



**Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
10:45 a.m., Sunday, April 28, 2024

**Worship Leadership**

Rev. Christian Marien, *Lead Pastor*

Rev. Anthony Acompanado, *Pastor*

Ben Janzow, *Praise Band Leader*

**Acolyte:** Bly Dringenburg

**Altar Guild:** Kathy and Mike Tomchek

**Choir Accompanist:** Kathy Johnson

**Communion:** Becky Hastings, Cathy Rapp

**Greeters:** Mary Kolberg, Sue Mathews

**Media:** Cheryl Anspach

**Usher:** Mark Pichler

**WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SONGS**

**His Love Endures Forever**

Give thanks to the Lord, our God and King

His love endures forever

For He is good, He is above all things

His love endures forever

Sing praise, sing praise

From the rising to the setting sun

His love endures forever

By the grace of God, we will carry on

His love endures forever

Sing praise, sing praise

Forever God is faithful

Forever God is strong

Forever God is with us, forever, forever

---

**ELW liturgy** used by permission Sundays and Seasons license SAS02813. **His Love Endures Forever:** Chris Tomlin © 2001 sixsteps Music; worshipttogether.com songs. **This Is Amazing Grace:** Jeremy Riddle | Josh Farro | Phil Wickham © 2012 Phil Wickham Music; Seems Like Music; Sing My Songs; WC Music Corp.; Bethel Music Publishing. **Hallelujah:** Brenton Brown | Brian Doerksen © 2000 Vineyard Songs (UK/Eire) (Vineyard Music UK). **Who You Say I Am:** Ben Fielding | Reuben Morgan © 2017 Hillsong Music Publishing Australia..CCLI License # 90978.

## SONG

### This Is Amazing Grace

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness  
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger  
The King of Glory, the King above all kings  
Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder  
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder  
The King of Glory, the King above all kings

**This is amazing grace  
This is unfailing love  
That You would take my place  
That You would bear my cross  
You laid down Your life  
That I would be set free  
Oh, Jesus, I sing for  
All that You've done for me**

Who brings our chaos back into order  
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter  
The King of Glory, the King of Glory  
Who rules the nations with truth and justice  
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance  
The King of Glory, the King above all kings  
*(Chorus)*

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave  
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave  
*(Chorus)*

## ANTHEM

**Jesus in the Morning**  
*African American Folk Song*

**Children's Choir**

## PRAYER

### CHILDREN'S TIME

**Pastor Chris**

### FIRST READING

**Acts 8:26-40**

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth." The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

P: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**SONG**

**Hallelujah**

**Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah**  
**Your love makes me sing**  
**Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah**  
**Your love makes me sing**

Your love is amazing, steady and unchanging  
Your love is a mountain, firm beneath my feet  
Your love is a mystery, how You gently lift me  
When I am surrounded, Your love carries me (*Chorus*)

Your love is surprising, I can feel it rising  
All the joy that's growing deep inside of me  
Every time I see You, all Your goodness shines through  
and I can feel this God song rising up in me (*Chorus*)

**GOSPEL READING**

**John 15:1-8**

[Jesus said:] "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**SERMON**

**Pastor Chris**

**SONG**

**Who You Say I Am**

Who am I that the highest King  
Would welcome me  
I was lost but He brought me in  
Oh His love for me

Who the Son sets free oh is free indeed  
I'm a child of God, yes I am

Free at last, He has ransomed me  
His grace runs deep  
While I was a slave to sin  
Jesus died for me  
Yes He died for me

**Who the Son sets free oh is free indeed**  
**I'm a child of God, yes I am**  
**In my Father's house there's a place for me**  
**I'm a child of God, yes I am**

I am chosen, not forsaken  
I am who You say I am  
You are for me, not against me  
I am who You say I am  
I am chosen, not forsaken  
I am who You say I am  
You are for me, not against me  
I am who You say I am  
I am who You say I am (*Chorus*)

## PRAYERS

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

**Healing:** Deb Izu, surgery on April 30  
Jerry Waltman, knee replacement on April 29

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

### OFFERING

#### One Thing Remains

Higher than the mountains that I face  
Stronger than the power of the grave  
Constant through the trial and the change  
One thing remains, one thing remains

**Your love never fails, never gives up  
Never runs out on me (3x)  
Your love ...**

On and on and on and on it goes  
It overwhelms and satisfies my soul  
And I never, ever, have to be afraid  
One thing remains, one thing remains  
**(Chorus)**

In death, in life, I'm confident and  
Covered by the power of Your great love  
My debt is paid, there's nothing that can separate  
My heart from Your great love  
**(Chorus)**

#### Many Ways to Give



- 1) *QR code*
- 2) *Vanco Giving app*
- 3) *Online at [ti-nyurl.com/SupportALC](https://ti.nyurl.com/SupportALC)*
- 4) *Via text to 262-214-3681 with the amount*

## 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.

---

**One Thing Remains:** Matt Redman © 1998 Thankyou Music. **Hosanna:** Brooke Ligertwood © 2006 Hillsong Music Publishing Australia. **Forever Reign:** Jason Ingram | Reuben Morgan © 2009 Hillsong Music Publishing Australia, So Essential Tunes, Spirit Nashville Three, Spirit Nashville Three. **Sav Say:** Chris Tomlin | Christy Nockels | Kristian Stanfill © 2010 sixsteps Music Sweater Weather Music Vamos Publishing worshiptogether.com songs. All rights reserved. CCLI License # 90978.

