



Lutheran Church

Second Sunday After Epiphany

8:30 a.m., January 14, 2024

Worship Leadership

Rev. Christian Marien, *Lead Pastor*

Rev. Anthony Acompanado, *Pastor*

Rev. Edwin Aparicio, *Pastor*

Vicki Taylor, *Director of Music Ministries*

Acolyte: Zach Jahner

Altar Guild: Marge Schroeder

Choir Accompanist: Kathy Johnson

Communion: Marge and Todd Schroeder

Greeters: Jim Koester, Jennifer Werner

Media: Todd Schroeder

Ushers: Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr

Usher: Jeff Rohrer

PRELUDE

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness, *Paul Manz*

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

ELW 843

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

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HYMN OF PRAISE

This Is the Feast

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits you give. May we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Chris

FIRST READING

1 Samuel 3:1-10

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL ANNOUNCEMENT

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 1st chapter.

C:



GOSPEL READING

John 1:43-51

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he

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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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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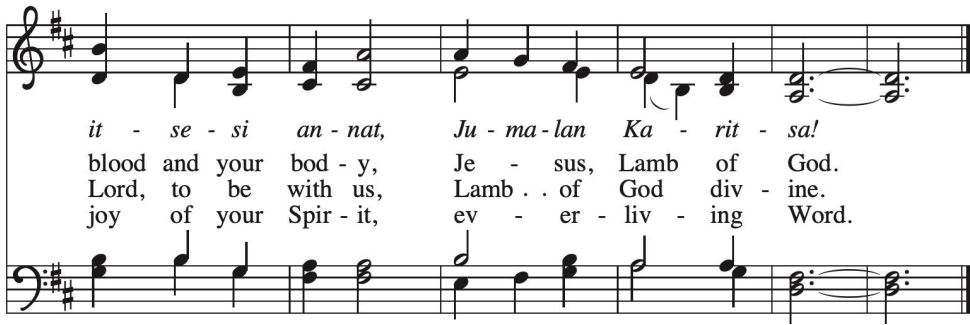
HYMN

In This Feast of Love

The musical score is written for three parts: Soprano (1), Alto (2), and Tenor/Bass (3). It is in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a mix of quarter and half notes. The lyrics are in German and English. The first system covers the first two lines of the hymn, and the second system covers the last two lines. The bass line provides a simple harmonic accompaniment with block chords and moving lines.

Täs - sä pöy - däs - sä, täs - sä
1 In this feast of love, in this
2 In this bread and wine, in this
3 Grant us peace, O Lord, grant us

pöy - däs - sä syn - ti - sil - le
feast of love, Lord, you share your
bread and wine, you have prom - ised,
peace, O Lord; fill us with the



it - se - si an - nat, Ju - ma - lan Ka - rit - sa!
 blood and your bod - y, Je - sus, Lamb of God.
 Lord, to be with us, Lamb . . of God div - ine.
 joy of your Spir - it, ev - er - liv - ing Word.

HYMNS

Come, Let Us Eat

ELW 491

O Jesus, I Have Promised

ELW 810

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

Send Me, Lord

ELW 809

SENDING

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise, Johann Pachelbel



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!

CRASH Cook-Off: CRASH students need your help to raise funds to attend the 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans this summer. We will be holding a Soup and Chili cook-off on Saturday, Jan. 27, 5 to 7:30 p.m. Buy your tickets or register your team this Sunday at the registration table after services. Contact Pastor Edwin, edwin@ascensionelca.org, with questions.

Adult Ed --The Chosen Video Series: Join us in watching this compelling video series beginning Monday, Jan. 29, 10 a.m. or 6 p.m., led by Pastor Chris and Pastor Tony. Each week we will begin with a brief introduction, watch the video, and make connections to the Biblical story along with discussing some reflection questions. Sign-up at the Welcome Center.

El Salvador Trip Meeting: Ascension is returning to El Salvador this summer. We have our first informational meeting today following late church. Contact Sarah Wehmeier Aparicio, sarah@ascensionelca.org, with any questions.

