



17th Sunday after Pentecost
10:45 a.m., October 5, 2025

Worship Leadership

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

Acolyte: Camden Johnson **Altar Guild:** Cindy Finn, Kris Wells

Communion: Pat Boyer, Teri Quam, Cathy Rapp

Media: Adam Boales **Usher:** Dennis Leatherwood

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.**

SONGS

God Is With Us Now

Everyone who longs for truth
Needing hope and strength renewed
Come and meet the Savior of the world
Everyone who longs inside
Desperate for the words of life
Come and meet the Savior of your soul

**God is with us now
His love rains down, His love reigns now
Saved by grace and power
His love rains down, His love reigns now
God is with us now**

House of the Lord

We worship the God who was
We worship the God who is
We worship the God who evermore will be
He opened the prison doors
He parted the raging sea
My God He holds the victory

**There's joy in the house of the Lord
There's joy in the house of the Lord today
And we won't be quiet
We shout out Your praise
There's joy in the house of the Lord
Our God is surely in this place
And we won't be quiet
We shout out Your praise
We shout out Your praise**

We sing to the God who heals
We sing to the God who saves
We sing to the God who always makes a way
He hung upon that cross
Then He rose up from that grave
My God's still rolling stones away
(Chorus)

We were the beggars
Now we're royalty
We were the prisoners
Now we're running free
We are forgiven, accepted
Redeemed by His grace
Let the house of the Lord sing praise
(Chorus)

PRAYER

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Chris

SONG

In the Secret (I Want to Know You More)

In the secret, in the quiet place
In the stillness, You are there
In the secret, in the quiet hour I wait
Only for You
'Cause I want to know You more

**I want to know You
I want to hear Your voice
I want to know You more
I want to touch You
I want to see Your face
I want to know You more**

I am reaching for the highest goal
That I might receive the prize
Pressing onward, pushing every hindrance aside
Out of my way
'Cause I want to know You more *(Chorus)*

GOSPEL READING

Luke 17:5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” The Lord replied, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you. “Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, ‘Come here at once and take your place at the table’? Would you not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me; put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink’? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, ‘We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!’ ”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Chris

SONG

Holy Spirit

There’s nothing worth more that will ever come close
No thing can compare, You’re our living hope
Your presence, Lord
I’ve tasted and seen of the sweetest of loves
Where my heart becomes free and my shame is undone
Your presence, Lord

**Holy Spirit, You are welcome here
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere
Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for
To be overcome by Your presence, Lord**

I’ve tasted and seen, of the sweetest of loves
Where my heart becomes free, and my shame is undone
By Your presence, Lord (*Chorus*)

PRAYERS

Please say, “Hear our prayer” and sing the previous refrain after each petition.

Thanksgiving: Paul and Melody Maass celebrating 45 years of marriage

Healing: Al Gilgenbach, rotator cuff surgery

With Maddie Goetter for Jannie, needing a kidney transplant but now in ICU with a heart infection

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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OFFERING

Build My Life

Worthy of every song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe
We live for You, we live for You

Jesus, the name above every other name
Jesus, the only one who could ever save
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe
We live for You, We live for You

Holy, there is no one like You, there is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder and
Show me who you are and fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me *(Repeat)*

And I will build my life upon Your love, it is a firm foundation
And I will put my trust in You alone and I will not be shaken
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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 grape juice are available.

SOLO

To the Table

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SONGS

A New Hallelujah

Can you hear, there's a new song
Breaking out from the children of freedom
Every race and every nation
Sing it out, sing a new hallelujah

Let us sing love to the nations
Bringing hope of the grace that has freed us
Make Him known and make Him famous
Sing it out, sing a new hallelujah
(Chorus)

Arise, let the church arise
Let love, reach to the other side
Alive, come alive
Let the song arise

Give Us Clean Hands

We bow our hearts, we bend our knees
Oh Spirit come make us humble
We turn our eyes from evil things
Oh Lord we cast down our idols

We bow our hearts, we bend our knees
Oh Spirit come make us humble
We turn our eyes from evil things
Oh Lord we cast down our idols *(Chorus)*

So give us clean hands
Give us pure hearts
Let us not lift our souls to another (2x)

And God let us be, a generation that seeks
That seeks Your face, Oh God of Jacob (2x)

COMMUNION BLESSING

BENEDICTION

SONG

Build Your Kingdom Here

Come set Your rule and reign
In our hearts again
Increase in us we pray
Unveil why we're made
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope
Like wildfire in our very souls
Holy Spirit come invade us now
We are Your church
We need Your power in us

Build Your kingdom here
Let the darkness fear
Show Your mighty hand
Heal our streets and land
Set Your church on fire
Win this nation back
Change the atmosphere
Build Your kingdom here we pray

SENDING

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

C: **Thanks be to God.**



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!

Read all about this month at Ascension: <https://ascensionelca.org/events/newsletter/>!

Today at Ascension!

