



ASCENSION

Lutheran Church

Christ the King

8:30 a.m., Sunday, November 20, 2022

Worship Leadership Today

Rev. Christian Marien, *Lead Pastor*

Rev. Anthony Acompañado, *Associate Pastor*

Edwin Aparicio, *Pastoral Intern*

Vicki Taylor, *Director of Music Ministries*

Anabelle Rook, *acolyte*

Jim and Kathy Hahn, *Altar Guild*

Kathy Johnson, *choir accompanist*

Jim Hahn, Al Wollschlager, *communion*

Buck Houston, *media*

Marge and Todd Schroeder, *readers*

Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr, *ushers*

Jeff Rohrer, *usher*

PRELUDE

“Hallelujah” from Messiah

piano/organ duet

G.F. Handel, arr. E.J. Lorenz

Hallelujah! for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.

The kingdom of this world is become the Kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ;
and He shall reign forever and ever. Hallelujah!

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

Crown Him With Many Crowns (*vs. 1, 3, 4, 5*)

ELW 855

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: O God, our true life, to serve you is freedom, and to know you is unending joy. We worship
you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. Abide with us, reign in us,
and make this world into a fit habitation for your divine majesty, 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

FIRST READING

Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea; though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble with its tumult. There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken; God shall help it at the break of day. The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth melts away. The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold. Come now, regard the works of the LORD, what desolations God has brought upon the earth; behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world; who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire. "Be still, then, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth." The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

The King Shall Come
arr. Cathy Moglebust

Ascension Ringers
Dan Duffy, Kurt Werner
percussion

SECOND READING

Colossians 1:11-20

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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

GOSPEL ANNOUNCEMENT

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 23rd chapter.

C:



Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

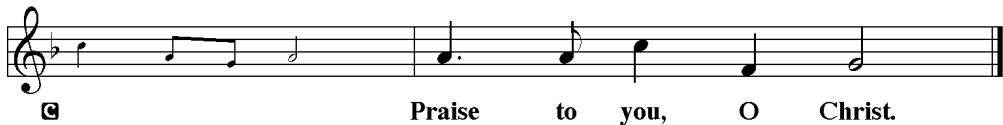
GOSPEL READING

Luke 23:33-43

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C:



Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Chris and Pastor Tony

HYMN

Lift High the Cross

ELW 660

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit, he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Healing: For Becky Murray
For Chuck Czaplewski, complication from a fall
For Limber Hernandez, surgery for diverticulitis
For Linda Druml's grandson, Cole, broken hand
For Linda Druml's granddaughter, Alyssa, preparing for 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

Revelation 19

Jeffrey LaValley, arr. Mark Hayes

Ascension Choir



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OFFERTORY

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

ELW 182

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

Beautiful Savior

ELW 838

At the Name of Jesus

ELW 416

The King Shall Come

ELW 260

COMMUNION BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

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

Jesus Shall Reign

ELW 434

SENDING

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

I Know That My Redeemer Lives, *Michael Burkhardt*



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.

Annual Meeting: Today is the annual meeting of the congregation at 9:45 a.m. between services. We will vote on the slate of new council members as well as pass the budget for 2023. Grab your coffee and get in the sanctuary for the meeting. See you there.

CRASH & JOLT meet today at 5:30 p.m. for their annual Shop and Serve event benefiting the Waukesha County Food Pantry. RSVP's to [PC, pc@ascensionelca.org](mailto:pc@ascensionelca.org), would be helpful but not necessary. We will need parent drivers for this event. Done by 7:30 p.m.

Welcome to Advent Soup Supper & Worship: Join us Wednesday, Nov. 30, for soup supper at 6 p.m. followed by worship at 6:45 p.m. If you can provide soup or bread, RSVP to Amy Gilgenbach, admin@ascensionelca.org.

Journey to Bethlehem: On Dec. 4, BLAST will have activities as they the Journey to Bethlehem. BLAST families, please bring canned food items for those in need this season as part of our journey. You will place your gift/donation near the manger just like the Wise Men did many years ago.

Acolytes Needed: We need acolytes for Christmas Eve at 3, 5, and 9 p.m. If you are planning on attending one of those services, please let the church office know which service your JOLT student can acolyte. We also need an acolyte for Christmas Day at 10 a.m.

Deck the Halls of Ascension: Help us prepare the church campus for the season of Advent and Christmas, on Saturday, Dec. 3, starting at 9:30 a.m.

Be the Village Toy Collection Last Day: Be the Village is sponsoring "ToyPalooza" to collect new toys for foster children through Nov. 20. Toys requested include quiet toddler or baby toys, preferably non-battery-operated; and darker skinned dolls/Barbies. These toys will be given to children for the holidays and distributed by Chosen.

Surviving the Holidays in Grief: Are you dreading the holidays, knowing that everything has changed? Our Surviving the Holidays Grief Share session on Tuesday, Nov. 22, from 6-8 p.m. may help address the many emotions you'll face during the holidays.

