



ASCENSION

Lutheran Church

Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

8:30 a.m., July 2, 2023

Worship Leadership

Rev. Edwin Aparicio, *Pastor*

Acolyte: Grace Paczesny

Altar Guild: Jim and Kathy Hahn

Communion: Sharon Coralline, Brian Novotny,
Beth and Tom Hoffmann

Media: Kurt Werner

Service Musician: Jennifer Hausen

Ushers: Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr,
Jeff Rohrer

PRELUDE

Two Settings by Michael Burkhardt

1. God Himself Is Present

2. Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN

As We Gather at Your Table

ELW 522

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, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Edwin

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. Matthew, the 10th chapter.

C:

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

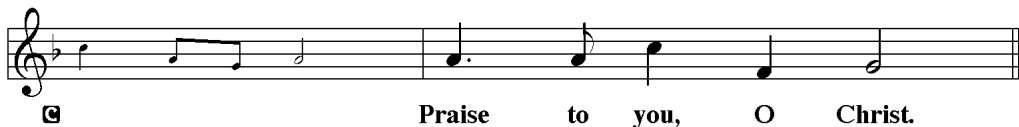
GOSPEL READING

Matthew 10:40-42

[Jesus said to the twelve:] “Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C:



SERMON

Pastor Edwin

HYMN

Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus

ELW 802

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Healing: Gil Wagner, surgery to amputate part of big toe due to infection
 Jo Buth, upcoming surgery
 Marvin Goetter, neuropathy and complications from ongoing cancer treatment
 With Linda Druml for Kathy, stage 4 colon cancer

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit
setting by Anne Krentz Organ

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OFFERTORY

Create in Me a Clean Heart

ELW 186

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 and white grape juice are available.

LAMB OF GOD

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HYMNS

Come, Let Us Eat

ELW 491

Around You, O Lord Jesus

ELW 468

Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life (*v. 1, 2, 5, 6*) **ELW 719**

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

To Be Your Presence

ELW 546

SENDING

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing, *Paul Manz*



ASCENSION

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.

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

Outdoor Worship & BBQ: At 10 a.m. we will worship in the Memorial Gardens (weather dependent). After the 10 a.m. worship service, we'll enjoy a lunch by AMEN and families of the Latino Ministry. Please bring a dish to pass. Please also consider coming at 9:30 a.m. and helping set-up for outdoor worship.

Mission Trips: The travelers to Tanzania left Thursday morning. Please keep them in your prayers as they travel. Make sure you follow Ascension's Facebook, [facebook.com/ascensionlutheran](https://www.facebook.com/ascensionlutheran), page for updates from the team.

We are still collecting donations for the Tanzania and El Salvador partnership trips. Please note "Partnership ES & T" on the check or mark El Salvador or Tanzania when donating online.

Church Office Hours: The church office will be closed Monday and Tuesday, July 3 and 4, for the holiday. For summer, church office hours are from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday.

July Newsletter: The July newsletter is online, <https://ascensionelca.org/events/newsletter/>.

Get Connected: Do you get Ascension's e-alerts? If not, sign-up and never miss another event or announcement. Sign-up online <https://tinyurl.com/ALCealert> or contact the church office.

Many Ways to Give Electronically



- 1) QR code
- 2) Use the *Vanco Giving app* on your smartphone
- 3) Online at tinyurl.com/DonateAscension
- 4) Via text to 262-214-3681 with the amount

Calendar next page.

Worship Support Schedule <https://tinyurl.com/worshippupport>

Sunday, Jul. 9	8:30	10:00
Acolytes	Maggie Miller	Ava Steinke
Altar Guild	Marge Schroeder	Mary Kolberg, Sue Mathews
Communion (2, 3)	Marge and Todd Schroeder, Scot and Jennifer Werner	Sue Mathews, Cathy Rapp, Mike Tomchek
Media	Adam Boales	Cheryl Anspach
Ushers	Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr, Al Woll-schlager	Mark Pichler
Sunday, July 16	8:30am	10am outdoor
Acolytes	Shelby Leatherwood	Cole Reinfeldt
Altar Guild	Gary Bauer	Lynn Cleppe, Mary Kolberg
Communion	Elaine Kilgore	Lynn Cleppe, Mary Kolberg, Melody and Paul Maass
Media	Brian Novotny	
Ushers	Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr, Scot Werner	

CALENDAR <https://ascensionelca.org/events/>

Sun Jul 2

8:30am Worship S

10am Outdoor Worship MG

11am BBQ CY

7pm AA WH

Mon Jul 3

Office closed

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

Tue Jul 4

Office closed

7am AMEN zoom

Wed Jul 5

7pm AA WH

Thu Jul 6

9:30am TGIT HR

10am Al Anon CR

Fri Jul 7

1pm Hansen Group HR

Sun Jul 9

8:30am Worship S

10am Worship (Bilingual) S

7pm AA WH

Mon Jul 3

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

Tanzania trip returns

Key

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

Are You Visiting?

Date of Visit: _____

Time of Worship: _____

Names: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

How did God invite you here?

How can we share the life of Ascension with you?

- Newsletter: e-mail or U.S. Mail
- BLAST (ages 3-5th gr.)
- JOLT (confirmation, 6-8th gr.)
- CRASH (high school)
- Bible study (small groups)
- Choirs or other music ministries
- Serving others (local/global options)
- Starting Point class (membership)

Please place in the offering plate.



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