- **2025 Ministry Fair:** Join us after both services to learn about all of Ascension's ministries and find a place where you can be an active part of God's church. Whether you are new to Ascension or a long-time member, there is a place for you. Stop at the front table and pick up a folder with the updated Ministry Manual and an envelope that will lead you to a fun game of Scripture Sleuth about the various ministries. Prizes will be awarded in a drawing the following week.
- **JAM** meets in the sanctuary at 9:45a. No BLAST & JUMP.
- **In-person sign-up for BLAST @** Green Meadows, scheduled for Oct. 12. Cost is \$15 per person (under 2 free). You can also sign-up online. Payment is due Oct. 5.
- **New member conversation** is at 9:45a in the Hearth Room. If you're interested but unable to attend, please email Amy Gilgenbach, admin@ascensionelca.org, or call the church office so we can follow-up with you.
- **MKE Wild Church** meets at 2p in the Memorial Gardens (or West Hall, weather dependent). Everyone is welcome. Please invite friends and neighbors of all ages who are not attracted to traditional church services. Led by Pastor Larry Harpster, Wild Church is interactive and lets nature contribute to the worship experience.
- **CRASH** meets at 6p in West Hall.

Ascension Arise 2035 Vision Listening Session: Congregation members are invited to a listening session on Wednesday, Oct. 8, at 11 a.m., about Ascension's vision for 10 years in the future, Ascension Arise 2035. Your input, about your church, is important and welcome as we look to all that God has in store for the days ahead.

Healing Hearts Meal: Healing Hearts is a program that helps children and their families during the grieving process. Ascension supports this community program by providing a meal periodically. We need people to donate food, people to cook food and people to serve food. The October meal is chili. Please sign-up online to help. <https://tinyurl.com/HHfall25>

Ascension Children's Ministry Worship on the Farm: Join us on Sunday, Oct. 12, for worship at the Green Meadows Petting Farm, East Troy. Come for worship beginning at 10:30 a.m., enjoy a potluck lunch, and spend the rest of your day enjoying the farm. Cost is \$15 per person (under 2 free). Please sign-up online <https://tinyurl.com/GreenMeadows25> to bring a side dish to share. Bring your own utensils. Payment is due Oct. 5. Please contact Sheri Greger or Pastor Tony with questions.

10:45a English worship will be held as usual on Oct. 12.

Young at Heart (55+): Join the Young at Heart group (for people over 55) on Wednesday, Oct. 15, for a potluck lunch and Roger Boll on the accordion. Bring a dish to pass if you are able. There will also be bunco on Wednesday, Oct. 22, from 1-3 p.m. for all ages of adults.

Get Connected: Do you get Ascension's e-alerts? If not, sign-up and never miss another event or announcement. We send out e-alerts weekly on Wednesday and occasionally for special notices. Sign-up online <https://tinyurl.com/ALCealert> or contact the church office.

Calendar: See the next page for other events and activities.



Worship Support https://tinyurl.com/worshippupport		
Oct. 12	8:30	10:45
Acolyte (1)	Benji Earnest, Simon Williams	Claire Cruft, Lexi Lytle
Altar Guild	Marge Schroeder	Mary Kolberg, Sue Mathews
Communion	Marge and Todd Schroeder, <i>I needed</i>	Mary Kolberg, Sue Mathews
Greeters	Dave and Liz Carleton	<i>Always appreciated</i>
Media	Cheryl Werner	Cheryl Anspach
Ushers	Dennis Mohr, Scot Werner, Al Woll-schlager	<i>Volunteers needed</i>
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)

Please place in the offering plate.

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

Sun Oct 5

8:30am Worship S

9:30am Ministry Fair N

9:45am New Members

HR

10:45am Worship EH S

2pm Wild Church MG

6pm CRASH CR

7pm AA WH

Mon Oct 6

10am Chosen HR

12pm Staff Mtg HR

6pm Chosen Study HR

6:30pm AA Sm Group

WH

6:30pm AMEN CR

Tue Oct 7

7am AMEN zoom

9:30am Women's Bible

CR

10:30am Boyer group HR

Wed Oct 8

11am Vision Session HR

6pm Handbells S

7pm AA WH

7:15pm Adult Choir S

Thu Oct 9

10am Al Anon CR

6pm JOLT EH

Sat Oct 11

8am Synod Workshop

Sun Oct 12

8:30am Worship S

10:30 Green Meadows

10:45a Worship S

1pm Private Event S, N

7pm AA WH

Mon Oct 13

10am Chosen HR

6pm Chosen HR

6:30pm AA Sm Group

WH

6:30pm AMEN CR

Tue Oct 14

7am AMEN zoom

9:30am Women's Bible

6:30pm SOPHIA Immi-

gration Mtg WH

7pm Church council HR

7pm Holloway mtg HR

Wed Oct 15

12pm Young at Heart WH

6pm Handbells S

7pm AA WH

7:15pm Adult Choir S

Thu Oct 16

9:30am TGIT HR

10am Al Anon CR

1pm Hansen Mtg CR

6pm JOLT EH

Key

CR	Conference rm
EH	East Hall
HR	Hearth rm
MG	Memorial Garden
MR	Meeting Room
N	Narthex (Lobby)
PR	Prayer Room
S	Sanctuary
WH	West Hall



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