



ASCENSION

Lutheran Church

Reformation Sunday

8:30 a.m., Sunday, October 30, 2022

Worship Leadership Today

Rev. Christian Marien, *Lead Pastor*

Rev. Anthony Acompanado, *Associate Pastor*

Edwin Aparicio, *Pastoral Intern*

Vicki Taylor, *Director of Music Ministries*

Max Stigler, *acolyte*

Joan Birner, *Altar Guild*

Kathy Johnson, *choir accompanist*

Carol and Steve Spieker, *communion*

Kurt Werner, *media*

Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr, *ushers*

Paul Wehmeier, *usher*

PRELUDE

Es ist das Heil uns uns kommen her, *J.S. Bach*
(Salvation Unto Us Has Come)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Amazing Grace

Nick Stanich, bagpipes

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

ELW 504

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE

This Is the Feast of Victory

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Chris

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION God's Word Is Our Great Heritage

ELW 509

GOSPEL ANNOUNCEMENT

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 8th chapter.

C:



GOSPEL READING

John 8:31-32

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."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C:



SERMON

Pastor Chris

HYMN

Built on a Rock (v. 1-4)

ELW 652

RITE OF CONFIRMATION

PC: I present the following students who desire to make public affirmation of their baptism.

Mathias Amorsen
Elizabeth Diring
Joshua Garcia

Olin Kinunen
Dennis Leatherwood II
Lily Pociask

Jefferson Quintanilla
Audrey Sieg

EA: Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for these people, one with us in the body of Christ, who are making public affirmation of their baptism.

PT: Let us pray...Merciful God, we thank you for these sisters and brothers, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished them in the community of faith.

Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ. Amen.

PT: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Confirmands: I do.

PT: Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Confirmands: I do.

PT: Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Confirmands: I do.

EA: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

EA: 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.

EA: 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.

PC: You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

To live among God's faithful people,
To hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
To proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
To serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and
To strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Confirmands: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

Confirmands may kneel. The pastors pray for God's blessing over each confirmand.

PT: People of God, do you promise to support these sisters and brothers and pray for them in their life in Christ?

C: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

PT: Let us pray: Holy God, we give you thanks for this day. For the gift of faith from your open hands. For the hope you offer to each of us and to all the world. For the life, death, and resurrection of your Son, Jesus and the promise of eternal life. Stir up in your people the gift of your Holy Spirit; 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, both now and forever.

C: Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Thanksgiving: For the birth of Joanna Mae to Erik and Kelsey Lewis

Comfort: For the friends and family of Mary Knudten at her death this past week

Healing: For Karen Shulfer, upcoming surgery

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

Praise His Holy Name!

Ascension Choir

Keith Hampton

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OFFERTORY

Create in Me a Clean Heart

ELW 186

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE 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.

LAMB OF GOD

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HYMNS

What Feast of Love

ELW 487

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

ELW 517

The Church of Christ, in Every Age

ELW 729

COMMUNION BLESSING

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.

CLOSING HYMN

The Church's One Foundation (*v. 1, 2, 4, 5*)

ELW 654

SENDING

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott, *Johann Pachelbel*



ASCENSION

Together We Rise

Children Are God's Gift: We are a noisy church. We are happy to 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.

Sing for a Season: Too busy to commit to singing with the choir year round? You are invited to sing with the Ascension Choir for the Advent Concert worship on Saturday, Dec. 10, 6 p.m. and Sunday, Dec 11, 9:30 a.m. If you can attend at least five of the seven rehearsals listed (including Dec. 7) we would love to have you join us. Wednesdays, Nov. 2, 9, 16, 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 5, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.; Tuesdays, Nov. 22 & 29, 7:30 p.m.; Wednesday, Dec. 7, 7:30 p.m. To join, contact Vicki Taylor, vicki@ascensionelca.org.

JOLT & CRASH Calendar Reminders: JOLT next meets on Nov. 3. CRASH next meets on Nov. 6.

Do You Love Coffee? In anticipation of the new equipment for the Meru Coffee Ministry, we're looking for helpers on Sunday mornings to set-up, attend and take down the coffee stand. This would not be a whole morning commitment. If you're an 8:30 person, maybe you could set-up the stand and attend it after worship until the 10:45 person comes or maybe you're a 10:45 person and you can come early and attend the stand before worship. If you can help, please contact Al Gilgenbach, agilgenbach@gmail.com.

