

All Saints Sunday 8:30 a.m., November 3, 2024

Worship Leadership

Rev. Christian Marien, *Lead Pastor* Rev. Anthony Acompanado, *Pastor* Rev. Edwin Aparicio, *Pastor* Vicki Taylor, *Director of Music Ministries*

Acolyte: Ruby Olson, Zach Jahner Altar Guild: Gary Bauer Choir Accompanist: Kathy Johnson Communion: Carol and Steve Spieker Greeters: Ev and Kay Stone Media: Buck Houston Ushers: Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr, Jeff Rohrer

PRELUDE

For All the Saints, setting by Robert Hobby

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

ELW 873

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.

A TIME OF REMEMBRANCE

- P: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son 🕏, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- P: We gather this day to remember those who lit our lives with joy.
- C: We gather to remember those who touched our lives with tenderness.
- P: For those whose loss fills us with longing.
- C: We remember their names and give thanks for their lives.
- P: We remember those who loved us without condition or constraint.
- C: And those who stood by us holding us in both joy and sorrow.
- P: We remember those who would not let us stand still.
- C: And those whose cheered us on towards new ideas and new adventures.
- P: We remember those who traveled before us.
- C: And those who showed us courage.

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- P: We remember those who showed us how to live in love.
- C: And those who showed us how to die in faith and hope.
- P: Holy God, you share with us the faithfulness of saints past, present, and future at your table. Teach us to live our days wisely. We give you thanks for all your faithful people who have passed through death this year and now live in your eternal care:

Jewil Schaefer	Betterae Riekkoff	Susan Ziegert
Nancy Link	Kathleen Hahn	Beverly Sweetland
Mary McGoun	Sara Doyle	Donna Passolt
James Scheftner	José Noé Aguilera Delgado	Kenneth Berdoll

P: Lord God, hear our prayers this day, as we remember your saints, strengthen us in the adventure of following you through this world, until we come to the place where suffering and death will be no more. We ask all of this in the name of the One who promises never to turn his face from us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

- P: We speak the names of these saints in our lives to remember, to celebrate, to renew their memory within us that we would let our lives be inspired by their example and the light of their memory chase away the shadows of our grief. So come, light a candle this day, in remembrance and in celebration of all that God promises to us.
- C: Thanks be to God.

DUET	Pie Jesu, Andrew Lloyd Webber	Annemarie Wucker, Linda Elder
Translation	: Merciful Jesus, who takest away the sins of the wor O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the w rest.	
ANTHEM	Like a River in My Soul, arr. Tim Osiek	Ascension Choir
HYMN	Lord of All Hopefulness	ELW 765
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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P: Almighty God, you have taught us in your Son that love fulfills the law. Inspire us to love you with all our heart, our soul, our mind, and our strength, and teach us how to love our neighbor as ourselves, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C: Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION	For All the Saints (v. 1, 2)	ELW 422
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GOSPEL ANNOUNCEMENT

- P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 11th chapter.
- C: Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL READING

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN	For All the Saints (v. 6, 7)	ELW 422
SERMON		Pastor Chris
HYMN	Thine Is the Glory	ELW 376

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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit, he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

John 11:32-44

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Healing: For Pat Boyer, receiving a pacemaker

For Ruth Dewitz, hospitalized for illness

For Melody and Paul Maass' infant grandson George, kidney issues

For Shirley Novotny's great-grandson Damien, serious injuries from an accident

Comfort: For the Carleton family following the death of Dave Carleton's mother Millie Thanksgiving: For Peter Passante's friend Monika, making progress in her treatment program

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

I've Got Peace Like a River arr. Sandra Eithun

Ascension Ringers

Many Ways to Give Electronically

- QR code
- VancoMobile Giving app on your smartphone
- Online at tinyurl.com/SupportALC
- Via text to 262-214-3681 with the amount

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.

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.

HYMNS	Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow	ELW 885
	Now We Join in Celebration	ELW 462
	Healer of Our Every Ill	ELW 612
	Great Is Thy Faithfulness	ELW 733

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 \$\$\overline{\Psi}\$, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN I Know That My Redeemer Lives! (v. 1, 2, 7, 8) ELW 619

SENDING

- P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!
- C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE I Know That My Redeemer Lives, Michael Burkhardt

Worship Support Schedule <u>https://tinyurl.com/worshipsupport</u>			
Nov. 10 8:30a		10:45a	
Acolytes	Simon Williams	Lexi Lytle	
Altar Guild	Marge Schroeder	Mary Kolberg, Sue Mathews	
Communion	Jim Hahn, Marge Schroeder	Mary Kolberg, Sue Mathews, Teri Quam	
Greeters	Cathy Dugdale, Maddie Goetter	n/a	
Media	Adam Boales	Jeff Froh	
Ushers	Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr, Todd Schroeder	Cynthia and Mike Carlson	



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 2025 Proposed Church Budget is available at the Welcome Center. This will provide an opportunity to be informed as to how your offerings are spent on staffing, program ministry, maintenance, and giving outside our walls. A budget forum is scheduled with the Church Council for Sunday, Nov. 10, at 9:45 a.m. in the Conference Room to answer any questions.

The Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, Nov. 17, between services to elect 2025 council, approve the budget, and hear from church leaders about 2024.

2025 Commitment Cards: How is God inviting you to celebrate our ministry and prepare for the future in 2025? Please fill-out the 2025 commitment card or submit your commitment online at <u>https://tinyurl.com/ALCpledge</u>, prayerfully considering what God might be leading you to offer back to God through the mission and ministry of Ascension. If you give online, please consider increasing your monthly offering if it has been a while since you set-up your online giving.

Who Is My Neighbor Meeting Today: If you are interested in immigration and refugee resettlement and how to live out your faith in response, please join us today between services in the Conference Room. Contact Joan Mikecz, joanmikecz@sbcglobal.net, if you have questions.

Sing for a Season: Sing with the Ascension Choir for the Advent/Christmas season. Rehearsals are from 7:15-8:15 p.m. on Wednesdays, Nov. 6, 13 and 20, and Dec. 4 and 11 (Tuesday on Nov. 26); and Saturday, Nov. 9, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The choir will sing for the Advent Concert Worship services. Contact Vicki Taylor, <u>vicki@ascensionelca.org</u>.

New Youth Choir: We're beginning a new Youth Choir for students in grades 6-12 on Thursday, Nov. 7, 5:45-6:30 p.m. This is a short-term commitment with rehearsals in November and December. The Youth Choir will then sing for the Advent Concert Worship. To sign-up, please contact Vicki Taylor, <u>vicki@ascensionelca.org</u>.

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, <u>vicki@ascensionelca.org</u>, to join.

Angel Tree: The Thursday Afternoon Nurture Group will be sponsoring an angel tree this year for Waukesha Clearing Council Christmas gifts. The tree will be put up this Thursday. We will be collecting gift cards for different stores and giving them to parents for their children at Christmas. We will also be collecting gift cards to purchase toys for Ascension's Toddler Town.

Concert to Benefit Healing Hearts: The annual Waukesha Area Symphonic Band concert benefitting Healing Hearts is Sunday, Nov. 10, at 3 p.m. at Shattuck Hall, Carroll University. Tickets can be purchased in advance for \$10 or at the door for \$15. To purchase advance tickets, see the event online, <u>https://www.healingheartswisconsin.org/events-2/</u>, or contact Shirley Wehmeier, <u>shwehmeier@gmail.com</u>.

Hawthorne Help: We are still looking for a couple of people to help first graders with basic math skills. Help is needed Monday through Friday from 11:40-12:40 a.m. Volunteers can choose one day to help or sign up-to go on a regular schedule. Contact Pastor Edwin, <u>edwin@ascensionelca.org</u>, if you can help regularly or as a sub.

Tutoring Revised: We have been receiving requests for help with learning English from nonmembers. What a wonderful chance to provide a renewed outreach opportunity! We will work with tutors and potential students to find the times that best match their schedules. Resources and guidance on how to work with the students will be provided. We are willing to work with your schedule. Please contact Shirley Wehmeier, <u>shwehmeier@gmail.com</u>, if you are interested in helping with this ministry.

ELCA Hunger Project: This 5th week of celebrating ELCA's 50 years of Addressing World Hunger, please share how you observed and honored the anniversary. Did you donate food items locally? Make a monetary donation? Skip a meal or dessert and share the money you saved? Focused your prayers on being thankful for the blessing of having enough food? Please share what you did on the post on Ascension's Mission Outreach Facebook page. ELCA Hunger programs help us all be part of the promise of living in a just world where all are fed. If this area of ministry is something you are interested in helping with leadership, please contact Shirley Wehmeier, <u>shwehmeier@gmail.com</u>, for more information.

CALENDAR https://ascensionelca.org/events/

Sun Nov 3

All Saints Day 8:30am Worship S 9:45am Blast 9:45am Who Is My Neighbor CR 10:45am Misa EH

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12pm Private Reservation 7pm AA WH

Mon Nov 4

10am Chosen Study HR 6pm AMEN CR 6pm Chosen Study HR 6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

Tue Nov 5

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

Wed Nov 6

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

Thu Nov 7

9:15am Young at Heart trip 9:30am TGIT HR

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

Thu Nov 7 cont.

10am Al Anon CR 1pm Hansen Group HR 5pm Children's Choir MR 5:45pm Youth Choir MR 6:30pm JOLT EH

Sat Nov 9

9am Adult Choir S 12:30pm Handbells S

Sun Nov 10 CRASH Kringle Sales 8:30am Worship S 9:45am Budget Forum CR 9:45am Blast 10:45am Misa EH 10:45am Worship S 6pm CRASH 7pm AA WH

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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