



ASCENSION

Lutheran Church

19th Sunday After Pentecost
10:45 a.m., Sunday, October 16, 2022

Worship Leadership

Rev. Christian Marien, *Lead Pastor*
Rev. Anthony Acompanado, *Associate Pastor*
Ben Janzow, *Praise Band Leader*

Anna Marien, *acolyte*

Jay and Robin Gallo, *Altar Guild*

Mary Ellen Comp, Cathy Rapp, *communion*

Kathy Riutta, *communion*

Andrew Marien, *media*

Kathy and Mike Tomchek, *ushers*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONGS

In Your Light

In Your light, I find my strength
In Your truth, I overcome
In Your praise, I lose myself
For in Your love

In Your joy, I find my strength
In Your hope, I overcome
In Your grace, I lose myself
For in Your love (*Chorus*)

**You've turned my tears of sadness
Into such joy and gladness
My heart can't keep it in
I'm shouting, shouting (2x)**

Blessed Be Your Name

Blessed be Your name
In the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow
Blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out
I'll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in
Lord, still I will say

Blessed be Your name
When I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name

PRAYER

THIRD GRADE BIBLES

As part of Ascension's Stepping Stone classes, the following third graders are receiving their bibles today: Kai Acompanado, Collin Johnson, Howie Leatherwood, Joseph Leatherwood, Madeline Paczesny, Elsa Romme, Lorelei Rook, Henry Schultz, Brooklyn Stigler.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Edwin Aparicio, Pastoral Intern

SONG

Everything Glorious

The day is brighter here with You
The night is lighter than its hue
Would lead me to believe
Which leads me to believe

My eyes are small but they have seen
The beauty of enormous things
Which leads me to believe
There's light enough to see (*Chorus*)

**You make everything glorious
You make everything glorious
You make everything glorious
And I am Yours**

GOSPEL READING

Luke 18:1-8

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

Edwin Aparicio, Pastoral Intern

SONG

Who You Say I Am

Who am I that the highest King would welcome me
I was lost but He brought me in, oh His love for me

Who the Son sets free oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God, yes I am

Free at last, He has ransomed me, His grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me
Yes He died for me

**Who the Son sets free, oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God, yes I am
In my Father's house, there's a place for me
I'm a child of God, yes I am**

I am chosen, not forsaken, I am who You say I am
You are for me, not against me, I am who You say I am
I am chosen, not forsaken, I am who You say I am
You are for me, not against me
I am who You say I am, I am who You say I am (*Chorus*)

SERVICE OF BAPTISM FOR SKYE ANTHONY REMMEL

P: Praise and thanksgiving be to our God our maker, source of all blessing. In life, in death, we trust in God's most holy name. Here at this font, we hear God's promise. Here, in the presence of water and God's Word, moments of life-changing grace enter into the world.

C: Thanks be to God!

P: Hugo and Kayla, do you present Skye Anthony Rummel for the sacrament of holy baptism?
Sponsors: We/I do.

P: Viviana, called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have Skye Anthony baptized into Christ?

Parent: I do.

P: As you bring Skye Anthony to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with him among God's faithful people; bring him to worship to hear the Word of God and to share in holy communion; teach him the Lord's prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments; place in his hands the Bible, the living Word; and tend him in faith and prayer, so that he may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace. Do you promise to help Skye grow in the Christian faith and life?

C: We do.

P: Hugo and Kayla, God has led you to this moment. You have been invited to tend this miracle of life in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church. Do you promise to encourage Skye: to walk alongside him as he grows in his faith and in his relationship with God?

Sponsors: We do.

P: People of God, do you promise to support Skye and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

C: We do.

A: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church, the faith in which we baptize. Do you renounce the devil, his empty promises and all the powers of this world that rebel against God?

C: I do.

P: With all the faithful who came before us we dare to confess our faith. Do you believe in God the Father?

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

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C: 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.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: 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.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty, you are the river of life, you are the everlasting wellspring, you are the fire of rebirth. You are the fountain of resurrection. Praise to you for your saving waters: Noah and the animals survive the flood, Hagar discovers your well. The Israelites escape through the sea, and they drink from your gushing rock. Naaman washes his leprosy away, and the Samaritan woman will never be thirsty again. At this font, holy God, we praise you for the water of baptism and for your Word that saves us in this water. Breathe your Spirit into all who are gathered here and into all creation. Illumine our days. Enliven our bones. Dry our tears. Wash away the sin within us, and drown the evil around us. Satisfy all our thirst with your living water, Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

P: Skye Anthony Rimmel, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Please sing:

1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia;

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

P: Let us pray. God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks for freeing your sons and daughters from the power of sin and for raising them up to a new life through the gift of baptism. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon Skye Anthony: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence.

C: **Amen.**

P: Skye Anthony, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. Amen. Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify our God in heaven. Brothers and sisters, please welcome our new brother Skye into the family of God.

PRAYERS

Please say, "Hear our prayer" and sing the following refrain after each petition.

**Who the Son sets free, oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God, yes I am
In my Father's house, there's a place for me
I'm a child of God, yes I am**

God's Care: For the people of El Salvador and Central America following Hurricane Julia Jeane Bogle, help finding a dentist to care for multiple problems Karen Schmiechen for Beverly who lost her home in Hurricane Ian

Healing: Sheri's Great Aunt beginning chemo for cancer

SHARING OF THE PEACE

All are invited to greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace and may say "Peace be with you" or similar words. This may be shared in numerous ways as you feel most comfortable.

