

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost 10 a.m., Sunday, June 16, 2024

Worship Leadership

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

Acolyte: Kellen Johnson **Greeters:** Bob and Karen Schmiechen

Altar Guild: Becky Hastings, Sue Mathews Media: Anna Marien

Communion: Becky Hastings Usher: Bob and Karen Schmiechen

Communion: Melody and Paul Maass

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let All Things Now Living arr. Sandra Eithun

Bell Ensemble

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.

SONGS

God Who Saves

The light of the world shining in love Taking the fall upon Your shoulders You shattered the dark as You rose to life again

You are the way, the truth and the life Your mercy has overcome our failings The battle is won Jesus in love You reign You're the God who saves You're the hope of all Reaching out Your hand As your people call (2x)

Our savior has come let Your will be done Your kingdom on earth as in the heavens Our freedom is found, Lord In no other name *(Chorus)*

Let It Rise

Let the glory of the Lord, rise among us Let the glory of the Lord, rise among us Let the praises of the King, rise among us Let it rise Let the songs of the Lord, rise among us Let the songs of the Lord, rise among us Let the joy of the King, rise among us Let it rise Oh-oh-oh, let it rise

PRAYER

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Tony

SONG

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

GOSPEL READING Mark 4:26-34

[Jesus] said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The

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earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come." He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Pastor Tony

SONG

Your Great Name

Lost are saved, find their way At the sound of Your great name All condemned, feel no shame At the sound of Your great name Every fear, has no place At the sound of Your great name The enemy, he has to leave At the sound of Your great name

Jesus, worthy is the Lamb That was slain for us Son of God and man You are high and lifted up That all the world will praise Your great name All the weak, find their strength At the sound of Your great name Hungry souls, receive grace At the sound of Your great name The fatherless, they find their rest At the sound of Your great name Sick are healed, dead are raised At the sound of Your great name (Chorus)

PRAYERS

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

Comfort: For Nada Draeger and family at the death of her father, Wayne

Healing: Pat Boyer, skull fracture following a fall while on vacation

Beverly Humber, eye surgery Don Malchow, heart surgery

Thanksgiving: Cynthia and Mike Carlson for the birth of a granddaughter, Lilliana

Jim and Linda Druml, 52nd wedding anniversary

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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OFFERING

A New Hallelujah

Can you hear, there's a new song Breaking out from the children of freedom Every race and every nation Sing it out, sing a new hallelujah

Arise, let the church arise Let love, reach to the other side Alive, come alive Let the song arise

Let us sing love to the nations Bringing hope of the grace that has freed us Make Him known and make Him famous Sing it out, sing a new hallelujah *(Chorus)*

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- 3) Online at <u>tinyurl.com/</u> SupportALC
- 4) Via text to 262-214-3681 with the amount

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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 I Will Rise

SONGS

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Come thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love

Here I raise my Ebenezer hither by thy help I've come And I hope by thy good pleasure safely to arrive at home Jesus sought me when a stranger wandering from the fold of God He to rescue me from danger interposed His precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be Let thy goodness like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee Prone to wander Lord I feel it, prone to leave the God I love Here's my heart, o take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above

Here I Am to Worship

Light of the world You stepped down into darkness Opened my eyes let me see Beauty that made this heart adore You Hope of a life spent with You

Here I am to worship Here I am to bow down Here I am to say that You're my God You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy Altogether wonderful to me King of all days
So highly exalted
Glorious in Heaven above

Humbly You came to the earth You created

All for love's sake became poor

(Chorus)

COMMUNION BLESSING

BENEDICTION

SONG <u>I Love to Be in Your Presence</u>

I love to be in Your presence With Your people singing praises I love to stand and rejoice Lift my hands and raise my voice Lift my hands and raise my voice

You set my feet to dancing You fill my heart with song You give me reason to rejoice Rejoice!

SENDING

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God.



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!

