

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Today	Worship with Communion	8:15 & 11:00 am
	Sunday School Rally Day	9:45 am
	Evening Guild Bake Sale	
	Senior Youth Bible Study	7:00 pm
Monday	Congregation Assembly	7:00 pm
Tuesday	Bible Class	9:30 am
	Worship Team	7:00 pm
Wednesday	Quilters	9:00 am
	Women’s Bible Class	9:30 am
	Handbells	6:00 pm
	Choir	7:00 pm
Thursday	Men’s Bible Study (away)	6:15 am
	Men’s Bible Study (away)	7:00 pm
Friday	Nepali Home Bible Study	7:00 pm
	All Youth Movie Night	8:00 pm-10:00 pm
Saturday	Pastor on KFYO	9:00 am
	Worship with Communion	5:00 pm

WHAT’S HAPPENING AT ASCENSION

JAMES: WISDOM FOR LIFE Come to worship at Ascension during the month of September for a new SERMON SERIES as we look at God’s wisdom for our lives. We’ll be studying the book of James (written by Jesus’ half-brother!) as we explore practical issues faced by Christians in the past and still today. “If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all...” James 1:5a

September 1/2	James 1:1, 16-27
September 8/9	James 2:1-10, 14-18
September 15/16	James 3:1-12
September 22/23	James 3:13-4:10
September 29/30	James 5:13-20

OUR NURSERY is located down the lobby hall in the Emmaus Room. It is equipped with an audio feed that enables you to participate in the service. If you need assistance, please ask an usher for help.

STEWARDSHIP

GENEROSITY THOUGHTS August 19

Ephesians 5:6-7 – “Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. Therefore do not associate with them.” The wrath of God is a real thing and we do well to reflect on this. As the Small Catechism states: God threatens to punish all who break these commandments. Therefore, we should fear His wrath and not do anything against them. But He promises grace and every blessing to all who keep these commandments. Therefore, we should also love and trust in Him and gladly do what He commands.



LIKE US ON FACEBOOK Like Ascension on Facebook to stay current with events, Bible studies, photos, videos and other great resources! There are 4 Ascension-related Facebook pages:

- Church page: “Ascension Lutheran Church LCMS”
- Youth page: “Ascension Youth Fellowship”
- Word of Life page: “Word of Life Lutheran School”
- Young Adults: “Ascension Community Group”

DONATE FROM YOUR SMARTPHONE! Scan the image you see here by using your phone’s QR code reader (bar code scanner). You will be taken directly to Ascension’s on-line giving page. Simply set up your account, using your credit card, debit card, or checking account and donate electronically. Smart Phone users can also download the GIVE+Mobile app from the Apple or Google Play Store



Stewardship Report
Through 8/12/18

Number Who Gathered Around God’s Word

Ascension Location Worship	266
Peace Center Location	42
Total	308

Amount Received to Share Christ’s Love

Amount Received	\$13,818
Budgeted Amount	\$11,289
Surplus/(Shortfall)	\$ 2,529

Sunday School \$7.05

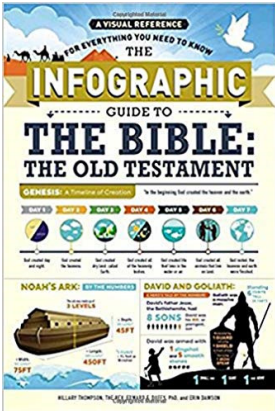
Hintze Library Book of the Month

Each Book of the Month is a new addition to our library and is available for check out.

August book of the month is:

The Infographic Guide to the Bible: The Old Testament: A Visual Reference for Everything You Need to Know Paperback – November 7, 2017

by Hillary Thompson, Edward F. Duffy, & Erin Dawson



This illustrated beginner's guide to the Bible features essential information on the Old Testament in a straightforward and easy-to-read format. Brush up on the Bible with this full-color guide to the most important ideas and figures of the Old Testament. Featuring fully illustrated infographics of key events such as the story of creation, the exodus from Egypt, the wisdom of King Solomon, and much more, *The Infographic Guide to the Bible* will entertain and educate all readers!

