



**Second Sunday of Easter**  
10:45 a.m., Sunday, April 7, 2024

**Worship Leadership**

Rev. Christian Marien, *Lead Pastor*  
Rev. Anthony Acompanado, *Pastor*  
Ben Janzow, *Praise Band Leader*

**Acolyte:** Grace Paczesny

**Altar Guild:** Cindy Finn, Kris Wells

**Communion:** Lynn Cleppe, Cathy Rapp

**Greeters:** Brian and Sarah Pehl

**Media:** Andrew Marien

**WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SONGS**

Come let us worship our King  
Come let us bow at His feet  
He has done great things  
See what our Savior has done  
See how His love overcomes  
He has done great things  
He has done great things

**Oh, hero of Heaven, You conquered the grave**  
**You free every captive and break every chain**  
**Oh God, You have done great things**  
**We dance in Your freedom, awake and alive**  
**Oh Jesus, our Savior, Your name lifted high**  
**Oh God, You have done great things**

**Great Things**

You've been faithful through every storm  
You'll be faithful forevermore  
You have done great things  
And I know You will do it again  
For Your promise is "Yes and amen"  
You will do great things  
God, You do great things (*Chorus*)

Hallelujah God, above it all  
Hallelujah God, unshakable  
Hallelujah, You have done great things  
Hallelujah God, above it all  
Hallelujah God, unshakable  
Hallelujah, You have done great things  
You've done great things (*Chorus*)

**Friend of God**

Who am I that You are mindful of me  
That You hear me, when I call  
Is it true that You are thinking of me  
How You love me, it's amazing

**I am a friend of God**  
**I am a friend of God**  
**I am a friend of God**  
**He calls me friend**

## PRAYER

## CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Chris

## SONG

### Mighty to Save

Everyone needs compassion  
Love that's never failing  
Let mercy fall on me  
Everyone needs forgiveness  
The kindness of a savior  
The hope of nations

So take me as You find me  
All my fears and failures  
Fill my life again  
I give my life to follow  
Everything I believe in  
Now I surrender (*Chorus*)

**Savior, he can move the mountains**  
**Our God is mighty to save**  
**He is mighty to save**  
**Forever, author of salvation**  
**He rose and conquered the grave**  
**Jesus conquered the grave**

## GOSPEL READING

**John 20:19-31**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

Pastor Chris

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## SONG

### Better Is One Day

**Better is one day in Your courts  
Better is one day in Your house  
Better is one day in Your courts  
Than thousands elsewhere (*Repeat*)**

How lovely is Your dwelling place  
Oh Lord almighty  
For my soul longs and even faints for You  
Here my heart is satisfied  
Within Your presence  
I see beneath the shadow of Your wings

## PRAYERS

*Please say, "Hear our prayer" and sing the above refrain after each petition.*

**Comfort:** For Jim Hahn and the family and friends of Kathy Hahn at her death

**Healing:** For Natalie Mustapich, upcoming surgery  
For Linda Elder's son-in-law Mike, re-hospitalized due to infection  
With Peter Passante for Renata and Mark

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

### OFFERING

### Way Maker

You are here, moving in our midst  
I worship You, I worship You  
You are here, working in this place  
I worship You, I worship You  
You are here, moving in our midst  
I worship You, I worship You  
You are here, working in this place  
I worship You, I worship You

**You are Way Maker  
Miracle worker, promise keeper  
Light in the darkness  
My God, that is who You are  
You are Way Maker  
Miracle worker, promise keeper  
Light in the darkness  
My God, that is who You are**

You are here, touching every heart  
I worship You, I worship You  
You are here, healing every heart  
I worship You, I worship You  
You are here, turning lives around  
I worship You, I worship You  
You are here, mending every heart  
I worship You, I worship You (*Chorus*)

Even when I don't see it, You're working  
Even when I don't feel it, You're working  
You never stop, You never stop working  
You never stop, You never stop working  
And even when I don't see it, You're working  
Even when I don't feel it, You're working  
You never stop, You never stop working  
You never stop, You never stop working  
(*Chorus*)

### Many Ways to Give

- *QR code*
- *Vanco Giving app*
- *Online at [tinyurl.com/SupportALC](http://tinyurl.com/SupportALC)*
- *Via text to 262-214-3681*



## 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 grape juice are available.

### SOLO

#### My Jesus

### SONGS

#### Meet With Me

I'm here to meet with You  
Come and meet with me  
I'm here to find You  
Reveal yourself to me

As I wait, You make me strong  
As I long, draw me to Your arms  
As I stand, and sing Your praise  
You come, You come and You fill this place

#### He Reigns

It's the song of the redeemed  
Rising from the African plain  
It's the song of the forgiven  
Drowning out the Amazon rain  
The song of Asian believers  
filled with God's holy fire  
It's every tribe, every tongue, every nation  
A love song born of a grateful choir

**It's all God's children singing  
Glory, glory, hallelujah He reigns  
It's all God's children singing  
Glory, glory, hallelujah He reigns**

Let it rise above the four winds  
Caught up in the heavenly sound  
Let praises echo from the towers of cathedrals  
To the faithful gathered underground  
**(Chorus)**

## COMMUNION BLESSING

## BENEDICTION

## SONG

### Make a Difference

Leader:

*You gave Your life to make a difference*

*You gave Your life to make a change*

*You welcomed all to Your table*

*You're telling us to do the same*

**I want my life to make a difference**

**I want my life to make a change**

**I want my life to do some good here**

**I want my life to make a change**

Working side by side, no out or inside

Together we can make that change

With a few or many, with a lot or not any

Together we can make that change **(Chorus)**

Crossing the great divide

Joy and peace will abide

Together we can make that change

Jesus is our peace all fighting will cease

Together we can make that change **(Chorus)**

## SENDING

P: Christ is risen!