Read All About June at Ascension: Check out the June newsletter https://ascensionelca.org/events/newsletter/ to read articles from the pastors, find out about summer worship plans and special activities, see graduate pictures and find out how you can serve with Ascension.

Summer Worship Schedule: Join us for worship this summer on Sundays at 8:30 (English) and 10 a.m. (English and Spanish). Mark your calendar to join us for worship in the Memorial Gardens on Sundays, June 23, July 28, Aug. 11 and Sept. 1.

Sing for a Sunday: Singers of all ages are invited to sing in an intergenerational choir on Sunday, June 23. We will meet for one rehearsal on Thursday, June 20 from 6-6:30 p.m., followed by singing in 8:30 worship on Sunday, June 23. The song can be easily learned by listening and all are welcome! Email Vicki Taylor, vicki@ascensionelca.org, and say you'll join us!

Get Connected: Do you get Ascension's e-alerts? If not, sign-up and never miss another event or announcement. We send out e-alerts weekly on Wednesday and occasionally for special notices. Sign-up online https://tinyurl.com/ALCealert or contact the church office.

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/



Dear People of Ascension,

I am overwhelmed with gratitude for your many kind and thoughtful words, lovely cards, and generous gifts on the occasion of my 40th anniversary on the church staff. I am so very grateful for the support and love I have received in the past and continue to receive on a regular basis. And I deeply appreciate your beautiful and inspirational singing in worship; I am uplifted with each and every hymn and song.

Gratefully, Vicki Taylor

CALENDAR https://ascensionelca.org/events/

Sun Jun 16 8:30am Worship S 10am Misa EH 10am Worship S 7pm AA WH

Mon Jun 17 6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH 6:30pm Book Study HR

Tue Jun 18
7am AMEN zoom
House Band S EH/WH HR
9:30am Women's Bible CR

Wed Jun 19 House Band S EH/WH HR 7pm AA WH

Thu Jun 20
House Band S EH/WH HR
10am Al Anon CR
1pm Hansen Group CR
6pm Sing for a Sunday Rehearsal S

Fri Jun 21 House Band S EH/WH HR

Sat Jun 22 House Band S EH/WH HR Sun Jun 23 8:30am Worship S 10am Misa EH 10am Outdoor Worship MG 7pm AA WH

Mon Jun 24 1pm Knit Wits HR 6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

Tue Jun 25
7am AMEN zoom
9:30am Women's Bible CR
7pm Church council HR

Wed Jun 26 1pm Bunco WH 7pm AA WH

Thu Jun 27 YAH Bus Trip 10am Al Anon CR

Sun Jun 30 8:30am Worship S 10am Misa EH 10am Worship S 7pm AA WH

Mon Jul 1 6:30pm AA Sm Group WH Tue Jul 2
7am AMEN zoom
9:30am Women's Bible CR

Wed Jul 3 7pm AA WH

Thu Jul 4 Independence Day Office closed 10am Al Anon CR

<u>Fri Jul 5</u> Office closed

Sun Jul 7 8:30am Worship S 10am Misa EH 10am Worship S 7pm AA WH

Kev Conference rm CR EH East Hall HR Hearth rm MG Memorial Gardens Narthex (Lobby) Ν Sanctuary S WH West Hall Italics Virtual or offsite

Worship Support Schedule https://tinyurl.com/worshipsupport		
June 23	8:30a	10ab outdoor
Acolytes	Linnea Kinunen	Joshua Gunderson
Altar Guild	Julie Kinunen	Kathy and Mike Tomchek
Communion	Julie Kinunen, Jennifer Werner	Mary Ellen Comp, Jeff Froh, Mike Tomchek
Greeters	Karen Simington, Garnet Wolff	n/a
Media	Kurt Werner	none needed
Ushers	Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr, Jeff Rohrer	Lauren Pichler, Mark Pichler

Are You Visiting?

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Please place in the offering plate.



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