CONGREGATION ASSEMBLY MEETING.

Monday, August 20, 2018, 7:00 pm
Fellowship Hall.

Agenda: Pastor's Report,
Treasurer's Report,
Budget Update
Kitchen Update

OVERFLOWING ABUNDANCE is the title of the Wednesday Women's Bible Study beginning August 22, 2018. A DVD and Study Guide written by Bible study leader Donna Pyle will focus on the feeding of the five thousand, the only miracle aside from the resurrection recorded in all four Gospels. Even though Jesus dealt with doubting disciples, fatigue, personal grief, and limited resources, God desired to use that spring day to feed the masses with the Bread of Life. Please join us at 9:30 in the Concordia Room for prayer, study, and fellowship. Contact Marlene Maxfield – (314) 846-3880 – to reserve your Study Guide.

ASCENSION YOUTH TRIVIA NIGHT - Saturday, September 8, 2018 7:00 pm-10:00. Doors open at 6:00 pm. \$20.00 per person, 8 to a table. Call Kathy Thies (314) 580-2074 for ticket information.

POSSIBLE FUTURE PROJECTS As we seek to care for, and continuously improve, our church and school facilities, there are two possible future projects are being explored by Ascension's Ministry Council. One is the replacement of many of the windows in the classroom and office space at Word of Life. By God's grace the student body at Word of Life continues to grow and we want to make sure that our students and teachers have a high quality classroom environment. A second project is renovating the kitchen facilities in Ascension's lower-level Fellowship Hall. Our kitchen is used throughout the year for many events. However, a number of items are in need of repair and updating to meet our current needs. Please keep our congregation in your prayers as we investigate these possible projects!

YOUTH ACOLYTE SCHEDULE Calling all youth entering 5th grade and above. I am making the acolyte schedule for the 2018-2019 school year that will run from Oct 1st through Sept 30th. Please consider joining the team that serves at the altar during services. What a great way to get involved in worship at church. For high school students, it can also count for service hours. If you are entering 7th or 8th grade I will talk to you at the confirmation meeting coming up in the end of August to get you on the schedule as part of your confirmation class commitment. If you are interested or have questions please email me at rwbijhb@sbcglobal.net or call me at 314-481-5260 by August 27th. Let me know the service you normally attend to acolyte at that time. I will have the schedule out by the first of September. If you are currently a part of the acolyte team I will keep you on the schedule unless I hear from you that you would like your name removed by August 27th.

HOW CLEAN SHOULD YOUR RECYCLING BE?

That Unfinished Beverage

Used beverage containers are the most valuable r collected. Unrinsed cans could contaminate other recyclables like paper and attract rodents to your recycling bin and the recycling plant.

Source: David Mendelson, Donco Recycling Solutions



ASCENSION EVENING GUILD will have a Bake Sale before and after services THIS WEEKEND, August 18th and 19th. It's been a while, April to be exact, since our last one and the usual array of delectable goodies are on their way to you. All you have to do is come to church, see what you would like to purchase and hear God's Word speaking to you

OLD SPAGHETTI FACTORY FUNDRAISER for Ascension Sr. Youth Group on TODAY, Sunday, August 19, 2018 from 11:30 am-8:00 pm. Must present our flyer for us to get credit. All proceeds will benefit the 2019 LCMS National Youth Gathering. Thanks in advance for your support!

ABI (ASCENSION BIBLE INSTITUTE) resumes on Wednesday, Sept. 5, 2018 at 7:00 pm. Classes will run through November 14, 2018. Our classes will focus on theological concepts as expressed in the Book of Concord. The teacher will be our pastoral assistant, Trevor Freudenberg. Don't let the topic fool you; the class will be taught at a level that is appropriate for all in attendance, and it will deepen your understanding of Scriptural truths.

LOTS OF SCHOOL SUPPLIES! Thank you for the overwhelming generosity shown by Ascension members for students at Word of Life and other area city schools. The school supplies you donated filled our collection boxes to extreme overflowing! Your help will be a blessing to many. We also thank Thrivent for a \$250 grant we received from them toward this effort.

