



**22nd Sunday after Pentecost**  
8:30 a.m., November 9, 2025

**Worship Leadership**

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

**Acolytes:** Howie Leatherwood, Joey Leatherwood   **Altar Guild:** Marge Schroeder  
**Choir Accompanist:** Kathy Johnson   **Communion:** Lauren Birner, Marge Schroeder  
**Greeters:** Donna Savin, Karen Simington   **Media:** Adam Boales   **Reader:** Darlene DiBrito  
**Ushers:** Dennis Mohr, Todd Schroeder, Paul Wehmeier

**PRELUDE**                      **Great Is Thy Faithfulness, arr. John Behnke**

**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.**

**KYRIE**

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**HYMN OF PRAISE**

**This Is the Feast**

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**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

**FAITH WITNESS**

**Scott Greger**

**Council President**

**ANTHEM**

**When Morning Gilds the Skies**  
*arr. Molly Ijames*

**Ascension Choir**

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

**Pastor Tony**

**FIRST READING**

**Job 19:23-27a**

“O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book! O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever! For I know that my vindicator lives and that in the end he will stand upon the earth; and after my skin has been destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another.”

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

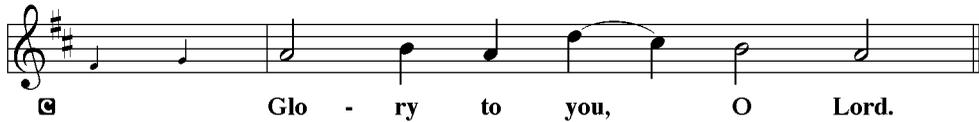
Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

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

## GOSPEL ANNOUNCEMENT

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 20th chapter.

C:



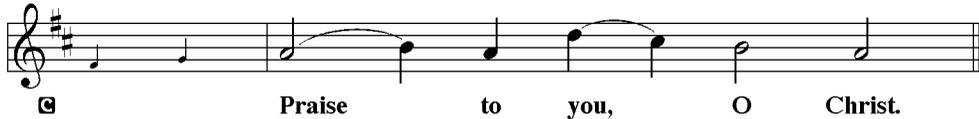
## GOSPEL READING

Luke 20:27-38

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to [Jesus] and asked him a question: “Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man’s brother dies leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married a woman and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.” Jesus said to them, “Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage, but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead but of the living, for to him all of them are alive.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C:



## SERMON

Pastor Tony

## HYMN

I Know that My Redeemer Lives! (v. 1-4)

ELW 619

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**God’s Care:** For Pastor Edwin in El Salvador

**Healing:** For Chuck Czaplewski, following a fall  
For Carol Ziarniak, following a fall

**Thanksgiving:** For 2 great-grandchildren to Elaine and Jerry Kilgore

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

## OFFERING

**Thy Presence, My Light**  
**(Be Thou My Vision / The Lone, Wild Bird)**  
*arr. Sandra Eithun*

Ascension Ringers

## **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.

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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## **PROPER PREFACE**

## **HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

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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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## **HYMNS**

**As the Grains of Wheat**

**ELW 465**

**In Thee Is Gladness**

**ELW 867**

**Blessed Assurance**

**ELW 638**

## **COMMUNION BLESSING**

## **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 journeys, 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**

**Let All Things Now Living**

**ELW 881**

**SENDING**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

**Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee**

*Setting by Paul Manz*

<b>Worship Support</b> <a href="https://tinyurl.com/worshippupport">https://tinyurl.com/worshippupport</a>		
<b>Nov. 16</b>	<b>8:30a</b>	<b>10:45a</b>
<b>Acolytes</b>	Benji Earnest, Jakob Wagner	Callum Reinfeldt, Henry Schultz
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Chris and Jimmy Loos	Jay and Robin Gallo
<b>Communion</b>	Becky Pepper, Paul Wehmeier	Pat Boyer, Mary Ellen Comp, Cathy Rapp
<b>Greeters</b>	<i>Always appreciated</i>	<i>Always appreciated</i>
<b>Media</b>	Buck Houston	Jeff Froh
<b>Ushers</b>	Jim Hahn, Dennis Mohr, Jeff Rohrer	Mike Rapp, Patrick Tkach



# 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!

## Join Us for These Exciting Events Today!

- **8:30 & 10:45 worship**
- **Baptized:** We welcome Adaline Jo Mulvey in baptism today at the 10:45 a.m. service. Adaline's parents are Emily and Ryan Mulvey. Adaline's sponsors are Bridgette Rumler and Kaden Rhodes.
- **Children's Ministry Breakfast and a Christmas Program Rehearsal:** JAM, BLAST, and JUMP families are invited for breakfast, conversation, and a Christmas program rehearsal at 9:50 a.m. We'll rehearse in sanctuary (BLAST & JUMP only) and then have breakfast and conversation in West Hall. JAM students will meet with Ms. Kelly for a quick lesson before joining everyone for breakfast. Questions? Please see Pastor Tony or Ms. Sheri.
- **Budget Listening Session** at 9:45 a.m. in the Hearth Room. The listening session is an opportunity for members of the congregation to ask questions and review the budget in more detail before it is presented at the Annual Meeting. The Annual Meeting will be on Sunday, Nov. 16, between services where we'll vote for a new church council, the budget and see what's planned for 2026.
- **CRASH Kringle Sale:** Please consider purchasing kringles from CRASH students today. Kringle pick-up will be Dec. 7, just in time for holiday gatherings! CRASH students can sign-up <https://tinyurl.com/CRASHSign-up> to take a Sunday morning shift.
- **JOLT Service Project**, 4 p.m. in West Hall. We will meet for our service project from 4-6:30 p.m. at Ascension and eat dinner together. Parents, if you are available to help, we would love some assistance with dinner set-up and serving. Contact PC, [pc@ascensionelca.org](mailto:pc@ascensionelca.org).