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Amen Christmas Gathering and Long Underwear Drive: Ascension men are invited to Tally's Tap, S31W24661 Sunset Dr., on Monday, Dec. 12, at 5:30 p.m. for Amen's Christmas gathering. Buffet dinner/cash bar. Please remember to bring your long underwear donation for Waukesha homeless shelters or leave it in the bin at church.

Mt. Meru Holiday Selections: Mt. Meru has developed a special blend, *Christmas Traditions*, that combines 100% Mt. Meru premium Arabica coffee beans, enhanced with the rich flavors of cinnamon, nutmeg, and vanilla, a hint of chocolate and other selected spices. The new blend is \$15 and is offered in regular coffee, whole bean or drip grind. Mt. Meru also offers a Holiday Sampler pack for \$18 featuring Butter Pecan, Chocolate Raspberry, Regular, French Vanilla, Hazelnut and Peaberry coffee. Email your orders to Amy Gilgenbach admin@ascensionelca.org or use the order form in the cabinet. Orders placed today will be available on Tuesday.

Hope Center Donations: Hope Center is collecting new baby items for new/expecting mothers. The most needed items baby wipes, newborn and size 1 diapers (although diapers of all sizes are welcomed), hooded towels, burp cloths, receiving blankets, nighttime baby wash, baby wash and shampoo, 0-3 and 3-6 months outfits for boys and girls. Donations are accepted weekdays from 8a-4p at the Hope Center or if you can't get it there, put your items in the Donation Center.

Blessing Box: 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.

The Food Pantry of Waukesha County: Did you know that the Food Pantry works to make sure that people with chronic medical conditions have the foods they need to stay healthy? To meet special dietary needs, the Food Pantry accepts foods that are: low sugar, gluten free, vegan and/or supplemental drinks like Boost or Ensure. Please remember the people who struggle with taking care of their special health needs. During this time of inflation, if you struggle to get the foods you need for a special diet, you may be eligible for help through the Food Pantry, waukeshafoodpantry.org.

Sing We Now of Christmas: The Jubilate Chorale presents *Sing We Now of Christmas* on Saturday, Dec. 3, 7:30 p.m., St. John's Lutheran Church, Brookfield, and on Sunday, Dec. 4, 4 p.m., at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Oconomowoc. Tickets are available from Ascension members Scott Greger and Vicki Taylor, or at jubilatechorale.org.

Upcoming Worship Support Schedule

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

Sunday, Nov. 27	8:30	10:45
Acolytes	Mikael Wagner	Cole Reinfeldt
Altar Guild	Julie Kinunen	Kathy and Mike Tomchek
Communion	Julie Kinunen, Paul Wehmeier	Mary Ellen Comp, Becky Hastings, Mike Tomchek
Media	Kurt Werner	Braedon Metzger
Ushers	Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr, Scot Werner	

Calendar

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

Sun Nov 20

Christ the King

8:30am Worship S

9:45am Annual Meeting

9:50am BLAST

10:45am Worship / Adoración S

5:30pm JOLT/CRASH Service
Project

7pm AA WH

Mon Nov 21

10am Book of Joy HR

1pm Knit Wits HR

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

6:30pm AMEN YR

6:30pm Book of Joy HR

Tue Nov 22

7am AMEN zoom

9:30am Women's Bible HR

6pm Handbells S

6pm Surviving the Holidays
YR

7pm Holloway Group HR

7:15pm Choir S

Wed Nov 23

7pm AA WH

Thu Nov 24 Thanksgiving

Church office closed

10am Al Anon YR

Fri Nov 25

Church office closed

Sun Nov 27

8:30am Worship S

9:50am BLAST

10:45am Adoración EH

10:45am Worship S

7pm AA WH

Mon Nov 28

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

6:30pm AMEN YR

6:30pm Mental Wellness HR

Tue Nov 29

7am AMEN zoom

9:30am Women's Bible HR

6pm Handbells S

7:15pm Choir S

Wed Nov 30

6pm Advent Soup Supper EH

6:45pm Advent Worship S

7pm AA WH

Thu Dec 1

9:30am TGIT HR

10am Al Anon YR

5pm Children's Choir

Fri Dec 2

1pm Hansen Group HR

Sat Dec 3

9:30am Deck the Halls

Sun Dec 4

8:30am Worship S

9:50am Journey to Bethlehem

10:45am Adoración EH

10:45am Worship S

5:30pm CRASH Christmas

7pm AA WH

Mon Dec 5

10am The Book of Joy HR

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

6:30pm AMEN YR

6:30pm The Book of Joy HR

Tue Dec 6

7am AMEN zoom

9:30am Women's Bible HR

6:30pm Mission Outreach

Key

EH	East Hall
HR	Hearth rm
MG	Mem. Gardens
S	Sanctuary
WH	West Hall
CR	Conference Room
<i>Italics</i>	<i>Virtual or offsite</i>

Wed Dec 7

11:30am Staff meeting

6pm Handbells S

7pm AA WH

7:30pm Choir S

Thu Dec 8

10am Al Anon YR

5pm Children's Choir

Sat Dec 10

6pm Advent Concert Worship

Sun Dec 11

9:30am Advent Concert Worship

10:30am Brunch

7pm AA WH

