

Fourth Sunday of Easter 8:30 a.m., May 11, 2025

Worship Leadership

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

Acolyte: Zach Jahner Altar Guild: Julie Kinunen Choir Accompanist: Kathy Johnson Greeters: Linda Hansen, Susan Koeferl Communion: Jim Hahn, Julie Kinunen, Jennifer Werner Media: Cheryl Werner Ushers: Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr, Todd Schroeder

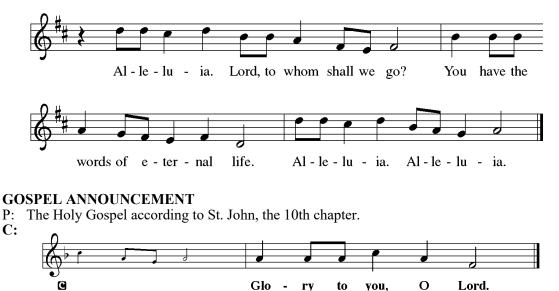
PRELUDE Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing, Michael Burkhardt

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen! **ELW 377** GREETING P: Christ is risen! C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia! 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. 138 **HYMN OF PRAISE** This Is the Feast p. 140 PRAYER OF THE DAY P: O God of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one

- God, now and forever. C: Amen.
- ANTHEM The Lord Is My Shepherd, Allen Pote Ascension Choir

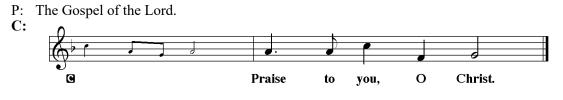
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL READING

John 10:22-30

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."



SERMON

HYMN

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Pastor Tony ELW 502

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Healing: Tabitha Dahms, shoulder surgery

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

Shepherd Me, O God

ELW 780

(Choir sings verses; all sing refrain.)

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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.

GREAT THANKSGIVING	р. 144
PROPER PREFACE	
HOLY, HOLY, HOLY	р. 144

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.

PRAYER STATION

If you desire private prayers of healing for yourself or someone you know, please receive communion and then make your way to the kneeler at the altar where one of the pastors or pastoral assistants will listen to your request and then offer a moment of prayer.

LAMB OF GOD

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Come, Let Us Eat	ELW 491
What Feast of Love	ELW 487
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling	ELW 631

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.

CLOSING HYMN	Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness	ELW 843

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 La Rejouissance (The Rejoicing), G. F. Handel



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!

BLAST Special Activities: BLAST students and their families are invited today and next week before we wrap up ministry for the year. On Mother's Day, May 11, join us for a great lesson and special Mother's Day activity. Come celebrate with us on Sunday, May 18, for our last BLAST. There will be a light breakfast and fun activities between services! We are excited to see you all there!

Wild at Heart Men's Book Study: Beginning on Monday, May 19, from 6:30-8 p.m., Pastor Chris is leading a book study for the guys at Ascension. The book is *Wild at Heart* by John Eldredge. Buy the book ahead of time on Amazon or let PC know if you need him to pick one up for you. The book explores the attitudes and myths about being a man of faith in the world and in the church.



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Senior Toweling: We will once again celebrate our high school seniors on Sunday, June 8, at both services with their senior toweling. Please send a picture of your graduating senior, where they're graduating from and their plans following graduation to Tamie Greenwood, tamie@ascensionelca.org.

CRASH Pupusa & Brat Fry Fest: On Saturday, May 17, 3 to 7 p.m., join us at Pupusa Fest and new this year, we're adding a brat fry! We will do this activity together with the delegation that is going to El Salvador. The funds raised will go for the Kentucky trip or will be used to buy ingredients for the CRASH service project at Hope Center this summer.

Pop-up Tents Needed for Pupusa Fest: If you have a pop-up canopy tent we can borrow, please contact Pastor Edwin, <u>edwin@ascensionelca.org</u>.

SOPHIA's Immigration Task Force: This group will meet on Tuesday, May 13, at 6:30 p.m. at Ascension. Anyone interested in learning more about immigration is invited to attend.

