



Second Sunday of Easter

8:30 a.m., April 27, 2025

Worship Leadership

Rev. Anthony Acompañado, *Pastor*

Rev. Edwin Aparicio, *Pastor*

Vicki Taylor, *Director of Music Ministries*

Acolyte: Aidan Miller **Altar Guild:** Julie Kinunen

Communion: Julie Kinunen, Jennifer and Scot Werner

Greeters: Dick and Sharon Boward **Media:** Buck Houston

Pianist: Kathy Johnson **Ushers:** Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr, Al Wollschlager

PRELUDE

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

arr. John Innes

Piano Duet

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!

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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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

This Is the Feast

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: O God of life, you reach out to us amid our fears with the wounded hands of your risen Son. By your Spirit's breath revive our faith in your mercy, and strengthen us to be the body of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Tony

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. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL ANNOUNCEMENT

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 20th chapter.

C:



Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL READING

John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C:



Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Tony

HYMN

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!

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NICENE CREED

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Healing for: Barb Kreft's son, Kevin, kidney removal surgery
Barb Kreft's sister, Lois, emergency surgery
Barb Kreft's sister, Diane, cancer
Barb Kreft's brother, Allen, recently hospitalized

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

I Know that My Redeemer Liveth
(from Messiah), G. F. Handel

Annemarie Wucker



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

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and lord.

C: Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: In the night in which he was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks; broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

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.

LAMB OF GOD

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HYMNS

Let Us Break Bread Together

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Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup

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We Walk by Faith

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COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Lord God, you call your servants into the world to follow where you lead. Give us faith to go out with courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us, and your love supporting us. Day by day, guide us and give us what is needed, friends to cheer our way, and a clear vision to which you call us. By your Holy Spirit, be present in our journeys, that we may travel with the one who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 ☩, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!

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SENDING

P: Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God. Amen.

POSTLUDE

I Know that My Redeemer Lives

Michael Burkhardt

Worship Support https://tinyurl.com/worshipsupport		
May 4	8:30a	10:45a
Acolytes	Jakob Wagner	Claire Cruft
Altar Guild	Gary Bauer	Cindy Finn, Kris Wells
Communion	Lauren Birner, Sharon Coralline	Becky Hastings, Melody and Paul Maass
Greeters	Jimmy and Chris Loos	
Media	Adam Boales	Jeff Froh
Ushers	Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr, Jeff Rohrer	Dennis Leatherwood, DJ



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!

Property Day: Mark your calendar for Saturday, May 3, starting at 8:30 a.m. to help us spruce up the church campus. Plan to bring your yard tools and gloves.

Bunco: Everyone is invited to join us for bunco on Wednesday, April 30, from 1-3 p.m.

JOLT Resumes: JOLT will next meet on Thursday, May 1, at 6 p.m.

CRASH Meeting: CRASH will next meet on Sunday, May 4, at 6 p.m.

Men's Bible Study: Men's group bible study forming on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. (bi-weekly) at Ascension. Please contact Steve Boyer 262-366-4078 (text msg) or sboyer@healthmarkets.com.

Prayer Vigil: SOPHIA Religious Leaders Caucus is hosting a prayer vigil on Tuesday, April 29, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. to lift up refugees, immigrants, LGBTQIA+, the unemployed, persons with disabilities and any who have lost services. There will be prayers, songs, silence, readings and candles. This ecumenical event will be held at St. Luke's downtown Waukesha.

SOPHIA Auction & Community Breakfast: The SOPHIA Silent Action is available online, <https://www.32auctions.com/SOPHIA25>, for bidding starting today. This auction is a vital part of SOPHIA's major fundraiser, the Community Breakfast that helps tackle the tough social justice issues that impact our community. You may still be able to buy tickets (\$50) for the breakfast on the SOPHIA website, <https://www.sophiawaukesha.org/home>.

Jubilate Chorale Spring Concert: Jubilate Chorale presents Journey of the Heart Saturday, May 3, 7:30 p.m., here at Ascension or Sunday, May 4, at 3 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, 12700 W. Howard Ave., New Berlin. For tickets, contact Vicki Taylor or jubilatechorale.org.

E-Giving



- Tinyurl.com/SupportALC
- Via text to 262-214-3681 with the amount

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

Sun Apr 27

8:30am Worship S

9:45am Blast HR

10:45am Worship EH & S

11am Latino Ministry Event
WH

7pm AA WH

Mon Apr 28

1pm Elder trip mtg HR

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

6:30pm AMEN CR

Tue Apr 29

7am AMEN zoom

9:30am Women's Bible CR

10:30am Boyer Group

Wed Apr 30

1pm Bunco WH

6pm Handbells S

7pm AA WH

7:15pm Adult Choir S

Thu May 1

9:30am TGIT HR

10am Al Anon CR

1pm Hansen Group CR

6pm JOLT EH

Fri May 2

11am Cloverleaf EH

Sat May 3

8:30am Property Day

9am Jubilate rehearsal S

11:30am Private event WH

12pm Spanish Worship

7:30pm Jubilate Concert S

Sun May 4

8:30am Worship S

9:45am Blast

10:45am Worship EH & S

1pm Private recital S,N

6pm CRASH

7pm AA WH

Mon May 5

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

6:30pm AMEN CR

Tue May 6

7am AMEN zoom

9:30am Women's Bible CR

Wed May 7

1pm Pastors' Conference HR

6pm Handbells S

7pm AA WH

7:15pm Adult Choir S

Thu May 8

10am Al Anon CR

6pm JOLT EH

Sun May 11

8:30am Worship S

9:45am Blast WH (Mother's
Day event)

10:45am Worship EH & S

7pm AA WH

Mon May 12

10am Fire Inspection

12pm Staff Mtg HR

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

6:30pm AMEN CR

Tue May 13

7am AMEN zoom

9:30am Women's Bible CR

10:30am Boyer Group

6:30pm SOPHIA Immigration
Task Force Mtg WH

7pm Holloway Mtg HR

Wed May 14

6pm Handbells S

7pm AA WH

7:15pm Adult Choir S

Thu May 15

9:30am TGIT HR

10am Al Anon CR

Thu May 15 cont.

1pm Hansen Group CR

6pm JOLT - last one EH

Sat May 17

8am PupusaFest WH/K/CY

12:30pm Knit Wits Knit Fest
HR

Sun May 18

8:30am Worship S

9:45am BLAST Last Day WH,
MG

10:45am Worship EH & S

4pm CRASH

7pm AA WH

Mon May 19

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

6:30pm AMEN CR

6:30pm PC Book Study

Tue May 20

7am AMEN zoom

9:30am Women's Bible CR

7pm Church council HR

Wed May 21

12pm Young at Heart WH

7pm AA WH

Thu May 22

10am Al Anon CR

Fri May 23

Cloverleaf Picnic PL/MG

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>

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?

- ☐ E-Alert
- ☐ 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)



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