



Transfiguration of Our Lord
8:30 a.m., February 15, 2026

Worship Leadership

Rev. Christian Marien, *Lead Pastor*

Rev. Anthony Acompanado, *Pastor*

Rev. Edwin Aparicio, *Pastor*

Vicki Taylor, *Director of Music Ministries*

Acolytes: Aubrey Olson, Madeline Paczesny **Altar Guild:** Chris and Jimmy Loos

Communion: Carol and Steve Spieker **Greeters:** Linda Elder, Jan Zastrow

Media: Cheryl Werner **Ushers:** Dennis Mohr, Todd Schroeder, Scot Werner

PRELUDE

Partita on “Deo Gracias”, Michael Burkhardt
I. Maestoso II. Allegro

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

ELW 834

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: O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the bright cloud declaring Jesus your beloved Son, you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us heirs with Christ of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

CHILDREN’S TIME

Pastor Chris

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. Matthew, the 17th chapter.

C:



Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

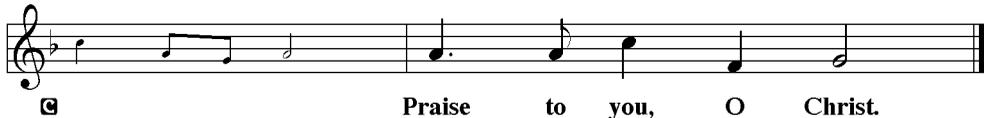
GOSPEL READING

Matthew 17:1-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became bright as light. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will set up three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C:



Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Chris

HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God Almighty!

ELW 413

HYMNS	Now We Join in Celebration	ELW 462
	I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light	ELW 815
	How Good, Lord, to be Here!	ELW 315

COMMUNION BLESSING

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	Alleluia, Song of Gladness	ELW 318
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SENDING

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE	Agincourt Hymn, John Dunstable
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Worship Support https://tinyurl.com/worshippupport		
Feb. 22	8:30	10:45
Acolytes	Brooklyn Stigler, Simon Williams	Kai Acompanado, Bly Dringenburg
Altar Guild	Julie Kinunen	Kathy and Mike Tomchek
Communion	Julie Kinunen, Todd Schroeder	Jeff Froh, Teri Quam, Amy Smith
Greeters	Rick and Susan Kremel	<i>Always appreciated</i>
Media	Adam Boales	Anna Marien
Reader	Maggie Mulroy	Teri Quam
Ushers	Dennis Mohr, Jeff Rohrer	Mark Pichler, Patrick Tkach



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!

Today!

- **Worship**, 8:30 and 10:45 a.m.
- **BLAST and JUMP**, 9:45 a.m. **No JAM.**
- **Love Your Church, Love Your World**
- **Caminando Juntos/Walking Together info table**
- **Children's Ministry Food Pantry collection**

Love Your Church, Love Your World: Choose a heart from the sanctuary window and return the item to show your love for Ascension and the work we do in the wider world.

Caminando Juntos/ Walking Together: Visit the Caminando Juntos educational table in the narthex. Pick-up information on the ELCA's position on immigration. Learn about the different categories of immigration and some facts vs. fiction. Bookmarks and more!

Paczki Pick-Up: Paczki pick-up will be on Tuesday, Feb. 17, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the kitchen. If you come outside of church office hours (9 a.m. to 3 p.m.), please use the kitchen door.

Lent Begins: Lent begins on Wednesday, Feb. 18, with Ash Wednesday worship at 12 and 6:30 p.m., both with Imposition of Ashes. Wednesdays in Lent, starting Feb. 25, we meet for soup supper at 6 p.m. Please see the sign-up in the narthex/lobby to bring a soup or loaf of bread. Worship begins at 6:45 p.m. and ends at 7:15 p.m.

Lenten Book Study: Thursday mornings in Lent, join PC in the study of "The Message of Jesus" by Adam Hamilton. Join us starting Feb. 19 (the Thursday after Ash Wednesday) at 10:30 a.m. as we walk through the wilderness of Lent. Purchase a book from PC or buy one on your own. Sign-up at the Welcome Center.

Thursday Morning Worship: Join us for worship Thursdays in Lent at 11:30 a.m. beginning Feb. 19.

JOLT will not meet for the remainder of Thursdays in February.

Children's Ministry Food Pantry Collection: We're collecting specific items to be used during our Journey to the Cross event: peanut butter, cereal, pasta, canned fruit/veg, and baby items (diapers, wipes, formula). Please donate by Friday, Feb. 20. Journey to the Cross will be Sunday, Feb. 22, between worship.

An Evening of Education on Gaza and Palestine: Please join us for an evening of education, insight, experience and wisdom presented by Dr. Rahman & Dr. Zaidi from their recent medical volunteer work in Gaza. The event will be at Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Brookfield, on Thursday, Feb. 19, at 6 p.m.

Healing Hearts Meal: Our next Healing Hearts meal is Monday, Feb. 23. We're still looking for a couple items and people serve. Please sign-up if you can help, <https://tinyurl.com/HHSpring26>.

February Young at Heart: Join the Young at Heart group (for people over 55) on Wednesday, Feb. 25, (4th Wednesday due to Lent) for a potluck lunch and games. Bring a dish to pass if you are able. There will be no bunco in February.

