

## **Ascension of the Lord (page 342)**

### **Sentence**

Go and make disciples of all nations, says the Lord; I am with you always, to the close of the age. *Matthew 28.19, 20*

### **Collect**

Almighty God,  
your Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven  
that he might rule over all things as Lord.  
Keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit  
and in the bond of his peace,  
and bring the whole of creation  
to worship at his feet,  
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

### **Readings**

Acts 1.1–11

Psalm 47

Ephesians 1.15–23

Luke 24.44–53

### **Prayer over the Gifts**

Eternal God,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ  
has promised to be with us until the end of time.  
Accept all we offer you this day,  
and renew us in his transfigured life;  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
*Preface of the Ascension*

### **Prayer after Communion**

Eternal Giver of love and power,  
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world  
to preach the gospel of his kingdom.  
Confirm us in this mission,  
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.