



## 20th Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 a.m., October 6, 2024

### Worship Leadership

Rev. Christian Marien, *Lead Pastor*

Rev. Edwin Aparicio, *Pastor*

Vicki Taylor, *Director of Music Ministries*

**Acolyte:** Eli Escobedo

**Altar Guild:** Joan Birner

**Choir Accompanist:** Kathy Johnson

**Communion:** Jennifer and Scot Werner,

**Communion:** Jim Hahn, Sharon Coralline

**Greeters:** Carol and Steve Spieker

**Media:** Buck Houston

**Reader:** Linda Elder

**Ushers:** Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr

**Usher:** Al Wollschlager

### PRELUDE

### Now Thank We All Our God

*setting by Sigfrid Karg-Elert*

### WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 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.**

## **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. 147**

## **HYMN OF PRAISE**

**This Is the Feast**

**p. 149**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Holy God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

## **FIRST READING**

**Job 1:1, 2:1-10**

There was once a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job. That man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil. One day the heavenly beings came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them to present himself before the Lord. The Lord said to Satan, "Where have you come from?" Satan answered the Lord, "From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it." The Lord said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man who fears God and turns away from evil. He still persists in his integrity, although you incited me against him, to destroy him for no reason." Then Satan answered the Lord, "Skin for skin! All that people have they will give to save their lives. But stretch out your hand now and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse you to your face." The Lord said to Satan, "Very well, he is in your power; only spare his life." So Satan went out from the presence of the Lord, and inflicted loathsome sores on Job from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head. Job took a potsherd with which to scrape himself, and sat among the ashes. Then his wife said to him, "Do you still persist in your integrity? Curse God, and die." But he said to her, "You speak as any foolish woman would speak. Shall we receive the good at the hand of God, and not receive the bad?" In all this Job did not sin with his lips.

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

## GOSPEL ANNOUNCEMENT

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 10th chapter.

C:



Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

## GOSPEL READING

**Mark 10:13-16**

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C:



Praise to you, O Christ.

## SERMON

**Pastor Chris**

## HYMN

**If You But Trust in God to Guide You**

**ELW 769**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**Thanksgiving:** For the birth of daughter to David and Nancy Farmer

**Healing:** For Chris Holloway's mother Dodie Rudd, hospitalized with lung problems  
For Karen Shulfer, hospitalized

**Comfort:** Reinders-Metzger family at the death of Ann's mother, Sue

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

<b>OFFERING</b>	<b>They Shall Soar Like Eagles</b> <i>Laura Manzo</i>	<b>Ascension Choir</b> <b>Amy James, flute</b>
<b>OFFERTORY</b>	<b>Create in Me</b>	<b>ELW 186</b>
<b>GREAT THANKSGIVING</b>		<b>p. 152</b>
<b>PROPER PREFACE</b>		
<b>HOLY, HOLY, HOLY</b>		<b>p. 153</b>
<b>WORDS OF INSTITUTION</b>		
<b>LORD'S PRAYER</b>		
<b>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.</b>		
<b>DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION</b>		
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.		
<b>LAMB OF GOD</b>		<b>p. 154</b>
<b>HYMNS</b>	<b>Let Us Break Bread Together</b>	<b>ELW 471</b>
	<b>Now We Join in Celebration</b>	<b>ELW 462</b>
	<b>Precious Lord, Take My Hand</b>	<b>ELW 773</b>
<b>COMMUNION BLESSING</b>		
<b>BENEDICTION</b>		
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: <b>Amen.</b>		
<b>CLOSING HYMN</b>	<b>Now Thank We All Our God</b>	<b>ELW 840</b>
<b>SENDING</b>		
P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!		
C: <b>Thanks be to God.</b>		
<b>POSTLUDE</b>	<b>In Thee Is Gladness, <i>Paul Manz</i></b>	



# 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 if needed. There are also Busy Bags available in the lobby.

**Pew Pads:** Please fill-out the blue pew pad and pass it to your neighbor. You might make a new friend!

**The Gift of Prayer:** To the right of the altar, we have created a prayer space somewhat removed from the center of worship activity around the altar. We expect to return to private prayers with a pastor or pastoral assistant for yourself or for someone you know in the weeks ahead. But for the next couple of months, we are setting this space aside for you to use for private prayer after you have received communion. If you desire to light a candle in honor of someone you are holding close, in prayer or in remembrance, feel free to do so before service during a congregational sung piece of music, or after you have received communion.

