



Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 a.m., August 10, 2025

Worship Leadership

Rev. Christian Marien, *Lead Pastor*

Rev. Anthony Acompanado, *Pastor*

Rev. Edwin Aparicio, *Pastor*

Vicki Taylor, *Director of Music Ministries*

Acolyte: Hadley Marien **Altar Guild:** Julie Kinunen

Communion: Darlene DiBrito, Julie Kinunen

Greeters: Al and Linda Maechtle **Media:** Cheryl Werner

Reader: Maggie Mulroy **Ushers:** Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr, Paul Wehmeier

PRELUDE

Komm, Gott, Schöpfer, Heiliger Geist, J. S. Bach

(Come, God, Creator, Holy Spirit)

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 unrighteousness.

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.**

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

This Is the Feast

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

EL SALVADOR SHARING

Amy Koenig and Dan Baumann

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Tony

FIRST READING

1 John 4:16

So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them.

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 10:31

So, whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God.

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

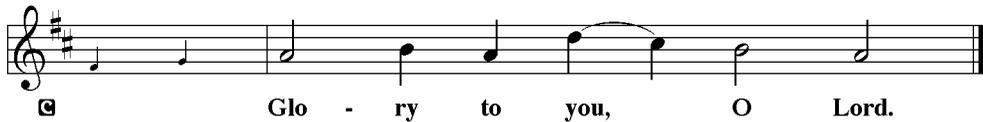


You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL ANNOUNCEMENT

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 13th chapter.

C:



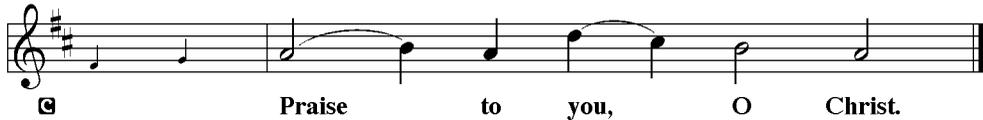
GOSPEL READING

John 13:34

I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C:



SERMON

Pastor Tony

HYMN

La paz del Señor / The Peace of the Lord
(v. 1 in Spanish, v. 2-3 in English)

ELW 646

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Comfort: With Peter Passante for the family of Cicily at her death

Thanksgiving: With Elaine and Jerry Kilgore celebrating their 60th anniversary

Healing: For Sharon Coralline

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

Children of the Heavenly Father, arr. Dan Forrest

Pastor Chris

	Many Ways to Give Electronically
	• <i>QR code</i>
	• <i>VancoMobile Giving app on your smartphone</i>
	• <i>Online at tinyurl.com/SupportALC</i>
	• <i>Via text to 262-214-3681 with the amount</i>

OFFERTORY

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

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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 white grape juice are available.

LAMB OF GOD

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HYMN / HIMNO

Santo, Santo, Santo / Holy, Holy, Holy



San - to, san - to, san - to, mi co - ra - zón te a - do - ra.
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you.



Mi co - ra - zón te sa - be de - cir: San - to_e-res Se - ñor.
My heart is glad to say the words: You are ho - ly, God.

HYMNS

Lord of All Hopefulness

ELW 765

Have No Fear, Little Flock

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COMMUNION BLESSING

LITANY FOR CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF PARTNERSHIP / VIDEO

P: Loving God, we gather today as sister parishes, united in your Spirit.

C: Inspire us to walk alongside one another.

P: For the call to encounter, to open our hearts and see Christ in every face,

C: May we accompany with open minds and generous spirits.

P: For the wisdom to listen deeply, to hear the joys and sorrows, the hopes and fears of our sisters and brothers,

C: May we accompany with attentive ears and compassionate understanding.

P: For the courage to cross boundaries, both visible and invisible, that separate us,

C: May we accompany with humility and a desire for true communion.

- P: For the grace to share our gifts and resources, acknowledging both abundance and need within our communities,
C: May we accompany with justice and a commitment to shared prosperity.
- P: For the strength to bear one another's burdens, to offer comfort in times of grief and support in moments of struggle,
C: May we accompany with unwavering presence and steadfast love.
- P: For the joy of celebrating together, in worship, in service, and in the simple moments of shared life,
C: May we accompany with gratitude and overflowing hearts.
- P: For the patience to grow together, understanding that accompaniment is a journey, not a destination,
C: May we accompany with perseverance and abiding hope.
- P: For the prophetic vision to challenge injustice and work for a world where all are valued and have a place at the table,
C: May we accompany with courage and a passion for your kingdom.
- P: For the Holy Spirit to guide our steps, to unite our hearts, and to deepen our bond as sister parishes,
C: May we accompany each other, now and always, for the glory of your name.
- P: Loving God, bless these sister parishes. Strengthen our ties, deepen our commitment, and make us instruments of your love in the world.
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

Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

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SENDING

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

POSTLUDE

Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer



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!