THANKSGIVING FOR BBQ AND LOWER LEVEL LENNY'S We give thanks to the MANY people who helped make our recent Ascension BBQ and Lower Level Lenny's events possible. We also thank our congregation, and community, for your support of these events. The BBQ raised approximately \$2,500 and Lenny's raised approximately \$1,000! These funds will help many preschool students at Word of Life receive a wonderful foundation—academically, socially, and most importantly, spiritually. Thank you!

THE PLANT SALE ORGANIZATION is pleased to announce that profits from 2018 plant sale are helping with the following youth areas. We are thankful to be able to make these funds available to these groups. Thank you to all who purchased from our plant sale event. Keep April 27, 2019 available for the next Plant Sale.

Vacation Bible School
Easter Egg Hunt
Confirmation Banquet
Jr and Sr High Youth Gatherings
Word of Life Lutheran School

THE ST. LOUIS HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION HOUSE TOUR will take place on Sunday, October 14, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tickets sold in advance are \$20 and \$25 on the day of the tour. PLEASE NOTE: For all tickets purchased in advance of the Tour, you can get your Tour booklet (which serves as your "ticket") at the registration tent at Eichelberger and Childress any time after 9:00 a.m. on October 14. Advance tickets can be purchased in several ways:

Check made payable to SLHNA
Mail to: SLHNA, P.O. Box 190314, St. Louis, MO 63119-6314
PayPal via the form below
Russo's Gourmet Food Truck, located near the registration tent on Eichelberger at Childress, will have breakfast and lunch items available for purchase from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

For additional information or questions please e-mail housetour@stlhills.com.

If you'd like to purchase tickets online via PayPal follow this link to our site: <http://stlhills.com/stlhills-events-2/house-tour/>

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to help with The St. Louis Hills Neighborhood Association House Tour on Sunday October 14, 2018. Ascension is one of the destinations on the tour. We need volunteers to help welcome guests and to provide information about our church. If you are interested in helping please contact Karen Hilkerbaumer (314) 752-9473 or gbomber@swbell.net

HELP WANTED: The Altar Guild is looking for people who would like to serve the Lord in a very simple but vital way. We are looking for people (individuals or families) who would like to set-up and take down the communion ware for Holy Communion. You will be thoroughly trained in the procedures. If interested, please contact Cheryl Chambers (314) 306-8837 or Jan Pendleton (314) 353-5412.

TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY Ascension is in need of a volunteer who would help serve as "Transportation Coordinator" of Nepali students attending Word of Life Lutheran School. This individual would not need necessarily need to drive students to school, but simply ensure that rides are lined up for students to and from school. At this point, we have a total of 5 Nepali students (only 4 need rides). Two attend preschool at the St. Lucas campus, and two attend elementary school at the Ascension campus. Please speak to Pastor or Office Manager, Pam Fox, if you are interested in serving in this way.

**GATEWAY CUP RIDE TO UNITE
RETURNS TO FRANCIS PARK**
Saturday, September 1, 2018 10:00 am-8:00 pm

For more info visit: www.gatewaycup.com
Limited parking on Eichelberger

SUNDAY SCHOOL & BIBLE CLASS

<u>Class</u>	<u>Room</u>	<u>Teacher(s)</u>
Parents & Little Ones	Dorcas Room	Jasmine Duerr and friends
Pk3-Kdg	WOL Kindergarten	Ellen Hetz & Friends
Gr. 1-3	Bethany Room C	Cheryl Chambers, Jane Fryar, Melissa Maxfield And Friends
Gr. 4-5	Music Room	Carl Anderson/ Rich Schaefer And Friends
Gr. 6-8	Youth Room	Sem. Matt Lorenz Dcs. Anna Johnson
Adult Bible Class	Fellowship Hall	Pastor Clark
Nepalese Bible Class	Fellowship Hall 1 st Sunday of Month	Pastor Clark/ Gagan Gurung
Sunday School Coordinator		Lisa Clark

WHERE DO I GO TO STUDY THE BIBLE? Sunday School and Bible Class are in full swing again! Here are a few changes to keep in mind:

- Preschoolers through 8th graders all meet in the same place at 9:45—the sanctuary—for an opening.
- Adults with little ones (babies, toddlers, or too young for preschool) will meet at 9:45 in the Bethany C room (directly below the church nursery).
- Pastor Clark will lead his Bible class for all adults in the Fellowship Hall starting at 10:00 am. He will be teaching the same lessons as the children will be learning, digging deep as well as equipping adults to reach out to children in the Ascension family with God's Word.