OFFERING

One day when Heaven
Was filled with His praises
One day when sin was as black as could be
Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin
Dwelt among men, my example is He
Word became flesh and
the light shined among us
His Glory revealed

**Living, He loved me, dying He saved me
Buried, He carried my sins far away
Rising, He justified freely forever
One day He's coming, Oh glorious day,
Oh glorious day**

Glorious Day

One day they led Him up Calvary's mountain
One day they nailed Him to die on a tree
Suffering anguish, despised and rejected
Bearing our sins, my redeemer is He
Hands that healed nations
Stretched out on a tree
He took the nails for me (*Chorus*)

One day the grave could
Conceal Him no longer
One day the stone rolled away from the door
Then He arose, over death He had conquered
Now He's ascended, my Lord ever more
Death could not hold Him, the grave could not
keep Him from rising again (*Chorus*)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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

All those believing in the saving power of Jesus Christ through the gift of his life, death, and resurrection are welcome to receive communion at this table of grace. We offer both bread and wine for holy communion. Gluten-free wafers are available.

SOLO

By Your Side

Ben Janzow

SONGS

One Thing Remains

Higher than the mountains that I face
Stronger than the power of the grave
Constant through the trial and the change
One thing remains, one thing remains

**Your love never fails, never gives up
Never runs out on me (3x)
Your love ...**

On and on and on and on it goes
It overwhelms and satisfies my soul
And I never, ever, have to be afraid
One thing remains, one thing remains (*Chorus*)

In death, in life, I'm confident and
Covered by the power of Your great love
My debt is paid
There's nothing that can separate
My heart from Your great love (*Chorus*)

Sanctuary

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary
Pure and holy, tried and true
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living
Sanctuary for You

COMMUNION BLESSING

BENEDICTION

SONG

Everyday

Every day, it's You I live for
Every day, I'll follow after You
Every day, I'll walk with You, my Lord

Every day, Lord
I'll learn to stand upon Your word
And I pray that
I might come to know You more
You will guide me in every single step I take
Every day I can be Your light unto the world

SENDING

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**



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Together We Rise

Children Are God's Gift: We are a noisy church. We happily celebrate the sounds of children during worship. You are welcome to step into the lobby with your child for a break if needed.

Pew Pads: Please fill-out the blue pew pad and pass it to your neighbor. You might make a new friend.

Donate Today: Donate using the Vanco Giving app, online at <http://tinyurl.com/DonateAscension>, or with the QR code to the right.

Baptized: We welcome Skye Anthony Remmel in baptism today. Skye's mom is Viviana Navarro. Sponsors are Hugo and Kayla Hernandez.

A Moment of Peace ~ A Pathways to Mental Wellness Event: You are invited to join our pastors at 6 p.m. today in a time of reflection, prayer, music, and scripture to honor a time of being present to yourself and to God as we seek to let go of the "noise" of this world that so often can cause, fear, anxiety, and feelings of being overwhelmed.



Book Study ~ The Book of Joy: There's still time to join Pastor Tony's six-week book study on Mondays at either 10 a.m. or 6:30 p.m. Register online, <https://tinyurl.com/ALCBookStudy> or contact Pastor Tony, tony@ascensionelca.org. The Book of Joy is the result of a seven-day meeting between His Holiness the Dalai Lama and Archbishop Desmond Tutu, two of the world's most influential spiritual leaders.

New Member Welcome: Are you a new member here at Ascension? Join us for a meet and greet (and snacks!) between services on Oct. 23 in West Hall. RSVP's appreciated to Amy Gilgenbach, admin@ascensionelca.org.

Covid-19 Notice: Please be aware that an attendee of the 8:30 worship service on Sunday, Oct. 9, tested positive for coronavirus on Tuesday, Oct. 11. While levels are low for covid-19 in our community, it remains a concern and we appreciate being informed of potential exposures.

Young at Heart (55+): Ascension's Young at Heart group for people 55 and older will meet Oct. 19 at noon for potluck and fellowship. Bring a dish to pass if you are able.

Tutoring: Tutoring is held on Saturdays at 10 a.m. We are in need of subs who can help occasionally. Contact Shirley Wehmeier, shwehmeier@gmail.com, if you can help.

Meru Coffee: Shop directly from the Meru cabinet. Payment envelopes are in the cabinet or you can pay online, <http://tinyurl.com/DonateAscension>. If your item isn't in stock, you can order using the form in the cabinet or by email to Amy Gilgenbach, admin@ascensionelca.org.

CALENDAR

See the full calendar and a list of events on our website, <https://ascensionelca.org/events/>.

Sun Oct 16
8:30am Worship S
 9:50am BLAST
10:45am Worship S
10:45am Adoración EH
 6pm Pathways to Mental Well-ness S
 7pm AA WH

Mon Oct 17
 10am The Book of Joy HR
 6:30pm AA Sm Group WH
 6:30pm AMEN YR
 6:30pm The Book of Joy HR

Tue Oct 18
7am AMEN zoom
 9:30am Women's Bible HR
 6pm GriefShare YR
 7pm Church council HR

Wed Oct 19
 12pm Young at Heart WH
 6pm Handbells S
 7pm AA WH
 7:30pm Choir S

Thu Oct 20
 9:30am TGIT HR
 10am Al Anon YR
 5pm Children's Choir
 6pm JOLT

Key	
EH	East Hall
HR	Hearth rm
MG	Memorial Gardens
S	Sanctuary
SG	Spiritual Growth
WH	West Hall
YR	Youth rm
<i>Italics Virtual or offsite</i>	

Fri Oct 21
 1pm Hansen Group HR

Sat Oct 22
 9am Jubilate Rehearsal S
 9am Tutoring