



Lutheran Church

Christ the King

8:30 a.m., November 26, 2023

Worship Leadership

Rev. Christian Marien, *Lead Pastor*

Rev. Anthony Acompañado, *Pastor*

Rev. Edwin Aparicio, *Pastor*

Vicki Taylor, *Director of Music Ministries*

Acolyte: Mikael Wagner

Altar Guild: Julie Kinunen

Choir Accompanist: Kathy Johnson

Communion: Sharon Coralline, Julie Kinunen, Al Wollschlager

Greeters: Chris and Jimmy Loos

Media: Adam Boales

Ushers: Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr

PRELUDE

Rigaudon, *André Campra*

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

OPENING HYMN**Rise, Shine, You People!****ELW 665****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.**

KYRIE**p. 138****HYMN OF PRAISE****This Is the Feast****p. 140****PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: O God of power and might, your Son shows us the way of service, and in him we inherit the riches of your grace. Give us the wisdom to know what is right and the strength to serve the world you have made, 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 Tony****HYMN****Crown Him with Many Crowns (v. 1)****ELW 855****READING****Psalm 95:1-7**

Come, let us sing to the LORD; let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation. Let us come before God's presence with thanksgiving and raise a loud shout to the LORD with psalms. For you, LORD, are a great God, and a great ruler above all gods. In your hand are the caverns of the earth; the heights of the hills are also yours. The sea is yours, for you made it, and your hands have molded the dry land. Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the LORD our maker. For the LORD is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture and the sheep of God's hand.

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON**Pastor Tony****HYMN****Crown Him with Many Crowns (v. 2-5)****ELW 855****PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Comfort: For Donna Savin and friends of Nancy Link at her death on Monday

Healing: For Sheri Greger's cousin, Thomas, brain mass and upcoming surgery
For Sharon Coralline's brother-in-law, Jay, return of cancer

SHARING OF THE PEACE



Many Ways to Give Electronically

- *QR code*
- *VancoMobile Giving app on your smartphone*
- *Online at tinyurl.com/SupportALC*
- *Via text to 262-214-3681 with the amount*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Let us pray ... Merciful Father,

C: **We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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PROPER PREFACE

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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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

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

ELW 502

The King Shall Come

ELW 260

Jesus, Remember Me

ELW 616

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

Tocatta on "O Worship the King," *Michael Burkhardt*



Poinsettia Donations

If you would like to donate a poinsettia for our sanctuary this Christmas season (\$12 each), please fill-out this form and place in the offering plate along with your donation or return the form with your donation to the church office.

Thank you for helping make the sanctuary beautiful as we celebrate the birth of Jesus!

In celebration of the birth of Jesus

To the glory of God

Donated in honor of

Donated in memory of

Donor: _____

Donation amount \$ _____

Please return the completed form along with your check to the church office



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!

Baptized: We welcome James Theodore Cali in baptism today at the 10:45 a.m. service. James' parents are Ali and Ted Cali. Big brother is Connor. James' sponsors are Joel Cali and Becky Dickow.

Advent Worship: Join us on Wednesday, Nov. 29, at 6:30 p.m. for a beautiful worship service as we enter into the season of Advent and the patient expectation of the unfolding story of God's saving work among us in the coming of a Savior. We will gather around the music of Holden Evening Prayer.

BLAST Birthday Bags: We are collecting the following items to create birthday bags that will be donated to local shelters. There is a display in narthex. Please donate the following items through the month of November: birthday cake mix, frosting, sprinkles, candles, Happy Birthday cake plates, small birthday napkins. Questions: Please contact Karen Simington, Sheri Greger, or Pastor Tony.

CRASH Kringle Fundraiser: This Sunday is the last day to buy kringles to support CRASH students who will attend the 2024 Youth Gathering. Kringle pick-up will be Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 9 and 10, at the Advent Concert Worship. Contact Pastor Edwin with questions.

Journey to Bethlehem is an interactive and fun event celebrating Advent and the Christmas story for BLAST students and parents in grades 4k - 5th grade. A combination of story and craft activities immerses participants deeper into the Christmas story. Come experience the timeless story of the birth of Jesus on Sunday, Dec. 3, in between services.

Children's Christmas Program will take place on Sunday, Dec. 17, during the 10:45 a.m. worship service. It will be here before we know it! Children are encouraged to keep practicing the songs at home and are also invited to consider participating in a costumed role for the program. There are many roles available and even include some for children who would like to read part of the Christmas story. The sign-up can be found here <https://tinyurl.com/ChildrensProgram23>.