Community Outreach Meeting: The Community Outreach Committee has been rescheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 16, at 6:30 p.m. to plan outreach activities for 2024. If you have an interest in outreach, please join us. New ideas are always welcome. Contact Shirley Wehmeier, shwehmeier@gmail.com, or just show up for the meeting.

No Regrets 2024: Ascension men are invited to the men's No Regrets conference livestreamed at Ascension on Feb. 3. Register online, tinyurl.com/NoRegretsAMEN.

GriefShare Begins Feb. 6: GriefShare is a 12-week program led by Pastor Tony and meets on Tuesday evenings from 6-8 p.m. beginning February 6 and concluding April 30. Through the use of video teaching and small group conversation, we seek to provide a safe and supportive space to provide care and encouragement that can be crucial to a person in grief. Sign-up online <https://tinyurl.com/GriefAscension> or by call to the church office.

GriefShare Support: We're looking for volunteers to provide support with snacks and donations for GriefShare on Tuesday nights beginning Feb. 6. Maybe you can help? Please see the Sign-Up Genius <http://tinyurl.com/GriefSupport24> for dates and suggestions. Contact Pastor Tony, tony@ascensionelca.org, with questions.

Support DACA Recipients: The ELCA's Lutheran Office for Public Policy in Wisconsin invites you to visit Madison on Thursday, Jan. 25, to learn about Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) and four bills to help DACA recipients, and meet with State Senators and Assembly Representatives. More information and registration online <https://www.loppw.org/events/>.

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

Sun Jan 14

8:30am Worship S
 9:45am BLAST
10:45am Misa EH
10:45am Worship S
 12pm El Salvador Meeting
 12pm Mutual Ministry HR
 7pm AA WH

Mon Jan 15

1pm Knit Wits WH
 6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

Tue Jan 16

7am AMEN zoom
 9:30am Women's Bible CR
 6:30pm Comm. Outreach HR

Wed Jan 17

12pm Young at Heart WH
 6pm Handbells S
 7pm AA WH
 7:15pm Adult Choir S

Thu Jan 18

9:30am TGIT HR
 10am AI Anon CR
 1pm Hansen Group CR
 5pm Children's Choir MR

Sat Jan 20

10:30am Knit Wits WH, K

Sun Jan 21

8:30am Worship S
 9:45am BLAST
10:45am Misa EH
10:45am Worship S
 7pm AA WH

Mon Jan 22

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH
 7pm Jubilate S

Tue Jan 23

7am AMEN zoom
 9:30am Women's Bible CR
 7pm Church Council HR
 7pm Holloway group CR

Wed Jan 24

1pm Bunco WH
 6pm Handbells S
 7pm AA WH
 7:15pm Adult Choir S

Thu Jan 25

10am AI Anon CR
 11am Spanish class HR
 5pm Children's Choir MR
 6pm JOLT EH

Sat Jan 27

5pm CRASH Fundraiser

<u>Key</u>	
CR	Conference rm
EH	East Hall
HR	Hearth rm
N	Narthex
S	Sanctuary
WH	West Hall
<i>Italics</i>	<i>Virtual or offsite</i>

Sun Jan 28

8:30am Worship S
 9:45am BLAST
10:45am Misa EH
10:45am Worship S
 7pm AA WH

Mon Jan 29

10am Adult Ed HR
 6pm Adult Ed HR
 6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

Tue Jan 30

7am AMEN zoom
 9:30am Women's Bible CR

Wed Jan 31

6pm Handbells S
 7pm AA WH
 7:15pm Adult Choir S

Upcoming Worship Support Schedule

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

Jan. 21	8:30a	10:45a
Acolyte	Zach Jahner	Ava Steinke
Altar Guild	Jim and Chris Loos	Jay and Robin Gallo
Communion	Carol and Steve Spieker	Melody and Paul Maass
Greeters	Ev and Kay Stone	Duane and Kelly Schoon
Media	Kurt Werner	Andrew Marien
Ushers	Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr, Scot Werner	<i>Needed</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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