



# Ascension Lutheran Church

Reformation Sunday  
Sunday, October 25, 2020

## PRELUDE

### Ein feste Burg ist Unser Gott (Johann Pachelbel)

## WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

## MUSICAL OFFERING

### A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -  
2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -  
3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - ning to de -  
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who

to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and  
ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom  
vour us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they  
fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with

wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe  
God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?  
can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;  
weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,

has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might  
The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,  
in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;  
goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,

he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.  
God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.  
God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.  
they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

**PRAYER**

P: Let us pray... Holy God, we have come to worship you. We come as we are. We come with our fears. We come with our differences. We come in search of sanctuary. We come to hear your Word and eat at your table, so that we may go tell others of your love. Center us now for this time of worship – in faith, in love, and in the promise of your hope for all the world.

C: Amen.

**MUSICAL OFFERING****This is the Feast****ELW 4**

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

*All*

1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Tony

## MUSICAL OFFERING

Alleluia

ELW 4

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

## GOSPEL READING

John 8:31-36

P: The Holy Gospel for this day comes from the book of St. John, the 8th chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

Pastor Tony

## MUSICAL OFFERING

Amazing Grace (v. 1, 3, 4)

ELW 779

1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that  
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and  
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I  
4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his  
5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright  
saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but  
grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that  
have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me  
word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and  
shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found; was blind, but now I see.  
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!  
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.  
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.  
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

## PRAYERS

## MUSICAL OFFERING

Great Thanksgiving

ELW 4

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
 Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
 It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## MUSICAL OFFERING

Proper Preface

ELW 4

## MUSICAL OFFERING

Holy, Holy

ELW 4

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

P: In the night in which he was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

**DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION**

A reminder that when you receive the bread and wine you may say to yourself or others in your home: The body of Christ given for you. The blood of Christ shed for you.

**MUSICAL OFFERING****Lamb of God****ELW 4**

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

**MUSICAL OFFERING****Grace Alone****BENEDICTION**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## MUSICAL OFFERING

Beautiful Savior (v. 1, 4)

ELW 838

1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,  
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,  
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,  
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,

Son of God and Son of Man!  
 robed in flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;  
 bright the spar - kling stars on high;  
 Son of God and Son of Man!

Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,  
 Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,  
 Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er  
 Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,

light of my soul, my joy, my crown.  
 he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.  
 than all the an - gels in the sky.  
 now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

## SENDING

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

Tocatta on "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"*(setting by Michael Burkhardt)*

## FAITH CONNECTION

*Join us as we connect as a church in new ways.*

### Donate Today or Give By Text or Online

- Text 262-214-3681 with the amount to donate
- Online: [tinyurl.com/DonateAscension](https://tinyurl.com/DonateAscension)

### First Communion

We welcome the following students as they celebrate their first communion: Elsa and Linnea Kinunen.

### Confirmation

We welcome the following CRASH students who celebrate affirmation of their baptism at the 10:30 service: Isabella Grace Acompanado, Andrew Christian Marien, and Cienna Alexis Martin.

**Mid-Week Worship:** Wednesday, Oct. 21, at 6:30 p.m. Attendance is capped at 60. Please sign-up online at <https://tinyurl.com/mid-worship> or call the church office.

### Donate Today or Give By Text or Online

- There is an offering box at check-in.
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**The Food, Faith and Farming Network:** Ascension will be hosting farmers from the Food Faith and Farming Network in October at our outdoor worship services. Cash only.

**Annual Meeting Nov. 8:** Mark your calendar for the Annual Meeting on Nov. 8 at 10:30 a.m. We will vote on candidates for church council and the 2021 budget. There will be a budget information session on Nov. 1 at 10:30 a.m.

**Sunday Worship:** RSVP online for Sunday's outdoor worship. <https://tinyurl.com/ALCworshipRSVP>

### Prayers

Submit a prayer request online [ascensionelca.org/spiritual-growth/prayers](https://ascensionelca.org/spiritual-growth/prayers), by email to [Tamie@ascensionelca.org](mailto:Tamie@ascensionelca.org), or phone message to the church office. Please pray:

### Healing

- For Kenny Berdoll, hospitalized with kidney problems
- Doug Paczesny's parents, Gary and Carol, hospitalized due to Covid
- For Jim Druml's Uncle Tom, hospitalized with Covid and double pneumonia
- For Linda Druml's sister Lori, heart surgery
- For Erik Lewis, head injury

### God's Care

- For people affected by the fires in the west
- For all affected by the coronavirus: those who have died, who are hospitalized, who are sick and all caregivers and emergency personnel

### On our website, [ascensionelca.org](https://ascensionelca.org)

- Read the monthly newsletter. October 2020 has been published.
- Register online for next week's worship.
- Watch or re-watch worship and sermons.
- Read blog postings with updated information about church activities.
- Donate online to continue to help us pay the bills and support our ministries. Many of our community and international partners are hurting because of the ongoing pandemic.
- Submit a prayer request <https://ascensionelca.org/spiritual-growth/prayers>.

### Follow us on Facebook

- Join other Ascension friends on Sunday morning at 8 a.m. to watch worship together, virtually. Read the e-alert and announcements about activities.
- Read inspirational messages from Brenda Lytle, Director of Care Ministries, and Vicki Taylor, Director of Music.

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