



18th Sunday after Pentecost
8:30 a.m., October 12, 2025

Worship Leadership

Rev. Christian Marien, *Lead Pastor*
Vicki Taylor, *Director of Music Ministries*

Acolyte: Benji Earnest, Simon Williams **Altar Guild:** Marge Schroeder
Choir Accompanist: Kathy Johnson **Communion:** Sharon Coralline
Communion: Sharon Coralline, Darlene DiBrito, Jim Hahn, Marge and Todd Schroeder
Greeters: Dave and Liz Carleton **Media:** Cheryl Werner
Ushers: Dennis Mohr, Scott Werner, Al Wollschlager

PRELUDE

Now Thank We All Our God, *J. S. Bach*

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven

ELW 864

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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

This Is the Feast

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Almighty and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

FAITH WITNESS

Steve and Carol Spieker

ANTHEM

Ascend!, *Sandra Eithun*

Ascension Ringers

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. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL ANNOUNCEMENT

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

C:

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” When he saw them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus’s feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine? Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?” Then he said to him, “Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C:

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Chris

HYMN

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

ELW 843

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Thanksgiving: For Ruth Dewitz, celebrating her 103rd birthday

Comfort: For Michelle Shulfer and family at the death of her mother, Karen
For the family and friends of Jim Fenske

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

Ascension Choir

David Cherwein

	<p>Many Ways to Give Electronically</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <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>
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OFFERTORY

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

ELW 182

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Let us pray ... Blessed are you, O Lord our God,

C: **Maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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PROPER PREFACE

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

Voice

Cantor All Cantor

Our Fa-ther in heav-en, Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-low'ed be your

6 All Cantor All Cantor

name, hal-low'd be your name. Your king-dom come, your king-dom come, your

11 All Cantor All

will be done, your will be done, on earth as in heav-en, on earth as in heav-en.

17 Cantor All Cantor All

Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins, For-

22 Cantor All Cantor All

give us our sins as we for-give those, as we for-give those who sin a-gainst us, who

27 Cantor All

sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of tri-al, save us from the time of

32 Cantor All Cantor All Cantor

tri-al, and de-liv-er us, and de-liv-er us from e-vil, from e-vil. For the

37 All

king-dom, the pow-er and the glo-ry are yours, for the king-dom, the pow-er and the

40 Cantor All Cantor

glo-ry are yours, now and for - ev - er, now and for - ev - er. A -

46 All

men. A - - - - - men.

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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HYMNS

Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup

ELW 492

Baptized and Set Free

ELW 453

Praise and Thanksgiving

ELW 689

COMMUNION BLESSING

CANTICLE

Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise

ELW 204

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

Now Thank We All Our God

ELW 840

SENDING

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Now Thank We All Our God, *Piet Post*



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!

NO JAM, BLAST, JUMP: BLAST families are worshipping at the farm.

Coffee Time: Al Wollschlager and family is hosting coffee time between services today to celebrate his mom, Ruth Dewitz, celebrating her 103rd birthday.

CRASH Gathering Expedition: In the orientation meeting we shared about the Youth Gathering Expedition from Friday, Oct. 31, to Sunday, Nov. 2, at Lutherdale. This is a powerful weekend retreat, designed just for high school students. Participants will experience space to pause, listen, grow and move. Cost is \$175 per person. Registration closes on Oct. 15. If your student is planning to come for this wonderful experience, please have them turn in their registration form, available at <https://tinyurl.com/CRASHGEPA>, as soon as possible. Questions? See Pastor Edwin.

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.

Welcome to the LIGHT: Our new young adult ministry kicks-off this month with an event on Sunday, Oct. 26, from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at the home of Pastor Chris and Ileen. We will cook together and get to know each other and dream about ways to connect young adults inside and outside our community of faith. Questions or to RSVP, see the table in the narthex on Sundays in October or contact Lauren Birner, ljbirner@wi.rr.com.

Worship Support https://tinyurl.com/worshippupport		
Oct. 19	8:30a	10:45a
Acolytes	Aubrey Olson, Ruby Olson	Zach Jahner, Camden Johnson
Altar Guild	Chris and Jimmy Loos	Jay and Robin Gallo
Communion	Sharon Coralline, Mike and Sherry Hoelzl	Mary Ellen Comp, Diane and Rick Dowling
Greeters	Bobbi Eggert, Al Wollschlager	<i>Always appreciated</i>
Media	Adam Boales	Anna Marien
Readers	Jennifer Werner	Diane Dowling
Ushers	Jim Hahn, Dennis Mohr, Jeff Rohrer	Brian Smith, Mike Rapp

SOPHIA Immigration Task Force: SOPHIA's Immigration Task Force will meet at Ascension on Tuesday, Oct. 14, at 6:30 p.m. Anyone interested in this topic is invited to attend.

Caminando Juntos/Walking Together: This group will meet on Thursday, Oct. 16 at 6:30 p.m. to reflect on how our congregation can walk with our Latino brothers and sisters. Join us if you can help. Contact Teri Quam if you have questions.

Healing Hearts Meal: The Healing Hearts meal on Monday, Oct. 20, is chili. We need people to donate, to cook and to serve. Please sign-up online <https://tinyurl.com/HHfall25> to help.

Ascension Arise 2035: Ascension Arise 2035 is our dream for the next 10 years of ministry at Ascension. If you were unable to make the listening sessions, you can still have a chance to dream and share with the Church Council. The Arise 2035 document is on our website, <https://ascensionelca.org/?download=18518>. Feel free to reflect and add your notes to the posters on Sunday or email Pastor Chris directly, pc@ascensionelca.org.

Ministry Manuals: If you missed the Mission Fair last week, it is not too late to pick up a blue folder with the Ministry Manual which describes all Ascension's ministries and activities and who to contact if you would like to be involved. Shirley Wehmeier will be at the Welcome Center this Sunday with extra folders if you would like one.

Scripture Sleuth: If you completed your Bible passage game from the Ministry Fair, please return the completed form to the office by Oct.15. Be sure to include your name. Winners of Amazon gift cards will be announced Oct.19.

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

Sun Oct 12

8:30am Worship S

10:30 BLAST Green Meadows

10:45a Worship S

1pm Private Event S, N

7pm AA WH

Mon Oct 13

10am/6pm Chosen HR

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

6:30pm AMEN CR

Tue Oct 14

7am AMEN zoom

9:30am Women's Bible CR

6:30pm SOPHIA WH

7pm Church council HR

7pm Holloway mtg CR

Wed Oct 15

12pm Young at Heart WH

6pm Handbells S

7pm AA WH

Wed Oct 15 cont.

7:15pm Adult Choir S

Thu Oct 16

9:30am TGIT HR

10am Al Anon CR

1pm Hansen Mtg CR

6pm JOLT EH

6:30pm Walking Together CR

Sat Oct 18

12:30pm Knit Fest HR

Sun Oct 19

8:30am Worship S

9:45am BLAST WH

9:45am JUMP CR

10am Chosen (in Spanish) MR

10:45am Worship EH S

6pm CRASH CR

7pm AA WH

Mon Oct 20

5pm Healing Hearts meal

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

6:30pm AMEN CR

7pm Jubilate rehearsal S

Tue Oct 21

7am AMEN zoom

9:30am Women's Bible CR

10:30am Boyer group HR

6:30pm Private event 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 (Kit)
<i>Italics</i>	<i>Virtual or offsite</i>

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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