Sing for a Season: Sing for a Season is back! Join the Ascension Choir and sing for the Lenten season and/or Holy Week. Rehearse with us on Tuesdays from 7:15-8:15 p.m., Feb. 24 through March 24; sing for Palm Sunday, March 29, Maundy Thursday, April 2, Good Friday, April 3, and Easter Sunday, April 5. Interested singers are invited and welcome to join in for 4-5 rehearsals and sing with us on whatever dates work best. Email vicki@ascensionelca.org with questions and to sign-up.

Children's Choir: The Ascension Children's Choir returns for our spring session on Wednesdays from 5:15-6 p.m. beginning Feb. 25 through March 25, culminating with the children singing on Palm Sunday. Please note the change to Wednesdays; rehearsals will take place immediately prior to Lenten Soup Suppers and worship services. All children in grades K-5 are welcome to join us! Email vicki@ascensionelca.org with questions and to sign up.

First Communion: First communion stepping stone classes will be March 1, 8, and 15, between worship services. The Rite of First Communion will be held on March 22 during worship. Watch for more information to come.

New Member Classes: Interested in joining Ascension? We'll have new member conversations between worship on March 15 and March 22. Fill-out this online form, <http://tinyurl.com/AscensionNewMembers>, or call the church office 262-547-8518 to RSVP or let us know if you'd like to learn more about Ascension. We'll welcome new members on Palm Sunday, March 29.

Bill Rudd Funeral: Visitation for Bill will be held at St. John's Lutheran Church, 2881 Division Rd., Jackson, WI on Saturday, February 21, 2026, from 12:30-1:30 p.m. with a funeral service to follow.

February Newsletter: Read all about this month at Ascension, including pastoral perspectives, events and ministries, <https://ascensionelca.org/events/newsletter/>.

Reflections Blog: Too busy to read the entire newsletter? Browse our Reflections Blog for individual articles that might interest you, <https://ascensionelca.org/events/reflections/>.

Prayer Requests: Prayer requests may be made using the yellow prayer card in the pew, online <https://ascensionelca.org/spiritual-growth/prayers/>, by email to admin@ascensionelca.org, or phone message to the church office, 262-547-8518.

E-Giving



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

Sun Feb 15

8:30am Worship S
 9:45am BLAST WH
 9:45am JUMP CR
10:45am Worship EH S
 7pm AA WH

Mon Feb 16

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

Tue Feb 17

7am AMEN zoom
 7am Paczki pick-up K
 9:30am Women's Bible CR
 6pm Handbells S
 7pm Church council HR
 7:15pm Adult Choir S

Wed Feb 18 Ash Wednesday

12pm / 6:30pm Worship S
 7pm AA WH

Thu Feb 19

9:30am TGIT HR
 10am Al Anon CR
 10:30am Book Study HR
11:30am Worship S
 1pm Hansen Mtg CR

Sat Feb 21

12:30pm Knit Fest HR

Sun Feb 22

8:30am Worship S
 9:45am Journey to the Cross N
10:45am Worship EH S
 6pm CRASH CR
 7pm AA WH

Mon Feb 23

10am/6pm Chosen HR
4:30pm Healing Hearts Meal
 6:30pm AA Sm Group WH
 6:30pm AMEN CR
 7pm Jubilate rehearsal S

Tue Feb 24

7am AMEN zoom
 9:30am Women's Bible CR
 10:30am Boyer group
 6pm Handbells S
 7pm Holloway Mtg HR
 7:15pm Adult Choir S

Wed Feb 25

12pm Young at Heart
 5:15pm Children's Choir MR
 6pm Soup Supper EH
6:45pm Worship S
 7pm AA WH

Thu Feb 26

10am Al Anon CR
 10:30am Book Study HR
11:30am Worship S

Sun Mar 1

8:30am Worship S
 9:45am 1st Communion Step-
 ping Stone WH
10:45am Worship EH S
2pm Wild Church MG WH
*4pm JOLT / CRASH Shop &
 Serve*
 7pm AA WH

Mon Mar 2

10am/6pm Chosen HR
 6:30pm AA Sm Group WH
 6:30pm AMEN CR

Tue Mar 3

7am AMEN zoom
 9:30am Women's Bible CR
 6pm Handbells S
 7:15pm Adult Choir S

Wed Mar 4

5:15pm Children's Choir MR
 6pm Soup Supper EH
6:45pm Worship S
 7pm AA WH

Thu Mar 5

9:30am TGIT HR
 10am Al Anon CR
 10:30am Book Study HR
11:30am Worship S
 1pm Hansen Mtg CR

Sat Mar 7

9am Jubilate rehearsal S
 10:30am Private event WH KIT

Sun Mar 8

Daylight Saving Time starts
8:30am Worship S
 9:45am BLAST
 9:45am 1st Communion SS WH
 9:45am JUMP CR
10:45am Worship EH S
 6pm CRASH CR
 7pm AA WH

Mon Mar 9

10am/6pm Chosen HR
 12pm Staff Mtg HR
 6:30pm AA Sm Group WH
 6:30pm AMEN CR

Tue Mar 10

7am AMEN zoom
 9:30am Women's Bible CR
 10:30am Boyer group
 5pm Private event EH
 6pm Handbells S
 6:30pm SOPHIA Mtg WH
 7pm Holloway mtg HR
 7:15pm Adult Choir S

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
- JAM, BLAST, JUMP (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.



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