Waukesha Christmas Parade Dec. 3: It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas! You are needed to help share the Christmas story in a special way at the Waukesha Christmas parade. See the Sign-up Genius to volunteer <https://tinyurl.com/ALCparade2023>. We are also still collecting candy to hand out at the parade. If you are planning on walking in the parade, here are the line-up instructions, <https://ascensionelca.org/parade-instructions>.

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Christmas Angel Tree: Please choose an angel from the Angel Tree to help provide Christmas gifts to Waukesha County children and teens in need through the Christmas Clearing Council. The Christmas Clearing Council is requesting Target and Walmart gift cards of \$25. Gift cards (along with the ornament) should be placed in the marked box in the office by Dec. 7.

Meru Holiday Coffee: The Mt. Meru Coffee Project is once again offering their special holiday blend and gift packs for your family gatherings over the next two months. See the display in the cabinet or the Meru Coffee Ambassador to purchase or order.

Food Pantry and Blessing Box: Food donations are down, and the need is up. When you are shopping, please consider picking up a few things to help those in the community who are in need. Place directly in the Blessing Box or in the Donation Bins. Hunger has no season.

The Jubilate Chorale: The Jubilate Chorale presents “*Song in the Night, Christmas with Jubilate and Friends*” accompanied by harp, strings, and brass. Tickets available jubilatechorale.org or from Ascension members Scott Greger and Vicki Taylor. Performances are Saturday, Dec. 2, 7:30 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church, Brookfield, and Sunday, Dec. 3, 3 p.m. at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Wauwatosa.

Upcoming Worship Support Schedule		
<i>See the complete schedule online https://tinyurl.com/worshippupport</i>		
Dec. 3	8:30a	10:45a
Acolyte	Simon Williams	Marti Mustapich
Altar Guild	Gary Bauer	Cindy Finn, Kris Wells
Communion	Carol and Steve Spieker	Becky Hastings, Cathy Rapp
Greeters	Rick and Dianne Frowein	Mike and Joan Mikecz
Media	Buck Houston	Cheryl Anspach
Ushers	Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr, Scot Werner	Mark Pichler

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

Sun Nov 26 Christ the King

8:30am Worship S

9:45am BLAST

10:45am Misa EH

10:45am Worship S

7pm AA WH

Mon Nov 27

1pm Knit Wits WH

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

6:30pm Amen CR

Tue Nov 28

7am Amen zoom

9:30am Women's Bible CR

6pm GriefShare CR

6pm Handbells S

7pm Holloway group HR

7:15pm Adult Choir S

Wed Nov 29

**6:30pm Welcome to Advent
Worship**

7pm AA WH

Thu Nov 30

10am AI Anon CR

10:30am Link visitation

12pm Link funeral

1:15pm Link reception

5pm Children's Choir MR

Sat Dec 2

9:30am Deck the Halls

7:30pm Jubilate Concert

Sun Dec 3 Advent 1

8:30am Worship S

9:45am Journey to Bethlehem

10:45am Misa EH

10:45am Worship S

3pm Christmas parade

3pm Jubilate Concert

7pm AA WH

Mon Dec 4

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

6:30pm Amen CR

Tue Dec 5

7am Amen zoom

9:30am Women's Bible CR

6pm GriefShare CR

Wed Dec 6

6pm Handbells S

7pm AA WH

7:15pm Adult Choir S

Thu Dec 7

9:30am TGIT HR

10am AI Anon CR

12pm Staff Spanish class

1pm Hansen Group HR

5pm Children's Choir MR

Sat Dec 9

10am Annual Gingerbread

Build Habitat for Humanity

**6pm Advent Concert Wor-
ship S**

Sun Dec 10 Advent 2

9:30am Advent Concert

Worship S

10:30am Brunch K

10:45am Misa EH

4:45pm CRASH Progressive

Dinner K, WH

7pm AA WH

Mon Dec 11

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

6:30pm Amen CR

Tue Dec 12

**5:30am Anunciation/
Anunciación EH WH**

7am Amen zoom

9:30am Women's Bible CR

6pm GriefShare CR

7pm Holloway group HR

Wed Dec 13

11:30am Staff Meeting

7pm AA WH

Thu Dec 14

10am AI Anon CR

Sat Dec 16

9am Children's Rehearsal S

**6pm Las Posadas EH, WH,
parking lot**

Key

CR	Conference rm
EH	East Hall
HR	Hearth rm
LM	Latino Ministries
MG	Memorial Gardens
N	Narthex
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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