



Fifth Sunday of Easter
10:45 a.m., May 3, 2026

Worship Leadership

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

Acolytes: Claire Cruft, Bly Dringenburg **Altar Guild:** Cindy Finn, Kris Wells

Communion: Christine, Jackson and Julia Piper

Media: Anna Marien **Ushers:** Pat Boyer, 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.**

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SONGS

God Who Saves

The light of the world shining in love
Taking the fall upon Your shoulders
You shattered the dark as You rose to life again

Our savior has come let Your will be done
Your kingdom on earth as in the heavens
Our freedom is found, Lord, in no other name
(Chorus)

**You are the way, the truth and the life
Your mercy has overcome our failings
The battle is won Jesus in love You reign**

**You're the God who saves
You're the hope of all
Reaching out Your hand
As your people call (2x)**

This Is Amazing Grace

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger
The King of Glory, the King above all kings
Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder
The King of Glory, the King above all kings

Who brings our chaos back into order
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter
The King of Glory, the King of Glory
Who rules the nations with truth and justice
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance
The King of Glory, the King above all kings
(Chorus)

**This is amazing grace
This is unfailing love
That You would take my place
That You would bear my cross
You laid down Your life
That I would be set free
Oh, Jesus, I sing for
All that You've done for me**

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave
(Chorus)

PRAYER

CHILDREN'S TIME / PRESENTATION OF 3RD GRADE BIBLES

Pastor Tony

SONG

Lord Reign in Me

Over all the earth, You reign on high
Every mountain stream every sunset sky
Lord my one request, Lord my only aim
Is that You'd reign in me again

Over every thought, over every word
May my life reflect the beauty of my Lord
You mean more to me than any earthly thing
So won't You reign in me again *(Chorus)*

**Lord reign in me, bring in Your power
Over all my dreams and my darkest hour
You are the Lord of all I am
So won't You reign in me again**

GOSPEL READING

John 14:1-7

[Jesus said to the disciples:] “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor Tony

SONG

Your Great Name

Lost are saved, find their way
At the sound of Your great name
All condemned, feel no shame
At the sound of Your great name
Every fear, has no place
At the sound of Your great name
The enemy, he has to leave
At the sound of Your great name

All the weak, find their strength
At the sound of Your great name
Hungry souls, receive grace
At the sound of Your great name
The fatherless, they find their rest
At the sound of Your great name
Sick are healed, dead are raised
At the sound of Your great name (*Chorus*)

**Jesus, worthy is the Lamb
That was slain for us
Son of God and man
You are high and lifted up
That all the world will praise Your great name**

PRAYERS

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

Thanksgiving: With Janet Niebrugge for a successful heart valve replacement

Healing: For Susan Otto, breast cancer surgery

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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OFFERING

For All That You Have Done

Your grace will never be forgot
Your mercy all my life
Will be my soul's forever song
My story and my light

From mountaintop to valley low
Through laughter and through tears
Surely the goodness of my God
Will follow all the years

**For all that You have done, for us
For every battle won
We'll raise a song to bless Your heart
For all that You have done**

In all our failures and regrets
You've always led us home
Redemption's arm has raised us up
Our triumph in the storm (*Chorus*)

In unity we'll stand as one
As family we'll go
Shoulder to shoulder, hand in hand
Into the great unknown (*Chorus*)

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

Walk Me Home Lord

SONG

God Is Able

God is able, He will never fail
He is almighty God
Greater than all we seek
Greater than all we ask
He has done great things

**Lifted up, He defeated the grave
Raised to life, our God is able
In His name, we overcome
For the Lord, our God is faithful**

God is with us, God is on our side
He will make a way
Far above all we know
Far above all we hope
He has done great things (*Chorus*)

SONG

Our God Saves

In the name of the Father, in the name of the Son Hear the joyful sound of our offering
In the name of Spirit, Lord we've come As your saints bow down, as Your people sing
We're gathered together to lift up Your name We will rise with you, lifted on Your wings
To call on our Savior, to fall on Your grace And the whole world will see that

**Our God saves, our God saves
There is hope, in your name**

COMMUNION BLESSING

BENEDICTION

SONG

Psalm 8 (Hallé)

**Hallé, Hallé Hallé, Hallé, Hallelujah
We're giving all our praise to ya
Hallé, Hallé Hallé, Hallé, Hallelujah**

When I consider the wonders Your hands have made
The sun, moon, and stars, all Your glory on full display
Who am I that You know me, and love me, and call me by name
Lord, I can't help but lift up my hands and sing out Your praise

Oh Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name
In all the earth You deserve
All the glory and the praise, we sing (*Chorus*)

You've established a stronghold against all Your enemies
Oh, praises of infants and children, there's victory
Who am I that You know me, and love me, and call me by name
Lord, I can't help but lift up my hands and sing out Your praise (*Chorus*)

How great is Your name
Hallé, Hallé Hallé, Hallé, Hallelujah
We're giving all our praise to ya
Hallé, Hallé Hallé, Hallé, Hallelujah
How great is Your name

Oh Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name
In all the earth You deserve
All the glory and the praise (*Repeat*) (*Chorus*)

SENDING

P: Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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!

Today!

- Worship at 8:30 and 10:45 a.m.
- 3rd Grade Bibles in worship
- BLAST & JUMP, 9:45 a.m.
- NAMI Presentation HR, 9:45 a.m.
- AFAR Auction & Dinner ticket sales
- Caminando Juntos information table
- MKE Wild Church MG/WH, 2 p.m.
- CRASH, 6 p.m.

