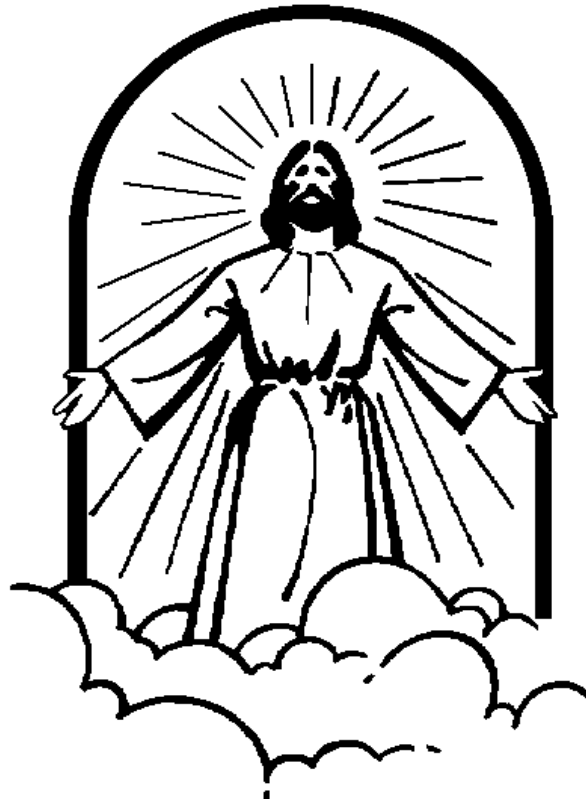


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Ascension Lutheran is a family of Christians

intent on sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ and His victory over death

“I acknowledged my sin to You, and my iniquity I have not hidden. I said, ‘I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,’ and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.” (Psalm 32:5)

PRESERVICE MEDITATION: Psalm 86 (page 140 in The Lutheran Hymnal)

HYMN 742 (Worship Supplement) *“Praise, My Soul, The King Of Heaven”*

A Service Of Word & Sacrament, setting 2 (page 12, Worship Supplement)

FIRST LESSON: 2 Corinthians 4:13-18

¹³ And since we have the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, “I believed and therefore I spoke,” we also believe and therefore speak, ¹⁴ knowing that He who raised up the Lord Jesus will also raise us up with Jesus, and will present us with you. ¹⁵ For all things are for your sakes, that grace, having spread through the many, may cause thanksgiving to abound to the glory of God. ¹⁶ Therefore we do not lose heart. Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inward *man* is being renewed day by day.

¹⁷ For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding *and* eternal weight of glory, ¹⁸ while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal.

PSALM OF THE DAY (*responsively*) – from Psalm 51

P: Have mercy upon me, O God, according to Your loving-kindness.

C: ACCORDING TO THE MULTITUDE OF YOUR TENDER MERCIES BLOT OUT MY TRANSGRESSIONS.

P: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

C: FOR I ACKNOWLEDGE MY TRANSGRESSIONS, AND MY SIN IS ALWAYS BEFORE ME.

P: Against You, You only have I sinned, and done this evil in Your sight;

C: THAT YOU MIGHT BE FOUND JUST WHEN YOU SPEAK, AND BLAMELESS WHEN YOU JUDGE.

P: Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me.

C: BEHOLD, YOU DESIRE TRUTH IN THE INWARD PARTS;

P: and in the hidden part You will make me to know wisdom.

C: CLEANSE ME WITH HYSSOP, AND I SHALL BE CLEAN. WASH ME, AND I SHALL BE WHITER THAN SNOW.