**CRASH:** CRASH meets tonight at 6 p.m. CRASH will also meet on Wednesday, Oct. 23 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. We will do something special for the teachers at Hawthorne Elementary School. Did you miss the September kick-off meeting and the details about our June 2025 service trip to the Appalachian region of Kentucky? Contact Pastor Edwin, [edwin@ascensionelca.org](mailto:edwin@ascensionelca.org), for information.

**JOLT:** JOLT meets on Thursdays, Oct. 10 and 17 at 6 p.m. There is no JOLT on Oct. 24 & 31.

**Introducing a New Youth Choir:** We're beginning a new Youth Choir for students in grades 6-8 on Thursday, Nov. 7, 5:45-6:30. This is a short-term commitment with rehearsals in November and December. The Youth Choir will then sing for the Advent Concert Worship services on Saturday, Dec. 14, at 6 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 15, at 9:30 a.m. To sign-up, please contact Director of Music Ministries Vicki Taylor, [vicki@ascensionelca.org](mailto:vicki@ascensionelca.org).

**Children's Choir:** Children's Choir for children in grades K-5 returns on Thursday, Nov. 7, 5 to 5:40 p.m. Children's choir will rehearse on Nov. 7, 14, 21 and Dec. 5 and 12 and will sing for the Advent Concert Worship services on Saturday, Dec. 14, at 6 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 15, at 9:30 a.m. Email Vicki Taylor, [vicki@ascensionelca.org](mailto:vicki@ascensionelca.org), to join.

**New Member Conversation:** Interested in learning more about Ascension and/or joining? Meet the pastors for an informal question and answer session about all things Ascension at 9:45 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 13. RSVP to the office, [admin@ascensionelca.org](mailto:admin@ascensionelca.org), 262-547-8518, or fill-out the new member interest form online <http://tinyurl.com/AscensionNewMembers>. We will welcome new members on Oct. 20 with a brunch between services.

## Many Ways to Give



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

*More announcements next page.*

**HELP -- Donations Needed!** During October, ELCA celebrates 50 years of addressing World Hunger. This first week we focus on the needs of our local community. The Food Pantry and Blessing Box bins are almost empty! There are desperate needs for both programs. While all donations including cash are welcome, visit the MO Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Ascension.ELCA.MO/> to read about the Big 8 to Donate! Please help us meet this need.

**Lutheran Disaster Response to Hurricane Helene:** Your gifts in support of Lutheran Disaster Response, <https://give.elca.org/page/68904/donate/1>, help our church provide immediate relief, such as water, clothing, gift cards, tarps and other needs. Since many hurricanes also require a long-term response, Lutheran Disaster Response provides support on the long road to recovery with disaster case management, construction management, unmet needs, and emotional and spiritual care. Gifts to “Hurricane Response” will be used in full (100%) to assist those affected by hurricanes, until the response is complete.

**Outreach for Hope Ride Run Walk New Donations Matched:** The 2024 OFH Family Ride/Run was a great success. If you haven’t already donated or would like to add to the donation, please participate in this wonderful opportunity to have your donation matched up to \$25,000! Visit the donation site <https://ofhrrw.soft9r.app/> and follow the steps to have your gift maximized in order to have a greater impact on the ministries supported by OFH.

