



Ascension Lutheran Church

3rd Sunday After the Epiphany

Sunday, January 24, 2021

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Open the Eyes of My Heart (Paul Baloche)

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You, I want to see You

To see You high and lifted up
Shining in the light of Your glory
Lord, pour out Your power and love
As we sing "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Holy, Holy, Holy (3x)
I want to see you

ANNOUNCEMENTS/OFFERING/INTRODUCTION

MUSICAL OFFERING

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness (v. 1, 2)

ELW 843

1 Praise the One who breaks the dark-ness with a lib - er - at - ing light;
2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren with a strong yet gen - tle word;
3 Praise the one true love in - car - nate: Christ, who suf - fered in our place;

praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners, turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight.
praise the One who drove out de - mons with a pierc - ing, two - edged sword.
Je - sus died and rose for man - y that we may know God by grace.

Praise the One who preached the gos - pel, heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease,
Praise the One who brings cool wa - ter to the des - ert's burn - ing sand;
Let us sing for joy and glad - ness, see - ing what our God has done.

calm - ing storms and feed - ing thou - sands with the ver - y bread of peace.
from this well comes liv - ing wa - ter quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
Praise the one re - deem - ing glo - ry; praise the One who makes us one.

PRAYER

P: Let us pray... Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE**This is the Feast****ELW 4**

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



1 Wor-ty 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.



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.



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.

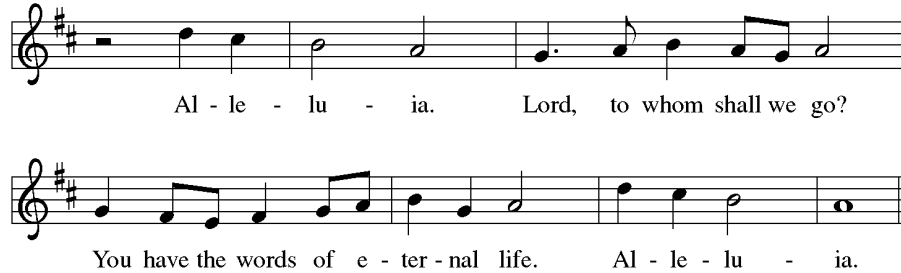
CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Tony

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

Mark 1:14-20

P: The Holy Gospel for this day comes from the book of St. Mark, the 1st chapter.

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

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news." As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

Pastor Tony

MUSICAL OFFERING

You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore (v. 1, 4)
Tú has venido a la orilla

ELW 817



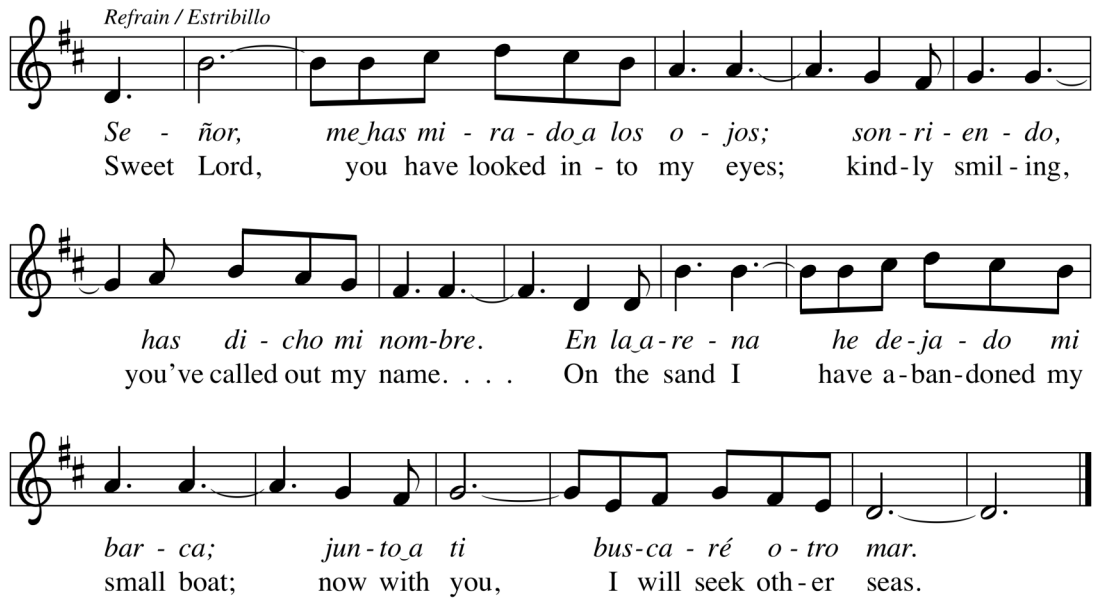
1 Tú has ve - ni - do a la o - ri - lla, no has bus -
1 You have come down to the lake - shore seek - ing
2 You know full well what I have, Lord: nei - ther
3 You need my hands, my ex - haus - tion, work - ing
4 You who have fished oth - er wa - ters; you, the

ca - do ni_a sa - bios ni_a ri - cos; tan só - lo
nei - ther the wise nor the wealth - y, but on - ly
trea - sure nor wea - pons for con - quest, just these my
love for the rest of the wea - ry— a love that's
long - ing of souls that are yearn - ing: O lov - ing

quie - res que yo te si - ga.
ask - ing for me to fol - low.
fish nets and will for work - ing.
will - ing to go on lov - ing.
Friend, you have come to call me.