Outdoor Worship: Next Sunday, Aug. 17, 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!

BLAST Off & Jump In! Calling all kids and families — it's time to get ready for another amazing year of BLAST and our new ministry for 4th and 5th grade students, JUMP (Jesus Understands Me Perfectly)! From music to games, and growing in faith, we've got an exciting journey ahead — and we want YOU to be part of it! Register online today and let the adventure begin! Our first day will be Sunday, Sept. 7, between services. Whether you're brand new or returning, we can't wait to welcome your children into a fun, faith-filled environment where they'll learn about God's love and grow in their spiritual journey.

Young at Heart: Young at Heart's next trip is Thursday, Nov. 20, to the Jacob Henry Mansion in Joliet, Illinois to see Ocean's Rat Pack, a tribute to the Rat Pack, plus a tour and lunch. Sign-up today between services, at the Young at Heart potluck on Wednesday, Aug. 20 or at Bunco on Wednesday, Aug. 27. Tickets are \$88.

El Salvador Sharing and Dinner: Please join the Salvadoran delegation for a night of sharing about their recent mission trip on Sunday, August 24 from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

SOPHIA: The Immigration Task Force of SOPHIA will be meeting at 6:30 p.m. on August 12 at Ascension. Anyone interested in learning more is invited to attend.

Ascension Build Day for Habitat for Humanity is September 9: Volunteers assist the staff and experienced volunteers at active job sites with various construction projects. Prior knowledge and skills are helpful but are not necessary as staff will help provide instructions. Please contact Nick Wagner by September 2nd if you are able to help. nwagner703@yahoo.com

Support Hawthorne Elementary School: Please see the Amazon Wishlist (<https://tinyurl.com/HES2025-26>) to help teachers at Hawthorne get the items they need for a successful school year. If you don't like to order on Amazon, you can make a cash donation so we can do the purchase for you.

E-Giving



- [Tinyurl.com/SupportALC](https://tinyurl.com/SupportALC)
- Via text to 262-214-3681 with the amount

More announcements next page

Food Drive: The Tuesday Women’s Bible Group is hosting a food drive for the Food Pantry. There is a great need for basic food that provide simple meals. Stop by the table in the narthex to see the “Great 8 To Donate” and to drop off a donation for the Food Pantry. The group will be delivering the items on August 19th followed by a tour.

Read all about this month at Ascension: [https://ascensionelca.org/events/newsletter/!](https://ascensionelca.org/events/newsletter/)

Worship Support https://tinyurl.com/worshipsupport		
Aug. 17	8:30a	10a Outdoor
Acolytes	Grant Probst	Claire Cruft
Altar Guild	Chris and Jimmy Loos	Mary Kolberg, Sue Mathews
Communion	Sharon Coralline, Jennifer Werner	Mary Kolberg, Sue Mathews, Gary Wipperman
Greeters	Linda Elder	<i>Volunteers appreciated</i>
Media	Adam Boales	<i>None needed</i>
Readers	Jennifer Werner	Gary Wipperman
Ushers	Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr, Scot Werner	Mike Rapp

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)

CALENDAR [https://ascensionelca.org/ events/](https://ascensionelca.org/events/)

Sun Aug 10

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

Mon Aug 11

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

Tue Aug 12

7am AMEN zoom
9:30am Women's Bible CR
10:30am Boyer Group HR
6:00pm Mutual Ministry
HR
6:30pm SOPHIA
Immigration Task Force
Mtg WH

Wed Aug 13

6:30pm Cherished Study
HR
7pm AA WH

Thu Aug 14

10am AI Anon CR

Sat Aug 16

12:30pm Knit Fest HR

Sun Aug 17

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

Mon Aug 18

12pm Staff Mtg HR
6:30pm AA Sm Group
WH

Tue Aug 19

7am AMEN zoom
9:30am Women's Bible CR
7pm Church council HR

Wed Aug 20

12pm Young at Heart WH
7pm AA WH

Thu Aug 21

10am AI Anon CR

Sun Aug 24

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

Mon Aug 25

6:30pm AA Sm Group
WH

Tue Aug 26

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

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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