**SOLO**

**Living Hope**

**SONGS**

**Hosanna**

I see the King of glory coming on the clouds with fire  
The whole earth shakes, the whole earth shakes  
I see His love and mercy washing over all our sin  
The people sing, the people sing

**Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest  
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest**

I see a generation rising up to take their place  
With selfless faith, with selfless faith  
I see a new revival stirring as we pray and seek  
We're on our knees, we're on our knees (*Chorus*)

**Forever Reign**

You are good, You are good when there's nothing good in me  
You are love, You are love on display for all to see  
You are light, You are light when the darkness closes in  
You are hope, You are hope, You have covered all my sin

**Oh, I'm running to Your arms, I'm running to Your arms  
The riches of Your love will always be enough  
Nothing compares to Your embrace  
Light of the world forever reign**

You are peace, You are peace when my fear is crippling  
You are true, You are true even in my wandering  
You are joy, You are joy, You're the reason that I sing  
You are life, You are life, in You death has lost its sting (*Chorus*)

**COMMUNION BLESSING**

**BENEDICTION**

**SONG**

**Say Say**

Say, say, say you believe it	I believe (echo)
Sing for the whole world to hear it	Your kingdom come (echo)
We know and we declare that	Son of God (echo)
Jesus is King (2x)	King of love (echo) (2x)

**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!

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

**Pupusa Pick-Up:** Pupusa pick-up will be between 3:30 and 5 p.m. today. Look for an email (or text) from Pastor Edwin for your specific time. Thank you to all who participated in this fundraiser!

**CRASH** students who are going to the Youth Gathering will meet at 2 p.m. today to prepare the pupusas.

**JOLT** will meet Thursday, May 2, at 6 p.m.

**Property Day May 4:** May the 4th be with you as we get together on Saturday, May 4, starting at 8 a.m. to clean-up our church and property for spring. Bring your tools, gloves and helpful hearts!

**GriefShare:** We're still looking for volunteers to provide support with snacks and donations for GriefShare for the last session of GriefShare on April 30. Please see the Sign-Up Genius (<http://tinyurl.com/GriefSupport24>) or contact Pastor Tony, [tony@ascensionelca.org](mailto:tony@ascensionelca.org), if you can help.

**Partnership Dinner & Auction:** Save the date of Saturday, May 18, starting at 5 p.m., for the Partnership Dinner & Auction for the trip to El Salvador. Sign-up to donate or volunteer, <http://tinyurl.com/tacodinner2024>.

**Blessing Box:** Donations of non-perishable snacks and items are needed for the Blessing Box. Please consider buying something extra when you're at the grocery store.

**Jubilate "One Voice":** The Jubilate Chorale will present *One Voice* on Saturday, May 4, 7:30 p.m. at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Waukesha, and on Sunday, May 5, 3 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, New Berlin. The chorale will be joined by a chamber orchestra and the Brookfield East High School choirs in a performance of Jubilate Deo by Dan Forrest. Jubilate Deo is based on Psalm 100, "O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands." The work is sung in seven different languages and draws from a wide variety of musical influences. Tickets are available from Ascension members Scott Greger and Vicki Taylor, or online at [jubilatechorale.org](http://jubilatechorale.org).

**Reflections Blog:** Too busy to read the entire newsletter? Browse our Reflections Blog for individual articles that might interest you! <https://ascensionelca.org/events/reflections/>.

### Many Ways to Give



- 1) *QR code*
- 2) *Vanco Giving app*
- 3) *Online at [ti-nyurl.com/SupportALC](http://tinyurl.com/SupportALC)*
- 4) *Via text to 262-214-3681 with the amount*

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

## Sun April 28

**8:30am Worship S**  
 9:45am BLAST  
 9:45am New Member class  
 HR  
**10:45am Misa EH**  
**10:45am Worship S**  
 2pm CRASH CR  
 3:30pm Pupusa pick-up  
 7pm AA WH

## Mon Apr 29

6pm Amen CR  
 6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

## Tue Apr 30

*7am AMEN zoom*  
 9:30am Women's Bible CR  
 6pm GriefShare CR

## Wed May 1

11:30am Staff Meeting  
 6pm Handbells S  
 7pm AA WH  
 7:15pm Adult Choir S

## Thu May 2

9:30am TGIT HR  
 10am Al Anon CR  
 11am Staff Spanish  
 1pm Hansen Group HR  
 6pm JOLT EH

## Fri May 3

10am Cloverleaf EH  
 JOLT Lutherdale

## Sat May 4

JOLT Lutherdale  
 8am Property Day

## Sun May 5

**8:30am Worship S**  
 9:45am BLAST  
**10:45am Misa EH**  
**10:45am Worship S**  
 12pm Dia de la Cruz con al-  
 muerzo WH  
 7pm AA WH

## Mon May 6

6pm Amen CR  
 6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

## Tue May 7

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

## Wed May 8

1pm Knit Wits HR  
 6pm Handbells S  
 7pm AA WH  
 7:15pm Adult Choir S

## Thu May 9

10am Al Anon CR  
 6pm JOLT EH

## Sun May 12

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

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

## WORSHIP SUPPORT <https://tinyurl.com/worshippupport>

**Sunday, May 5**

**8:30**

**10:45**

<b>Acolyte</b>	Elsa Kinunen	Mira Schaefer
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Gary Bauer	Mary Kolberg, Sue Mathews
<b>Communion</b>	Sharon Coralline, Jennifer Werner	Mary Kolberg, Sue Mathews
<b>Greeters</b>	Sharon Coralline, Susan Koefler	Duane and Kelly Schoon
<b>Media</b>	Buck Houston	Andrew Marien
<b>Ushers</b>	Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr, Paul Wehmeier	Dennis, DJ and Shelby Leatherwood

## 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.**



1415 Dopp St.  
Waukesha, WI 53188  
262-547-8518 [ascensionelca.org](http://ascensionelca.org)