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Refrain / Estribillo



Se - ñor, me_has mi - ra - do_a los o - jos; son - ri - en - do,
Sweet Lord, you have looked in - to my eyes; kind - ly smil - ing,

has di - cho mi nom-bre. En la_a-re - na he de-ja - do mi
you've called out my name. . . . On the sand I have a-ban-doned my

bar - ca; jun - to_a ti bus-ca - ré o - tro mar.
small boat; now with you, I will seek oth - er seas.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS & MUSIC

Please sing after each petition:

He Reigns (Furler/Taylor)
It's all God's children singing
Glory, glory, hallelujah He reigns
It's all God's children singing
Glory, glory, hallelujah He reigns

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 MEDITATION **For All That You Have Done** (*Rend Collective*)

Your grace will never be forgot
 Your mercy all my life
 Will be my soul's forever song
 My story and my light

In all our failures and regrets
 You've always led us home
 Redemption's arm has raised us up
 Our triumph in the storm (*Chorus*)

From mountaintop to valley low
 Through laughter and through tears
 Surely the goodness of my God
 Will follow all the years

In unity we'll stand as one
 As family we'll go
 Shoulder to shoulder, hand in hand
 Into the great unknown (*Chorus*)

**For all that You have done, for us
 For every battle won
 We'll raise a song to bless Your heart
 For all that You have done**

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.

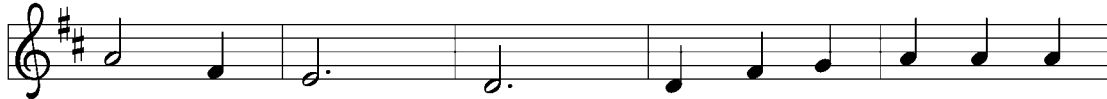
MUSICAL OFFERING

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light (*v. 1*)

ELW 815



1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to
 2 I want to see . . . the bright-ness of God. I want to
 3 I'm look - ing for . . . the com - ing of Christ. I want to



fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give
 look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ - teous-ness,
 be with Je - sus. When we have run . . . with



light to the world. The star of my life is Je - sus.
 shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.
 pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

Refrain



In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the



day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the



cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

SENDING

P: People of God. Be at peace. God is with you. Have courage. You are loved.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

March (G. F. Handel)

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

Offering Envelopes: 2021 offering envelopes are available for those who use them. You can pick them up at church Monday-Thursday, 10a-3p and Friday, 10a-noon. We will mail whatever isn't picked up.

New Year, New Commitment: If you haven't yet turned in your 2021 pledge card, you still have time. Please drop off or mail to church soon.

Earn Money for Ascension With AmazonSmile

If you shop using Amazon, you can use [AmazonSmile](#) and earn money for your charity of choice. Select Ascension Lutheran Church in Waukesha, WI as your charity of choice and 0.5% of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases will go to Ascension.

Do you have a set of Christmas lights that don't work? We will be collecting used Christmas lights until the end of the month. These lights are not bio-degradable and will not decompose in a landfill. Do your part to look after God's creation by putting them in the box at church for proper disposal.

Blessing Box: As we have more very cold days, please be aware of putting things in the box that might freeze and containers break. We check the box several times a week so that we can monitor that food is fresh and safe. On very cold days, dry products such as cereal, snacks, most canned goods are a good choice. Plastic or glass may break. Fresh produce or bakery will freeze quickly.

Hawthorne School Partnership: Thank you to those of you who have already donated jackets, boots and accessories for the Hawthorne School project. We will continue the collection until the end of January.

Blessing Bags: We are putting together another delivery of Blessing Bags for the homeless men that pick up their take-out breakfast and lunch at the Hope Center. The Blessing Bags will greatly help them have some of their very basic needs met. See the January newsletter for details on what to put in the bags.

Submit a Prayer

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

Healing

With Molly Niklasch and family for their cousin's 8-week-old baby, Teddy, hospitalized in the ICU

Comfort

For Barb and Steve VanVoorhis and family at the death of Barb's mother, Ruby Praeger, at age 103

Comfort

- For Harold and Arlene Kelsey and family at the death of Harold's brother, Richard Kelsey.
- For Carol Houston and family at the death of Jerry Van Kempen, Carol's brother.

On our website, ascensionelca.org

- Read the monthly newsletter.
- 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>.

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