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS Our Sunday morning adult Bible class is led by Pastor Clark as we explore the same Bible accounts as our children and youth Sunday school students. Come join us as we dig a little deeper into God's Word and grow in faith as congregation members of all ages. Parents—this is a great way to learn the same material your children are leaning in Sunday and continue the conversation in your home!

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

<u>Class/Day</u>	<u>Time/Location</u>	<u>Teacher/Leader</u>
Tuesday	9:30 am/Concordia Rm	Pastor Clark
Wednesday Women's Bible Study	9:30 am/Concordia Rm	Marlene Maxfield
Thursday Men's Bible Study	6:15 am/Bread Co.	Mike Gibbs
Thursday Men's Bible Study	7:00 pm/Bremer Home	Chris Thies
Sunday Young Adults (20s & 30s)	6:00 pm/Concordia Rm	Trevor Freudenburg
4 th Sunday Young Adults (30s & 40s)	5:00 pm/Maxfield Home	Pastor Clark

**CHURCH
IS NOT SOMETHING
YOU GO TO,
IT'S A FAMILY
YOU
BELONG TO.**

WORD OF LIFE

ENROLLMENT FOR THE 18/19 SCHOOL YEAR is going on now! If you are looking for preschool serving ages 3 - 5 or Kindergarten - 8th grade and would like to tour, please contact Megan Arnold at (314) 832-1244 ext. 112 or marnold@wordoflifeschool.net. We invite you for a tour to learn more about any of our three campuses and highly encourage a visit prior to the end of the school year on May 25th.

JOIN THE AUCTION COMMITTEE Plans are under way for Word of Life's spring auction in May 2019. We are looking for individuals to join the auction committee and help with the planning and execution of the event. Do you like decorating? Join the auction decorating committee. Have a knack for soliciting auction items? Help the solicitations committee. Have an eye for design? Offer your talents to create invitations, posters, etc. Is basket making your niche? We've got a job for you too! It takes many hands to put on an event like this and we need you. Contact Melissa Maxfield at mmaxfield@wordoflifeschool.net to volunteer. We hope to make some headway in planning over the summer. Thank you

2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR THEME: Next year's school theme is based on 2 Corinthians 5:7 "For we walk by faith, not by sight:"

WOL VOLLEYBALL CAR WASH: On Saturday, August 25, 2018 from 10:00 am-12:00 noon, you have the opportunity to get your car washed and help support the Word of Life volleyball program! The car wash is at St. Lucas, 7100 Morganford Rd. The free will offering funds will help support the volleyball team and program. Thank you for your amazing support! We hope to see you on the 25th!
- Coach Sarah Maxfield

WORD OF LIFE ASSISTANT CROSS COUNTRY COACH NEEDED Cross Country is offered in the fall to all of the K-8 students. We have a head coach but are looking for an assistant coach to help share responsibilities. The time commitment is Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 3:00 - 4:15 pm and then one cross country meet a week (days vary). If interested, please contact Nathan Dehn our Athletic Director at ndehn@wordoflifeschool.net or call the school office at (314) 832-1244.



WORSHIP NOTES

PREACHER: Pastor Matthew Clark

LITURGIST: 1st Weekend –

Pastoral Assistant Trevor Freudenburg-

2nd Weekend - Seminarian Matt Lorenz

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: 5:00 Jane Schmidt;

8:15 Gabe Maichel, organist

11:00 Worship Team Gabe Maichel, piano;

Mark Maxfield guitar; Matt Bergholt, guitar/bass;

Gary Notch, drums

ACOLYTES: 5:00 Mackenzie Moore; 8:15 Will Maxfield;

11:00 Nathanael Mays

NEXT WEEK: 5:00; 8:15 Noah Clark;