**October Newsletter:** Read all about October at Ascension including pastoral reflections and ways to worship, grow and serve with Ascension, <https://ascensionelca.org/events/newsletter/>.

**Prayer Requests:** Prayer requests may be made using the yellow prayer card in the pew, online <https://ascensionelca.org/spiritual-growth/prayers/>, by email to [admin@ascensionelca.org](mailto:admin@ascensionelca.org), or phone message to the church office, 262-547-8518.

Sunday, Oct. 13	8:30	10:45
<b>Acolyte</b>	Grace Paczesny	Josh Gunderson
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Julie Kinunen	Mary Kolberg, Sue Mathews
<b>Communion</b>	<i>Needed</i>	Mary Kolberg, Sue Mathews, Gary Wipperman
<b>Greeters</b>	Michael Dian	
<b>Media</b>	Cheryl Werner	Jeff Froh
<b>Ushers</b>	Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr, Jim Hahn	Cynthia and Mike Carlson

# CALENDAR

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

## Sun Oct 6

**8:30am Worship S**

**10:30am Worship at Farm**

6pm CRASH Kit, CR

7pm AA WH

## Mon Oct 7

10am Chosen Study HR

5:30pm Chosen Study HR

6pm AMEN CR

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

## Tue Oct 8

*7am AMEN zoom*

9:30am Women's Bible CR

## Wed Oct 9

6pm Handbells S

7pm AA WH

7:15pm Adult Choir S

## Thu Oct 10

10am AI Anon CR

6pm JOLT EH

## Sat Oct 12

9am Jubilate rehearsal S

## Sun Oct 13

**8:30am Worship S**

9:45am Blast WH

9:45am New Member Conversation HR

**10:45am Misa EH**

**10:45am Worship S**

1pm Private recital S

7pm AA WH

## Mon Oct 14

10am Chosen Study HR

6pm AMEN CR

6pm Chosen Study HR

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

## Tue Oct 15

*7am AMEN zoom*

9:30am Women's Bible CR

## Tue Oct 15 cont.

7pm Church council HR

## Wed Oct 16

12pm Young at Heart WH

6pm Handbells S

7pm AA WH

7:15pm Adult Choir S

## Thu Oct 17

9:30am TGIT HR

10am AI Anon CR

1pm Hansen Group CR

6pm JOLT EH

## Fri Oct 18

4:30pm Private event EH

## Sat Oct 19

11am Private EH

12:30pm Knit Wits HR

## Sun Oct 20

New Member Sunday

**8:30am Worship S**

9:45am Blast HR / CR

9:45am New Member Brunch  
WH

**10:45am Misa EH**

**10:45am Worship S**

7pm AA WH

## Mon Oct 21

10am Chosen Study HR

6pm AMEN CR

6pm Chosen Study HR

### Key

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

## Mon Oct 21 cont.

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

7pm Jubilate rehearsal S

## Tue Oct 22

*7am AMEN zoom*

9:30am Women's Bible CR

11:30am Pastoral Assistants  
HR

## Wed Oct 23

1pm Bunco WH

5pm CRASH Service Project

6pm Handbells S

7pm AA WH

7:15pm Adult Choir S

## Thu Oct 24

10am AI Anon CR

## Sat Oct 26

9am Property Clean-Up Day

## Sun Oct 27

Reformation and Confirmation

**8:30am Worship S**

9:45am Blast

**10:45am Misa EH**

**10:45am Worship S**

7pm AA WH

## Mon Oct 28

10am Chosen Study HR

6pm AMEN CR

6pm Chosen Study HR

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

## Tue Oct 29

*7am AMEN zoom*

9:30am Women's Bible CR

## Wed Oct 30

11:30am Staff Meeting HR

1pm Knit Wits HR

6pm Handbells S

7pm AA WH

7:15pm Adult Choir S

# Are You Visiting?

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

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

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

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

\_\_\_\_\_

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 (membership)

**Please place in the offering plate.**



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