**The Chosen:** The final episode of Season 4 is Monday, Nov. 10, at 10 a.m. or 6 p.m. Join us for the last episode before our Advent break and return to the series for Season 5 in January.

**Angel Tree:** Please visit the Angel Tree in the narthex for those in need at Thanksgiving and Christmas. The gift cards will be given to Ascension members, Hawthorne School or Healing Hearts families who are in need. Select an angel off the tree and purchase a designated gift card. Place the gift cards in the box provided in the office. Help ensure that families have what they need for these special holidays.

**Healing Hearts Meal:** The next Healing Hearts meal is Monday, Nov. 17. We'll be serving Italian foods. Please sign-up to help, <https://tinyurl.com/HHfall25>.

**Food Donations Needed:** The need for food support is increasing with the government shut down and the loss of benefits. Please pick up some extra food items to donate or make a cash donation for purchasing fresh food such as dairy, eggs, and meat. The Food Pantry can also use the cash for bulk dry goods purchases to make your donation go farther. For details on the specific needs for the Food Pantry, see their website [https://www.waukeshafoodpantry.org/get\\_involved/give/donate\\_food/](https://www.waukeshafoodpantry.org/get_involved/give/donate_food/) or our Mission Outreach Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/Ascension.ELCA.MO>. Donations can be placed in the marked bins in the Donation Center.

**The Blessing Box** is getting heavy use and we need your help. Please place donated items in the marked bins in the Donation Center or put them directly in the Blessing Box (See posted list of what to donate). We cannot accept fresh items such as bakery, produce or refrigerated or frozen items.

**Children's Ministry Movie Night:** Families are invited Friday, Nov. 21, at 6 p.m. for a movie night. Come and enjoy Elio and some popcorn! Please let us know if you can attend, <https://tinyurl.com/ALCMovie1125>. Popcorn will be provided!

**AMEN Christmas:** Ascension men, it's time for the AMEN annual Christmas celebration, and long underwear drive! Feel free to invite others. This year we will gather at Tally's Tap and Eatery, S31W24661 W. Sunset Dr., Waukesha, on Monday, Dec. 15. Social hour will start at 5 p.m., buffet dinner starting at 6 p.m. Please remember to drop your long underwear donations in the bin at church or bring the night of the event. Cost for buffet dinner is \$30 per person. Please pay Steve Boyer in advance by Dec. 1. RSVP to Steve Boyer to confirm your spot no later than Nov. 21 via text msg (no voicemail) to 262-366-4078 or email, [sboyer@HealthMarkets.com](mailto:sboyer@HealthMarkets.com).

**SOPHIA Religious Leaders Caucus** will be held on Nov. 12 from 8:30 to 10 a.m. via Zoom. This annual event addresses current justice issues and their connection to our faith. This event is open to everyone. To register, see their website <https://www.sophiawaukesha.org/events/religious-leaders-caucus-annual-education-event>) or contact Shirley Wehmeier, [shwehmeier@gmail.com](mailto:shwehmeier@gmail.com).

**SOPHIA's Immigration Task Force** will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 18, rather than the regular second week of the month. Anyone interested in learning more is welcome to attend.

**Caminando Juntos (Walking Together):** This group provides support and develops friendships with our Latino Church family members. This is a great way to get to know our fellow members and walk with them through challenging times as we discuss current activities, goals and share ideas with each other. The group will meet on Monday, Nov. 24. at 6:30 p.m.

**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.

### E-Giving



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

# Are You Visiting?

Date of Visit: \_\_\_\_\_

Time of Worship: \_\_\_\_\_

Names: \_\_\_\_\_

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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## How did God invite you here?

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## 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/>

### Sun Nov 9

#### **8:30am Worship S**

9:30am CRASH Kringle  
Sale N

9:45am Budget Listening  
Session HR

9:45am Children's  
breakfast WH

#### **10:45am Worship EH S**

11:45am Private Event  
K, WH

4pm JOLT Service event  
7pm AA WH

### Mon Nov 10

10am/6pm Chosen Study  
HR

6:30pm AA Sm Group  
WH

6:30pm AMEN CR  
7pm Jubilate S

### Tue Nov 11

7am AMEN zoom

9:30am Women's Bible

6:30pm Hoeg mtg

7pm Holloway mtg HR

### Wed Nov 12

8:30am SOPHIA HR

6pm Handbells S

7pm AA WH

7:15pm Adult Choir S

### Thu Nov 13

10am Al Anon CR

10:30am Boyer group

5pm Children's Choir  
MR

5:45pm Youth Choir S

6:30pm JOLT EH

### Sat Nov 15

9am Knit Wits Retreat  
WH HR CR K

### Sun Nov 16

#### **8:30am Worship S**

9:30am CRASH Kringle  
Sales N

9:45am Annual Meeting  
S

#### **10:45am Worship EH S**

5:30pm CRASH CR  
7pm AA WH

### Mon Nov 17

4:30pm Healing Hearts  
meal

6:30pm AA Sm Group  
WH

6:30pm AMEN CR

7pm Jubilate rehearsal S

### Tue Nov 18

7am AMEN zoom

9:30am Women's Bible

10:30am Boyer group  
HR

6:30pm SOPHIA Immi-  
gration Task Force

Mtg WH

7pm Church council HR

### 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 Virtual or offsite</i>	



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