11:00 Alyssa Hansen

ALTAR GUILD: 5:00 Rich & Bev Schaefer;

8:15 Tom & Barb Eichhorst; 11:00 Carlos & Marla Lopez

NEXT WEEK: 5:00 Rich & Bev Schaefer;

8:15 Heather Riebel & Tyler Potter; 11:00 Marcia Passanise

ALTAR FLOWERS: The flowers that grace our altar this week are given by:

Jim & Pam Fox with thankfulness for 40 years together

Jack Pendleton with "Birthday wishes to my Bride Jan, the most wonderful blessing bestowed on me in this lifetime. Much Love, Jack"

ELDERS: 5:00; 8:15; 11:00

NEXT WEEK: 5:00 Gary Notch, Rich Schaefer;

8:15 Gene Bockelmann, Jack Pendleton;

11:00 Joe Benda, Jeff Stiles

HOSTS: 5:00 Ed & Lois Peek;

8:15 Gary & Pattie Notch; 11:00 The Thies Family

NEXT WEEK: 5:00 Evelyn Gibbs;

8:15 Mark & Barb Shaffer; 11:00 The Brock Family

MULTIMEDIA ROOM: 5:00 Bella Bracken/Noah Clark;

8:15 Matt Bergholt/Bill A. Maxfield;

11:00 Vernon Schmidt/Chris Thies

NEXT WEEK: 5:00 Bella Bracken/Noah Clark;

8:15 Matt Bergholt/Bill A. Maxfield;

11:00 Vernon Schmidt/Chris Thies

READERS: 5:00 Lisa Holderle; 8:15 Gerry Kassing,

11:00 Dianne Thies

NEXT WEEK: 5:00 Sharon Agne; 8:15 Matthew Kobs;

11:00 Paul Brock

READINGS FOR NEXT August 26, 2018

Isaiah 29:11-19

Ephesians 5:22-33

Mark 7:1-13

USHERS: 5:00 Karl Hofmann, Robert Hofmann,

Ed Holderle

8:15 Gene Bockelmann, Nathan Decker, Mark Shaffer

11:00 Paul Brock Sr., Paul Brock Jr., Roger Jensen

NEXT WEEK: 5:00 Walter Scoggins, Walt Simpson

8:15 Jake Bremer, Rob Bremer, Jonathan Gibbs.

Jack Pendleton

11:00 Gary Freer, Dave Jones, Carlos Lopez

PRAYER REQUESTS

Our In-Home Ministry members are designated with an *

The Church Staff prays for you during their bi-weekly staff meetings. If you have a specific prayer request, please contact the church office or fill out a note from the Record of Fellowship folder and place it on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

Christian sympathy is extended to Peggy Triska and family at the recent death of Peggy's mother, Shirley Ann (Myers) Triska. May the comfort of the Lord be with the family

HOUSEHOLDS OF THE WEEK

The Keller Family

Abbey Keller

The Kern Family

The Kesel Family

YOUTH OF THE WEEK

Tika Gurung

Jacob Ingrham

Sarah Stiffler

Keegan Watz

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

8/19 Paul Helfrich Sr., Alex Jones, Dan Passanise, Tek Rai

8/20 Lisa Holderle, Maria Urschler

8/21 Karl Hofmann, Roy Migneco

8/22 Lois Peek, Tony Urschler

8/23 Sarah Coleman, Benton Duerr, Adele Gaertner,
Will Maxfield, Debbie Schmidt, Ryan Steffens

8/24 Tyler Wiederhold

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

8/19 James & Pamela Fox

8/25 Scott & Jane Fehl

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS

8/20 Jonathan Clausing, Africa; Sarah Harms, Eurasia

8/21 Dee Dee Wasmund, Asia

8/22 Robin Wildaue, Africa

ASCENSION MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

SERVING AS FIRST RESPONDERS

Kevin Duffy Phil Green

Ross Hetz & Firehouse Kevin Keller

Adam Notch Gary Steffens

Denise Strittmatter

ASCENSION MEMBERS & FRIENDS

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Andrew Jensen James Keltner

Brian Kitson Thomas Kitson

Tony Urschler