3rd Grade Bibles -- The following children are receiving bibles in worship today as part of Ascension's 3rd Grade Stepping Stone: Ivy Adsit, Emily Boales, Bella Buettner, Emma Koenig, Charlie Payne, Isabella Pociask, Jade Romme, Amaya Schroeder, and Sienna Vandermause.

MKE Wild Church meets at 2 p.m. in the Memorial Gardens (or West Hall, weather dependent). Everyone is welcome. Please invite friends and neighbors to the unique worship experience.

NAMI Speaker: Please join us between services today to hear Vanessa Giraldez, NAMI Program Coordinator, present NAMI 101. She will give us an overview of mental health information and help us identify what is typical behavior and what is something that needs help.

CRASH: On Sundays, May 3 and 17, we will meet from 6 to 7:30 p.m. On the 17th, we will celebrate and bless the seniors for their achievements and their preparation as they are getting ready for their next journey. Seniors, we hope to see you!

JOLT schedule: JOLT will meet Thursdays, May 7 and 14, 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 14, is the last JOLT for the season and parent/guardian and students are invited for games, faith moments, and other shenanigans.

Buy Tickets & Sign-Up to Help at Partners AFAR Auction & Dinner: Buy your tickets today and sign-up to help, <https://tinyurl.com/AFARPasta> for our annual Pasta Dinner on Saturday, May 16, raising funds in support of our partnerships in El Salvador and Tanzania. The evening begins with the social hour at 5 p.m. with appetizers while you browse the auction and raffle. At 6 p.m., the dinner menu features lasagna and chicken alfredo, with buttered noodles and gluten-free options available as well. Following dinner, we'll enjoy trivia games. Childcare available.

Young at Heart: On May 20, Young at Heart meets for their potluck luncheon and Roger Boll will play his accordion after lunch. We invite all 55+ members and their friends and neighbors to come for good fellowship, good food and good music!

Summer Worship Schedule: Our summer worship schedule begins on Memorial Day Weekend, Sunday, May 24, when our worship schedule moves to 8:30 and 10 a.m. Outdoor worship also begins that day when we will celebrate our first outdoor worship service of the season at 10 a.m. in the Memorial Gardens. Enjoy the beautiful weather and gardens and bring your own chairs or blankets!

Synod Youth Event at Ascension: On Sunday, May 31, from 3 to 6 p.m., the Greater Milwaukee Synod is excited to offer an event with renowned Salvadoran artist, Pastor Christian Chavarria. Pastor Christian will teach participants how to create their own cross in the iconic Salvadoran folk art style. A pupusa dinner will be provided. This event is primarily for CRASH students, but JOLT students and young adults are welcome to attend also. Sign-up online <https://tinyurl.com/ArtSignUp26>. Please contact Pastor Edwin with questions.

Senior Toweling: We are preparing for Senior Toweling on Sunday, June 7, at all three services. Please let us know if you're attending toweling and which service you will be attending. You are also invited to share a picture of your graduating senior along with after-graduation plans emailed to the church office, Tamie@ascensionelca.org. Questions? Please contact one of the pastors.

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

Worship Support https://tinyurl.com/worshippupport		
May 10	8:30	10:45
Acolytes	Aubrey Olson, Simon Williams	Kai Acompanado, Hadley Marien
Altar Guild	Marge Schroeder	Mary Kolberg, Sue Mathews
Communion	<i>Volunteer needed</i> , Becky Pepper, Marge Schroeder	<i>Volunteer needed</i> , Jeff Froh, Mary Kolberg, Sue Mathews
Greeters	Mike Dian, Linda Foss	<i>Always appreciated</i>
Media	Cheryl Werner	Cheryl Ades Anspach
Ushers	Dennis Mohr, Todd Schroeder	Cynthia and Mike Carlson

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.

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

Sun May 3

3rd Grade Bibles

8:30am Worship S

9:45am BLAST WH

JUMP CR

9:45am NAMI presentation HR

10:45am Worship EH S

2pm Wild Church MG WH

6pm CRASH CR

7pm AA WH

Mon May 4

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

6:30pm AMEN CR

Tue May 5

7am AMEN zoom

9:30am Women's Bible CR

10:30am Boyer group HR

6pm GriefShare CR

Wed May 6

6pm Handbells S

7pm AA WH

7:15pm Adult Choir S

Thu May 7

9:30am TGIT HR

10am Al Anon CR

10am Cloverleaf EH

1pm Hansen Mtg CR

6pm JOLT EH

Sat May 9

8am Parking lot resurfacing

Sun May 10

8:30am Worship S

10:45am Worship EH S

7pm AA WH

Mon May 11

12pm Staff Mtg HR

6:30pm AA Sm Group WH

6:30pm AMEN CR

Tue May 12

7am AMEN zoom

9:30am Women's Bible CR

6pm GriefShare CR

6:30pm SOPHIA Immigration Task Force Mtg WH

7pm Holloway mtg HR

Wed May 13

7pm AA WH

Thu May 14

10am Al Anon CR

6pm JOLT EH

Fri May 15

AFAR set-up

Key

CR	Conference rm
EH	East Hall
HR	Hearth Rm
MG	Memorial Garden
MR	Meeting Room
MS	Music Room
N	Narthex (Lobby)
PR	Prayer Room
S	Sanctuary
WH	West Hall (Kit)
<i>Italics</i>	<i>Virtual or offsite</i>



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