

# Fourth Sunday of Easter 10:45 a.m., May 11, 2025

# Worship Leadership

Rev. Christian Marien, *Lead Pastor* Rev. Anthony Acompanado, *Pastor* Ben Janzow, *Praise Band Leader* 

**Acolyte:** Grant Probst **Altar Guild:** Mary Kolberg, Sue Mathews **Communion:** Mary Kolberg, Sue Mathews, Teri Quam, Diane and Rick Dowling

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# WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

# **SONG**

# God So Loved

Come all you weary, come all you thirsty Come to the well that never runs dry Drink of the water, come and thirst no more

Well, come all you sinners, come find His mercy Come to the table, He will satisfy Taste of His goodness Find what you're looking for

For God so loved the world that He gave us His one and only Son to save us Whoever believes in Him will live forever

Bring all your failures, bring your addictions Come lay them down at the foot of the cross Jesus is waiting there with open arms (*Chorus*)

The power of hell forever defeated Now it is well, I'm walking in freedom For God so loved, God so loved the world Praise God, praise God From whom all blessings flow Praise Him, praise Him For the wonders of His love Praise God, praise God From whom all blessings flow Praise Him, praise Him For the wonders of His love

For God so loved the world that He gave us His one and only Son to save For God so loved the world that He gave us His one and only Son to save us Whoever believes in Him will live forever Oh, the power of hell forever defeated Now it is well, I'm walking in freedom For God so loved, God so loved the world

**SONG** 

You Shine

Why should I feel lost
When You made the heavens
Why should I feel afraid
When you put the stars in place
Why should I lose heart
When I know how great You are
Why should I give up
When Your plans are full of love

You shine Brighter than the brightest star Your love Purer than the purest heart You shine Filling us with courage and strength To follow You

## **PRAYER**

CHILDREN'S TIME Pastor Tony

**SONG** Cornerstone

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness I dare not trust the sweetest frame But wholly trust in Jesus' name

Christ alone, cornerstone Weak made strong, in the Savior's love Through the storm, He is Lord Lord of all When darkness seems to hide His face I rest on His unchanging grace In every high and stormy gale My anchor holds within the veil *(Chorus)* 

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."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Pastor Tony

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## SONG

# **Stand in Your Love**

When darkness tries to roll over my bones When sorrow comes to steal the joy I own When brokenness and pain is all I know I won't be shaken I won't be shaken

My fear doesn't stand a chance When I stand in Your love (3x)

Shame no longer has a place to hide I am not a captive to the lies I'm not afraid to leave my past behind Oh, I won't be shaken, no I won't be shaken *(Chorus)* 

There's power that can break off every chain There's power that can empty out a grave There's resurrection power that can save There's power in Your name Power in Your name

My fear doesn't stand a chance When I stand in Your love (5x)

# **PRAYERS**

Please say, "Hear our prayer" and sing the refrain from Cornerstone after each petition.

**Healing for:** Tabitha Dahms, shoulder surgery

# SHARING OF THE PEACE

# **OFFERING** This I Believe

Our Father everlasting, the all-creating One God Almighty Through Your Holy Spirit, conceiving Christ the Son Jesus our Savior

I believe in God our Father, I believe in Christ the Son I believe in the Holy Spirit, our God is three in one I believe in the resurrection, that we will rise again For I believe in the name of Jesus

Our Judge and our Defender, suffered and crucified Forgiveness is in You Descended into darkness, You rose in glorious life Forever seated high *(Chorus)* 

# Ways to Give

- Vanco Giving app
- Online at
- <u>tinyurl.com/</u> <u>SupportALC</u>
- Via text to 262-214 -3681 with the amount

# 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.

# 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.

SOLO To the Table

# SONGS I've Witnessed It

When I was lost and all alone Your presence was where I found home You were there and You're here right now In every high and every low You never left me without hope You were good and You're good right now

I've witnessed Your faithfulness
I've seen You breathe life within
So I'll pour out my praise again
You're worthy, God you're worthy of all of it
Your promises never fail
I've got stories I'll live to tell
So I'll pour out my praise again
You're worthy, God you're worthy of all of it

You left the throne and chose the cross Laid down Your life to rescue us The savior then, the savior now But even death was not the end You conquered hell so I could live Resurrecting then, resurrecting now (Chorus)

You're good and I've witnessed it You're strong and I've witnessed it You're constant, I've witnessed it And I'm confident I'll see it again and again You love and I've witnessed it You heal and I've witnessed it You save and I've witnessed it And I'm confident I'll see it again and again (Chorus)

# **Our God Saves**

In the name of the Father, in the name of the Son In the name of Spirit, Lord we've come We're gathered together to lift up Your name To call on our Savior, to fall on Your grace

Hear the joyful sound of our offering As your saints bow down, as Your people sing We will rise with you, lifted on Your wings And the whole world will see that

Our God saves, our God saves There is hope, in your name

# **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 \$\mathbf{T}\$, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

# **SONG**

# I Love to Be in Your Presence

I love to be in Your presence With Your people singing praises I love to stand and rejoice Lift my hands and raise my voice Lift my hands and raise my voice

You set my feet to dancing You fill my heart with song You give me reason to rejoice Rejoice!

### SENDING

P: Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God. Amen.



**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.



- Online at <u>tinyurl.com/</u> <u>SupportALC</u>
- Via text to 262-214-3681

**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, <a href="mailto:edwin@ascensionelca.org">edwin@ascensionelca.org</a>.

**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, waukeshafoodpantry.org.

**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.

**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 <a href="https://ascensionelca.org/events/">https://ascensionelca.org/events/</a> <a href="https://ascensionelca.org/events/">newsletter</a> 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

# Are You Visiting?

Date of	Visit:
Time of	Worship:
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N   B   J(   C   B   C	-alert ewsletter: e-mail or U.S. Mail? LAST (ages 3-5th gr.) OLT (confirmation, 6-8th gr.) RASH (high school) ible study (small groups) hoirs or other music ministries erving others (local/global options) tarting Point (membership)

Please place in the offering plate.

# **CALENDAR** https://ascensionelca.org/events/

# Sun May 11 8:30am Worship S

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

# 10:45am Worship EH &

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 Immigration Task Force Mtg WH 7pm Holloway Mtg HR

# Wed May 14 7pm AA WH

# Thu May 15

9:30am TGIT HR 10am Al Anon CR

# CR Conference rm EH East Hall HR Hearth Rm MG Memorial Garden N Narthex (Lobby) PR Prayer Room S Sanctuary

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WH West Hall (Kit)
Italics Virtual or offsite

# Thu May 15 cont.

1pm Hansen Group CR 6pm JOLT - last one EH

# Sat May 17

3pm Pupusa Fest WH/K/ CY 12:30pm 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 PC/AMEN Book Study CR

# 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 PL/MG

# Sun May 25

8:30am Worship S 10am Outdoor Worship MG 10am Misa EH

