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Welcome!

We are glad that you have joined us for worship.

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March 15, 2026

As we celebrate Holy Communion, let's rejoice in the various types of unity that we enjoy in this sacrament.

- According to Christ's own promise we receive his true body and blood along with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of all our sins (Matthew 26:26-28). We are united with him in the Lord's Supper.
- This meal not only unites believers with the Lord but also with one another (1 Corinthians 10:16-17). Holy Communion declares that unity.
- When Christians commune together they are jointly proclaiming the gospel of Jesus (1 Corinthians 11:26).

What wonderful unity we find in the Lord's Supper. How we want to treasure and foster this unity. On the night on which Jesus gave us this meal he prayed that all his followers would come to complete agreement with one another on the basis of God's Word (John 17:11,17).

Out of love for the Lord and love for one another, we want what our Savior wants for us—genuine unqualified unity. For this reason we respectfully ask that only those who have expressed their full agreement with the teachings of our national church body (the Wisconsin Synod) or the Evangelical Lutheran Synod come forward to receive the sacrament.

We eagerly desire everyone to share in this divine meal with us. Please speak to the pastor about how we can work together to establish this blessed fellowship.

WORSHIP THEME: I Need Sight

OPENING HYMN: ***Christ Is the World's Light*** (vs.1-4)

CALL TO WORSHIP

CONFESSION OF SINS & ANNOUNCEMENT OF FORGIVNESS

LORD, HAVE MERCY

PRAYER OF THE DAY

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON: **Isaiah 42:14-21**

SUNG RESPONSE: ***Ten Thousand Reasons*** (Ascension Arise Band)

SECOND LESSON: **Ephesians 5:8-14**

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SERMON HYMN: #576 ***Amazing Grace*** (vs.1-4)

SERMON TEXT: **John 9:1-7, 13-39**

THEME: I once was blind, but now I see!

OFFERING

RESPONSIVE OFFERING PRAYER

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

THE SACRAMENT

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

DISTRIBUTION: #517 ***Praise the One who Breaks the Darkness***

Please Note: The center cups of the individual trays contain white grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are labeled on a separate center of the tray.

PRAYER

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN: #319 ***On My Heart Imprint Your Image*** (vs.1)

CONNECTION CARD ON OUR APP

Please take a moment and fill out the info on the connection card, located under the Worship Today button on our app or on our website. There is a tablet in entryway or QR Code on the left if you prefer to use that. Please fill out any information and submit.

THE OFFERING

Dear guests, we're glad you're here to listen to the message about Jesus.

If members or guests would like to give an offering electronically, they can do so by using the QR Code on the right or download our App, which is available at any app store. Those that give digitally can place the "Give" cards in the plate during the offering.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY STUDY: ***Is Christ enough?*** Through baptism God has made us holy, forgiven, spiritually alive, new. In Colossians Chapter 3 the Apostle Paul explores what that new life looks like and how it transforms our vocations as spouses, parents, children, workers, and bosses.

THURSDAY ZOOM STUDY: Lessons from Elijah and Elisha.

MIDWEEK LENTEN WORSHIP: Our worship series, "It Is Finished" explores the prophecies of Zechariah. This week Josh Olson will conduct our service.

EASTER FLOWERS: *Easter is rapidly approaching.* Please add your name and all requested information to the sign-up sheet posted in the fellowship hall. Place your payment **(checks made out to Ascension)** in the envelope provided. Deadline to sign up is **Sun., March 22nd.** Contact Beth Svendsen if you have any questions.

PRESCHOOL GIVING TREE: A *Giving Tree* is in the hallway listing items available for donation at a variety of prices. Anyone may select items to purchase, buy a gift card, or donate cash in the box at the base of the tree.

A/V VOLUNTEER NEEDED: Looking for more volunteers to help with streaming church services and Bible studies. There is a minimal commitment during the week. If interested or want more information please talk to Stu Gilbert.

RASING FUNDS FOR LIBERIA: Help us raise $5,000 for Liberia! Give online or use your offering envelope. So far we have raised $3,175.

INTERFAITH OUTREACH: We are collecting non-perishable food items now thru Easter to help those in need. There is a cart setup in the fellowship hall.

WEST LUTHERAN EVENTS: *Please see the West Board for more information.*

- Sacred Concert "God is Our Refuge & Strength" **Sun. March 15**
- 2026 WELS West Regional Band Fest **Sun. March 22**
- West Gala "The Future is Bright" **Sat. April 18**
- Summer camps are open for registration.

WELS INTERNATIONAL YOUTH RALLY: "Christ Through Us" Registration opens in March. More info can be found at https://welsyouthrally.net/ **July 14-17 | Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio**

THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVED:

- ✝ Pianist: Marcia Michalik
- ✝ Ascension Arise Band
- ✝ AV Team
- ✝ Serving: Flock #5 - Randy Hebb