Food Pantry of Waukesha County: Food Pantry Breakfast Club is Saturday, May 17, from 10 a.m. to noon at Red Circle Inn. Join The Breakfast Club event to support The Food Pantry of Waukesha County. Breakfast is included. A limited number of \$50 tickets are still available See their website for more information, <u>waukeshafoodpantry.org</u>.

Young at Heart: The Young at Heart group invites you to the monthly potluck and fellowship lunch Wednesday, May 21, at noon. Come and bring a friend (and a dish to pass if able) for an enjoyable afternoon! Just a reminder, if you signed up for the trip to Lambeau Field, it's Thursday, June 5. Meet at church. The bus leaves at 8 a.m. *Continued next page.*

Scam Prevention Program: Learn how to protect yourself from scams on Tuesday, May, 20, at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 424 Hyde Park Ave., Waukesha, as part of St. Mark's senior group potluck gathering. Potluck at noon followed by scam protection program at 1 p.m.

Summer Worship: We start our summer worship on Memorial Day, May 25. Join us for worship at 8:30 a.m. in the sanctuary and 10 a.m. in the Memorial Gardens, weather permitting. Bring a chair!

Help! Donations Needed: Our Food Pantry and Blessing Box are low on donations while the need is very high. The Blessing Box is monitored multiple times a week and it is frequently empty. Please remember that due to safety concerns, we can't take foods that require refrigeration, expired foods or open containers. Put donations directly in the box or in the bins in the Donation Center. If you see inappropriate donations in the box, please dispose of them. Thank you!

Lost & Found: Did you leave behind cookware from a funeral dinner or maybe a water bottle or coffee mug after worship? Please check the Lost & Found asap. It's getting full and looking sloppy. We will be donating items to Goodwill to clean out the clutter. The lost & found is located in the coat room with the Donation Center.

Read All About It! Check out the May newsletter online <u>https://ascensionelca.org/events/</u><u>newsletter</u> and find out how you can worship, grow and serve with Ascension.

Worship Support https://tinyurl.com/worshipsupport		
May 18	8:30a	10:45a
Acolytes	Simon Williams	Volunteer needed
Altar Guild	Chris and Jimmy Loos	Mary Kolberg, Sue Mathews
Communion	Darlene DiBrito, Becky Pepper	Diane and Rick Dowling, Cathy Rapp
Greeters	Sharon Coralline, Cathy Dugdale	Volunteers needed
Media	Buck Houston	Anna Marien
Ushers	Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr, Paul Wehmeier	Mike Rapp

CALENDAR https://ascensionelca.org/events/

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

<u>Tue May 13</u>

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

7pm AA WH

<u>Thu May 15</u>

9:30am TGIT HR 10am Al Anon CR 1pm Hansen Group CR 6pm JOLT - last one EH

Sat May 17

3pm Pupusa Fest WH/K/CY 12:30pm Knit Fest HR <u>Sun May 18</u> 8:30am Worship S

9:45am BLAST Last Day WH, MG 10:45am Worship EH & S

4pm CRASH 7pm AA WH

<u>Mon May 19</u>

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH 6:30pm PC/AMEN Book Study CR

Tue May 20 7am AMEN zoom

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Wed May 21 12pm Young at Heart WH 7pm AA WH

<u>Thu May 22</u> 10am Al Anon CR

Fri May 23 Cloverleaf PL/MG

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

<u>Sun May 25</u> 8:30am Worship S 10am Outdoor Worship MG 10am Misa EH 7pm AA WH

Mon May 26 Memorial Day

Office Closed 6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

Tue May 27

7am AMEN zoom 9:30am Women's Bible CR 10:30am Boyer Group 7pm Holloway Mtg HR

Wed May 28

1pm Bunco WH 7pm AA WH

<u>Thu May 29</u>

10am Al Anon CR

Fri May 30 GMS Assembly

<u>Sat May 31</u>

GMS Assembly

Sun Jun 1 8:30am Worship S 10am Outdoor Worship S 10am Misa EH 5pm CRASH 7pm AA WH

Are You Visiting?

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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