

Seventh Sunday of Easter 8:30 a.m., June 1, 2025

Worship Leadership

Rev. Christian Marien, *Lead Pastor* Rev. Edwin Aparicio, *Pastor*

Acolyte: Grace Paczesny Altar Guild: Gary Bauer Communion: Lauren Birner, Sharon Coralline, Jim Hahn Greeters: Bruce and Carol Dethmers Media: Cheryl Werner Service Musician: Kathy Johnson Ushers: Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr, Al Wollschlager

PRELUDE His Eye Is on the Sparrow, *Gabriel / arr. Schrader*

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son ♥, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C: Amen.
- P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unright-eousness.
- P: Most merciful God,
- C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.
- P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son ♥, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

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OPENING HYMN

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.

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HYMN OF PRAISE	Now the Feast and Celebration	p. 167

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P: O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

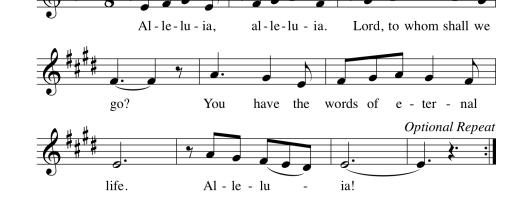
GOSPEL ANNOUNCEMENT

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Congregation:

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 17th chapter.

GOSPEL READING John 17:20-26 [Jesus prayed:] "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have



Pastor Chris

given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. "Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

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

SERMON		Pastor Chris
HYMN	One Bread, One Body	ELW 496
PRAVERS OF THE PEOPLE		

Healing for: Becky Pepper, upcoming hip surgery Sharon Coralline's brother-in-law Jay, cancer Linda Hansen, following a fall and brief hospitalization Kathie Deitsch

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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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.

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.

LAMB OF GOD



COMMUNION BLESSING

- P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in his grace now and forever.
- C: Amen.

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 jour-

neys, 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	Sent Forth by God's Blessing	ELW 547
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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

Blessed Assurance, Knapp / arr. Hayes

Worship Support <u>https://tinyurl.com/worshipsupport</u>				
June 8	8:30a	10a		
Acolytes	Mikael Wagner	Ava Steinke		
Altar Guild	Marge Schroeder	Mary Kolberg, Sue Mathews		
Communion	Marge Schroeder, Paul Wehmeier	Pat Boyer, Mary Kolberg, Sue Mathews		
Greeters	Joan Birner	Needed		
Media	Buck Houston	Cheryl Anspach		
Reader	Maggie Mulroy	Diane Dowling		
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!

Lost & Found: Please check the Lost & Found table in the lobby today. There are some nice casserole pans, Tupperware, stainless steel mugs and more that will go to Goodwill if not claimed.

Summer Worship: Today, 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! Mark your calendar for the June outdoor worship dates of June 15 and 29.



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CRASH: CRASH will have their last meeting today at 6 p.m. We will celebrate the seniors achievements and bless their preparation as they are getting ready for their next journey. Seniors, we hope to see you!

Wild at Heart Men's Book Study: Pastor Chris is leading a book study on Mondays from 6:30-8 p.m. for the guys at Ascension. The book is *Wild at Heart* by John Eldredge. The group will discuss chapters 3 and 4 on June 2.

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

Kitchen Care: We're recruiting volunteers to clean the kitchen as a group every other month. Help us keep our new kitchen looking nice! If you can help, please contact Arlene Davis, 262-542-9119 or by email, <u>ahdavis98@gmail.com</u>.

SOPHIA Immigration Task Force: This group will meet on Tuesday, June 10, at 6:30 p.m. Join us if you're interested in helping to provide advocacy, education and accompaniment for immigrants and refugees throughout the area.

Blessing Box: Please remember to pick up some non-perishable food items for the Blessing Box. Please also know that we can't take fresh bakery or garden items because we can't risk foods spoiling or attracting critters. If you have a surplus of garden items, please contact the Food Pantry directly. Donations for the Blessing Box can be placed directly into the box or put in the marked bin in the Donation Center.

Read about June at Ascension! https://ascensionelca.org/events/newsletter/.

CALENDAR https://ascensionelca.org/events/

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

Mon Jun 2

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

Tue Jun 3

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

Wed Jun 4 7pm AA WH

Thu Jun 5

8am YAH Lambeau bus trip 10am Al Anon CR 1pm Hansen Group CR

Sun Jun 8 Senior Toweling 8:30am Worship S 10am Worship EH S 7pm AA WH

<u>Mon Jun 9</u>

12pm Staff Mtg HR 6:30pm AA Sm Group WH 6:30pm PC AMEN Study CR

Tue Jun 10 7am AMEN zoom 9:30am Women's Bible CR 6:30pm SOPHIA Mtg WH

Wed Jun 11 7pm AA WH

<u>Thu Jun 12</u> 10am Al Anon CR 9:30am TGIT HR <u>Sun Jun 15</u>

8:30am Worship S 10am Outdoor Worship MG 10am Worship EH 7pm AA WH

<u>Mon Jun 16</u>

JOLT Adventure Camp begins 6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

<u>**Tue Jun 17**</u> JOLT Adventure Camp 7am AMEN zoom 9:30am Women's Bible CR

Wed Jun 18 JOLT Adventure Camp 12pm Young at Heart WH 7pm AA WH

<u>Thu Jun 19</u> JOLT Adventure Camp returns 10am Al Anon CR 1pm Hansen Group CR

<u>Sat Jun 21</u> 12:30pm Knit Fest HR

Sun Jun 22 8:30am Worship S 10am Worship EH S 7pm AA WH

Mon Jun 23 6:30pm AA Sm Group WH 6:30pm PC AMEN Study Tue Jun 24

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

Wed Jun 25 1pm Bunco WH 6pm Sing for a Sunday rehearsal S 6:30pm Music Boot Camp S 7pm AA WH <u>Thu Jun 26</u> 10am Al Anon CR

Sun Jun 29 8:30am Sing for a Sunday 8:30am Worship S 10am Outdoor Worship MG 10am Worship EH 7pm AA WH

Mon Jun 30 6:30pm AA Sm Group WH 6:30pm PC AMEN Study

<u>Tue Jul 1</u> 7am AMEN zoom 9:30am Women's Bible CR

Wed Jul 2 7pm AA WH

<u>Thu Jul 3</u> 10am Al Anon CR 1pm Hansen Group CR

Fri Jul 4 Independence Day Office Closed

Sun Jul 6 8:30am Worship S 10am Outdoor Worship MG 10am Worship EH 7pm AA WH

	Key
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

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)
- $\hfill\square$ Choirs or other music ministries
- □ Serving others (local/global options)
- □ Starting Point (membership)



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