SECOND LESSON: Mark 3:20-35 *rise*

²⁰ Then the multitude came together again, so that they could not so much as eat bread. ²¹ But when His own people heard *about this*, they went out to lay hold of Him, for they said, “He is out of His mind.” ²² And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebub,” and, “By the ruler of the

demons He casts out demons.”²³ So He called them to *Himself* and said to them in parables: “How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴ If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵ And if a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand. ²⁶ And if Satan has risen up against himself, and is divided, he cannot stand, but has an end. ²⁷ No one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man. And then he will plunder his house. ²⁸ Assuredly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the sons of men, and whatever blasphemies they may utter; ²⁹ but he who blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is subject to eternal condemnation” – ³⁰ because they said, “He has an unclean spirit.” ³¹ Then His brothers and His mother came, and standing outside they sent to Him, calling Him. ³² And a multitude was sitting around Him; and they said to Him, “Look, Your mother and Your brothers are outside seeking You.” ³³ But He answered them, saying, “Who is My mother, or My brothers?” ³⁴ And He looked around in a circle at those who sat about Him, and said, “Here are My mother and My brothers! ³⁵ For whoever does the will of God is My brother and My sister and mother.”

The Apostle’s Creed (page 15, Worship Supplement)

HYMN 384 (The Lutheran Hymnal) “*Oh, How Great Is Thy Compassion*”

SERMON: Genesis 3:8-15

OUR SIN, AND GOD’S SALVATION

⁸ And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹ Then the LORD God called to Adam and said to him, “Where *are* you?” ¹⁰ So he said, “I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself.” ¹¹ And He said, “Who told you that you *were* naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you that you should not eat?” ¹² Then the man said, “The woman whom You gave *to be* with me, she gave me of the tree, and I ate.” ¹³ And the LORD God said to the woman, “What *is* this you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.” ¹⁴ So the LORD God said to the serpent: “Because you have done this, you *are* cursed more than all cattle, and more than every beast of the field; on your belly you shall go, and you shall eat dust all the days of your life. ¹⁵ And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel.”

OFFERTORY (page 16, Worship Supplement)

Psalm 51:10-12

The Offering from grateful hearts HYMN 779 (Worship Supplement) “*Redeemed, Restored,*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH, and THE LORD’S PRAYER

BENEDICTION (page 21, Worship Supplement)

Numbers 6:24-26

HYMN 778 (Worship Supplement) “*Grace Has A Thrilling Sound*”

WELCOME, VISITORS! Please leave a record of your visit in our guest book in the narthex. TODAY our usher is Greg Suwanski. Immediately following this morning’s service we’ll take a GROUP PHOTO for the Lutheran Spokesman. After that we’ll have a POTLUCK, then our CHURCH WORK DAY. (No Sunday School or Bible Class today).

FRIDAY: North Aurora Care Center Bible Study: 10:10 AM.

SUNDAY: WORSHIP SERVICE: 10 AM; SUNDAY SCHOOL & BIBLE STUDY: 11:15 AM.

NEXT SUNDAY our usher is Tyler Louderman. SERVICES: NACC: 3 PM, BR: 4 PM.

ASCENSION FRUITS OF FAITH: Our offering last Sunday was \$1,040.00 (needed each week: \$1,157.00); our attendance last Sunday was 18. Our

General Fund balance as of last Sunday was \$1,854.00.

CLC NEWS: Pastor Mark Tiefel of Redemption Lutheran Church, Lynnwood, WA, has returned the call to Luther Memorial Lutheran Church, Fond du Lac, WI.

Teacher Ann Sprengeler of Faith Lutheran Church, Markesan, WI, has returned the call to Redeemer Lutheran School, Cheyenne, WY.

WEBSITE UPGRADES FOR ILC.EDU: Over the past year a significant upgrade to the Immanuel Lutheran College website, ilc.edu, has been in the works. This is now completed. You can access the website by personal computer and especially by mobile devices. You can also receive emails of things such as Immanuel’s daily bulletin and audio of the daily chapels. Streaming and archived videos of campus events are also still available. Please browse through the website to see its many other features.

“For as through the one man’s” (Adam’s) “disobedience the many were made sinners, even so through the obedience of the One” (Jesus) “the many will be made righteous.” (Romans 5:19)

“Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed – in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal *must* put on immortality. So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: ‘Death is swallowed up in victory.’ Thanks *be* to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.” (1 Corinthians 15:51-54, 57)