



Christ the King

10:45 a.m., November 24, 2024

Worship Leadership

Rev. Christian Marien, *Lead Pastor*

Rev. Anthony Acompañado, *Pastor*

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Communion: Mike Tomchek,
Gary Wipperman

Media: Anna Marien

Usher: Mark Pichler

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONG

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*)

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 (*Chorus*)

PRAAYER

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Chris

SONG

I Will Follow

Where You go, I'll go
Where You stay, I'll stay
When You move, I'll move
I will follow You
Who You love, I'll love
How You serve, I'll serve
If this life I lose, I will follow You
I will follow You

All Your ways are good
All Your ways are sure
I will trust in You alone
Higher than my sight, high above my life
I will trust in You alone (*Chorus*)
Light unto the world, light unto my life
I will live for You alone
You're the one I seek knowing I will find
All I need in You alone (*Chorus*)

FIRST READING

Daniel 7:9-10

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened.

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

Revelation 1:4b-8

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL READING

John 18:33-37

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my

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kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.” Pilate asked him, “So you are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

Pastor Chris

SONG

Revelation Song

Worthy is the, lamb who was slain
Holy, holy is He
Sing a new song, to Him who sits on
Heaven’s mercy seat

Clothed in rainbows, of living color
Flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder
Blessing and honor
Strength and glory and power be
To You the only wise King (*Chorus*)

Holy, Holy, Holy
Is the Lord God Almighty
Who was, and is, and is to come
With all creation I sing
Praise to the King of kings
You are my everything
And I will adore You

PRAYERS

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

Healing: For Christopher and Daron, open heart surgery

For Paul and Melody Maass’ infant grandson George, following surgery

Comfort: For Marvin Goetter’s daughter Stacey, following the death of her fiancé, Quinn

For Cynthia Carlson following the death of her brother Gale

Thanksgiving: For Kathleen Fischer’s 93rd birthday

For Denis and Lauren Birgenheir at the birth of a daughter, Sophie

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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OFFERING

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

Way Maker

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)



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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

Gratitude Song

SONGS

Holy Spirit

There's nothing worth more that will ever come close
No thing can compare, You're our living hope
Your presence, Lord
I've tasted and seen of the sweetest of loves
Where my heart becomes free and my shame is undone
Your presence, Lord

**Holy Spirit, You are welcome here
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere
Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for
To be overcome by Your presence, Lord**

I've tasted and seen, of the sweetest of loves
Where my heart becomes free, and my shame is undone
By Your presence, Lord (*Chorus*)

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

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: **Amen.**

SONG

Peace Like a River

I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river
I've got peace like a river in my soul (2x)

I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain
I've got joy like a fountain in my soul (2x)

I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean
I've got love like an ocean in my soul (2x)

SENDING

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



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!

CRASH Kringle Sale: Today is your last chance to purchase kringles to support CRASH's service trip to the Appalachian region of Kentucky. Kringle pickup will be Dec. 8.

Healing Hearts: Ascension is serving a chili supper for the Healing Hearts Waukesha program participants tomorrow, Monday, Nov. 25. See the Sign-Up Genius, <https://tinyurl.com/HHChili2024>, to find out how you can support families going through a time of loss or struggles.

No Bunco: Just a reminder that there is no bunco in November due to the holiday.

Church Office Closed: The church office will be closed on Thursday and Friday, Nov. 28-29.

Advent Book Study: Pastor Chris is leading a 4-week study beginning Monday, Dec. 2, at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. on the book *The First Advent in Palestine: Reversals, Resistance, and the Ongoing Complexity of Hope* by Kelley Nikondeha. Welcome the season of Advent with reflection, candlelight, song, and study. Books are \$20 and will be available for pick-up on Sunday, Dec. 1. RSVP to Pastor Chris, pc@ascensionelca.org, to reserve a book.

2025 Commitment Cards: If you have not yet turned in your 2025 commitment card or entered your commitment online, <https://tinyurl.com/ALCpledge>, please consider doing so before the end of November. Your commitment to support the ministry and mission of Ascension is a faithful response to all that God has done and is doing in your life and through our church.

2025 Online Giving: We understand that several of you have inquired about increasing your monthly electronic offering and have found the website difficult to navigate. If it is easier to do so, please feel free to contact Ascension's Financial Secretary Joan Birner, jbirner1@wi.rr.com, 262-547-8814, and she can facilitate a change in your monthly online giving.