**C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

**C: Thanks be to God. Amen.**



**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!

**El Salvador Delegation Orientation Today:** There will be an orientation meeting today at 9:45 a.m. in the Hearth Room for the people who are traveling to El Salvador this summer. For more information, please contact Sarah Aparicio, [sarah@ascensionleca.org](mailto:sarah@ascensionleca.org).

**CRASH Youth Gathering Meeting Today:** Students who are going to the Youth Gathering will meet today at 12 p.m. to prepare fundraising materials. Lunch will be provided.

**Children's Choir:** The children's choir will move to Wednesday nights for the last three rehearsals. In April, they will meet Wednesdays, April 10, April 17 and April 24, from 5:15-5:50 p.m. Please note the time and day change.

**BLAST First Responder Sunday:** BLAST families are invited to welcome the First Responders during BLAST on Sunday, April 21, at 9:50 a.m. We will have a light breakfast and an opportunity to explore an emergency vehicle. Please see the Sign-Up Genius, <https://tinyurl.com/BLAST1stResp>, to help with breakfast.

**College Care:** It's finals season and many college students are struggling through their year-end studies. Enter the college care package all in the hope of making life a bit more enjoyable for them. Due to the quick turn-around time, we are not requesting donations or packing help this time but would like you to consider making a monetary donation to help offset the cost of items and shipping. If you have a student in college, send names/addresses to Pastor Tony, [tony@ascensionleca.org](mailto:tony@ascensionleca.org), or fill-out this online form, <https://tinyurl.com/CollegeCareALC>, so we can send them a care package before this school year ends. *Deadline Sunday, April 21.*

**Ministry Fair:** Wondering about Ascension's ministries and how you can get involved? Mark your calendar for April 14 after each service for the Ministry Fair. There will be a time to get to know other people and fun ways to learn about all the various ministries.

**GriefShare Support:** We're still looking for volunteers to provide support with snacks and donations for GriefShare on Tuesday nights. Please see the Sign-Up Genius <http://tinyurl.com/GriefSupport24> for dates and suggestions. Contact Pastor Tony, [tony@ascensionleca.org](mailto:tony@ascensionleca.org), with questions.

**Young at Heart Trip Sign-Up:** Sign-up today before or after worship for the Young at Heart trip on June 27 to Lake Geneva to ride on the U.S. Mailboat Tour. The trip is \$90 per person and includes the bus fare, tour and lunch.

**New Member Class:** Interested in learning more about Ascension or considering joining? Attend one of our new member classes between services on Sunday, April 21 or 28, and get the scoop. Sign-up online, <http://tinyurl.com/AscensionNewMembers>.

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

## Sun Apr 7

**8:30am Worship S**

9:45am BLAST

9:45am El Salvador Mtg EH

**10:45am Misa EH**

**10:45am Worship S**

12pm CRASH WH/kit

7pm AA WH

## Mon Apr 8

6pm Amen CR

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

7pm Jubilate S

## Tue Apr 9

*7am AMEN zoom*

9:30am Women's Bible CR

6pm GriefShare CR

7pm Holloway group HR

## Wed Apr 10

*12:30pm Staff Meeting*

5:15pm Children's Choir MR

6pm Handbells S

7pm AA WH

7:15pm Adult Choir S

## Thu Apr 11

10am Al Anon CR

6pm JOLT EH

## Sat Apr 13

1pm Knit Wits HR

## Sun Apr 14

**8:30am Worship S**

9:50am BLAST

9:45am Ministry Fair

**10:45am Bilingual Worship S**

11:45am Private event WH

7pm AA WH

## Mon Apr 15

10:30am Fire inspection

6pm Amen CR

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

7pm Jubilate S

## Tue Apr 16

*7am AMEN zoom*

9:30am Women's Bible CR

7pm Church council HR

## Wed Apr 17

12pm Young at Heart WH

5:15pm Children's Choir MR

6pm Handbells S

7pm AA WH

7:15pm Adult Choir S

## Thu Apr 18

9:30am TGIT HR

10am Al Anon CR

1pm Hansen Group CR

### Key

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

## Sat Apr 20

*9am SOPHIA Brunch*

12pm Hahn Visitation

**2pm Hahn Funeral**

3pm Hahn Reception

*6pm Healing Hearts Gala*

## Sun Apr 21

**8:30am Worship S**

9:45am BLAST First Responders

9:45am New Member class HR

**10:45am Misa EH**

**10:45am Worship S**

6pm CRASH

7pm AA WH

## Mon Apr 22

6pm Amen CR

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

## WORSHIP SUPPORT

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

**Sunday, Apr. 14**

**8:30**

**10:45 Bilingual**

	8:30	10:45 Bilingual
<b>Acolyte</b>	<i>Needed</i>	<i>Needed</i>
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Marge Schroeder	Mary Kolberg, Sue Mathews
<b>Communion</b>	Marge Schroeder, Jennifer Werner	Mary Kolberg, Sue Mathews
<b>Greeters</b>	Bob and Jan Zastrow	Mary Ellen Comp, Bonnie Siegel
<b>Media</b>	Todd Schroeder	Cheryl Anspach
<b>Ushers</b>	Bill Klippel, Al Wollschlager	Mike Rapp

## Are You Visiting?

Date of Visit: \_\_\_\_\_

Time of Worship: \_\_\_\_\_

Names: \_\_\_\_\_

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### ***How did God invite you here?***

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### ***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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