The Blessing Tree: The Friday Women's Nurture Group will again sponsor the Blessing Tree for those in need at Thanksgiving and Christmas. We will collect for the Burmese refugees, the Latino Ministry, and Be the Village. A tree is set up in the narthex with leaves that will tell you what is needed. The tree will come down on Friday, Nov. 18. Please turn in gift cards to the box in the office.

Hope Center Donations: This Halloween, Hope Center is asking partners to treat them to their most needed items: coffee, powdered cream, individual bags of chips, Nutri-grain bars, oatmeal, sugar, Hefty to-go trays.

To Donate



Or use the Vanco
Giving app or
online at
[tinyurl.com/
DonateAscension](https://tinyurl.com/DonateAscension)

Healing Hearts Benefit Concert: Healing Hearts, one of our community partners, is again one of the recipients of the benefit concert hosted by Waukesha Area Symphonic Band. This year’s concert is “Play Me a Story” and will be at Carroll’s Shattuck Auditorium tonight at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$15.

Blessing Box: With the onset of colder weather, please be cautious about donating items that are in containers that may burst if they freeze. Place non-perishable food items directly in the box or if the box is full, place them in the marked bins in the Donation Center. We are emphasizing basic food items to make a meal or parts of a meal and cannot accept fresh produce or bakery items.

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.

Newsletter: Read the November newsletter online, <https://ascensionelca.org/events/newsletter/>.

Annual Meeting: The Annual Meeting will be Sunday, Nov. 20, at 9:45 a.m. There will be a Budget Listening Session on Nov. 13, at 9:45 a.m.

Cloverleaf Preschool Is Hiring: Train and get certified while you work! Please call Emily at 262-544-1128 or 262-366-4225.

Upcoming Worship Support Schedule

See the complete schedule online <https://tinyurl.com/worshippupport>

Sunday, Nov. 6		
	8:30	10:45
Acolytes	Anna Marien, Maggie Miller	Colin Knopf, Shelby Leatherwood
Altar Guild	Gary Bauer	Cindy Finn, Kristine Wells
Communion	Jennifer Werner, Scot Werner	Mary Ellen Comp, Sue Mathews, Cathy Rapp
Media	Adam Boales	Joe Morgenroth
Ushers	Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr, Brian Novotny	Kathy and Mike Tomchek
Sunday, Nov. 13		
	8:30	10:45
Acolytes	Linnea Kinunen	Joshua Gunderson
Altar Guild	Marge Schroeder	Jane and Mark Collins
Communion	Marge Schroeder, Todd Schroeder	Jane Collins, Kathy Riutta, Mike Tomchek
Media	Brian Novotny	Cheryl Anspach
Ushers	Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr, Jerry Hansen	Mark Pichler

Calendar

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

Sun Oct 30 Reformation

8:30am Worship S

9:50am BLAST WH

10:45am Adoración EH

10:45am Worship S

7pm AA WH

Mon Oct 31

10am Book of Joy HR

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

6:30pm AMEN YR

6:30pm Book of Joy HR

Tue Nov 1

7am AMEN zoom

9:30am Women's Bible HR

6pm GriefShare YR

Wed Nov 2

11:30am Staff meeting HR

6pm Handbells S

7pm AA WH

7:30pm Choir S

Thu Nov 3

9am YAH - Fireside

9:30am TGIT HR

10am Al Anon YR

5pm Children's Choir

6pm JOLT

Fri Nov 4

1pm Hansen Group HR

Sat Nov 5

9am Choir S

12:30pm Handbells S

Sun Nov 6 All Saints

8:30am Worship S

9:30am Reception (Edwin)

9:50am BLAST

10:45am Adoración EH

10:45am Worship S

11:45am Latino Lunch WH

1pm Private Event S

6pm CRASH YR

7pm AA WH

Mon Nov 7

10am Book of Joy HR

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

6:30pm AMEN YR

6:30pm Book of Joy HR

7pm Jubilate Rehearsal S

Tue Nov 8

7am AMEN zoom

9:30am Women's Bible HR

6pm GriefShare YR

7pm Holloway Group HR

Wed Nov 9

6pm Handbells S

7pm AA WH

7:30pm Choir S

Thu Nov 10

10am Al Anon YR

5pm Children's Choir

6pm JOLT

Sat Nov 12

12:15pm Knit Wits HR

1pm Private Event EH, WH

Key

EH East Hall

HR Hearth rm

MG Mem. Gardens

S Sanctuary

WH West Hall

YR Youth Room

Italics Virtual or offsite

Sun Nov 13

8:30am Worship S

9:45am Budget Listening Session HR

9:45am Tanzania Interest Session S

9:50am BLAST WH

10:45am Adoración EH

10:45am Worship S

7pm AA WH