Angel Tree: Visit the Angel Tree in the lobby and choose an angel to donate gift cards for the Christmas Clearing Council of Waukesha to be given to parents for children's gifts and for toys for Ascension's Toddler Town.

AMEN Christmas Gathering and Long Underwear Collection: This year's Annual Men's Christmas Gathering is scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 5, at the Historic North Pillar Brewing Co., 212 E. North St., Waukesha. Bring your donation of long underwear (men's or women's) for Hope Center and enjoy Christian fellowship as we celebrate this special time in the church year. Please RSVP by text to Steve Boyer, 262-366-4078, by Monday, Nov. 25, so we have headcount for pizza. Pizza will be served at 6 p.m. We are asking for a \$15 donation per/person to offset the cost. Long underwear donations may also be brought to church if you're not attending.

Bingo Night for the Women of Ascension: Join us on Friday, Dec. 6, 6 to 8 p.m. for a night out with the ladies! Bring a \$10 wrapped gift and an appetizer or dessert to share. There will be prizes, food and fun! Please sign-up to bring something, <https://tinyurl.com/Dec6Bingo>. Contact Ileen Marien, ileenmarien@gmail.com, with questions.

Mt. Meru Coffee: Consider purchasing coffee for your holiday gatherings from Ascension's Mt. Meru Coffee Project. If what you'd like isn't available in the cabinet, please fill-out the order form. Your order will be ready for pick-up at church just a few days later. Ascension is proud to be a founding member of this project and a top seller of this special coffee. Don't forget to put some money in the basket to help us support coffee farmers in Tanzania!

Food Pantry and Blessing Box: As you do your grocery shopping this coming week, remember those who are in need. Bring your food donations to church and put them in the marked bins in the Donation Center. We are seeing a much heavier use than during the summer months.

Jubilate Chorale Joy & Wonder: The Jubilate Chorale will present their Christmas concert, *Joy and Wonder*, on Saturday, Dec. 7, 7:30 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church, Brookfield, and on Sunday, Dec. 8, 3 p.m. at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Wauwatosa. Tickets are available online, <https://www.jubilatechorale.org/>, or from Vicki Taylor, vicki@ascensionelca.org.

Ascension's Website: Did you know that you can view past worship services, complete with bulletins to follow along with and sermon summaries? Visit <https://ascensionelca.org/worship/sermons/> and re-experience some of your favorites.

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, or phone message to the church office, 262-547-8518.

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

Worship Support Schedule https://tinyurl.com/worshippupport		
Dec. 1	8:30a	10:45a
Acolyte	Marta Aparicio	Josh Gunderson
Altar Guild	Gary Bauer	Cindy Finn, Kris Wells
Communion	Darlene DiBrito, Jennifer Werner	Becky Hastings, Melody and Paul Maass
Greeters	Cheryl and Jennifer Werner	n/a
Media	Adam Boales	Jeff Froh
Reader	Sheri Greger	Sue Mathews
Ushers	Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr, Jim Hahn	Dennis Leatherwood, DJ Leatherwood

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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 (membership)

Please place in the offering plate.

CALENDAR

Mon Nov 25

5pm *Healing Hearts meal*
6pm AMEN CR
6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

Tue Nov 26

7am AMEN zoom
9:30am Women's Bible CR
6pm Handbells S
7pm Holloway Mtg HR
7:15pm Adult Choir S

Wed Nov 27

7pm AA WH

Thu Nov 28

Thanksgiving Day
Office closed

Fri Nov 29

Office closed

Sun Dec 1

8:30am Worship S
9:45am Blast
10:45am Misa EH
10:45am Worship S
7pm AA WH

Mon Dec 2

10am Advent Book Study
HR, S
6pm AMEN CR
6pm Advent Book Study
HR, S
6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

Tue Dec 3

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

Wed Dec 4

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

Thu Dec 5

9:30am TGIT HR
10am Al Anon CR
1pm Hansen Group HR
5pm Children's Choir MR
5:45pm Youth Choir MR
6pm AMEN Christmas Party

Fri Dec 6

5pm Women's event EH WH

Sat Dec 7

2pm CRASH Kringle sorting

Sun Dec 8

8:30am Worship S
9:45am Journey to Bethlehem
9:45am Kringle pick-up CR
10:45am Misa EH
10:45am Worship S
7pm AA WH

Mon Dec 9

10am Advent Book Study
HR, S
5pm *Healing Hearts Dinner*
6pm AMEN CR
6pm Advent Book Study
HR, S

Key

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



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