

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

Today	Worship with Communion	8:15 & 11:00 am
	Bible Class/Sunday School	9:45 am
	30s & 40s Adults (away)	5:30 pm
	Senior Youth Bible Study	7:00 pm
Monday	Staff Meeting	10:30 am
	WOL School Nite In Miniature	
	K - 2nd @ 6 pm; 3rd - 4th @ 6:30;	
	5th - 8th @ 7 pm	
	Board of Elders	6:30 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
	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Info Mtg.	6:30 pm
	Choir	7:00 pm
Thursday	Men’s Bible Study (away)	6:15 am
	Cub Scout Troop #34	6:30 pm
	Men’s Bible Study (away)	7:00 pm
Friday	Nepali Home Bible Study	7:00 pm
	Messenger Assembly	
Saturday	Pastor on KFUE	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.



**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**

**GENEROSITY THOUGHTS August 26 Mark 7:11 – “But you say, ‘If a man tells his father or his mother, Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban’ (that is, given to God).”** Each one of our vocations, in the home, in the church, and in society have a claim on our resources. The Pharisees thought that they could use the Kingdom of God as an excuse to shirk their duty to their parents. But they were wrong. Of course, doing it the other way around would also be wrong. God has called us to be supportive of our families, our churches, and our communities each in the proper proportion.

**Stewardship Report**  
Through 8/19/18

Number Who Gathered Around God’s Word

Ascension Location Worship	232
Peace Center Location	44
Total	276

Amount Received to Share Christ’s Love

Amount Received	\$ 9,042
Budgeted Amount	\$11,289
Surplus/(Shortfall)	(\$ 2,247)

Sunday School \$5.00

**CONFIRMATION INSTRUCTION MEETING** Does your family have a child who is entering 7th or 8th grade this fall? If so, we invite you to an informational meeting for students and their families on Wednesday, August 29 at 6:30 pm in the lower-level Fellowship Hall. At this meeting, we’ll go over the new curriculum we’ll be using, introduce online resources for learning in the home, and talk about requirements to be confirmed. Thank you for your support in this exciting time in the faith life of our youth!

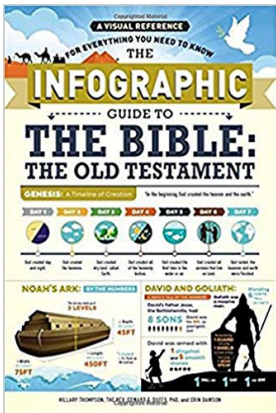
## Hintze Library Book of the Month

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!

**BAPTISMS!** This Sunday we will be celebrating the baptisms of some of the Nepali students who completed our recent bilingual confirmation class. The baptisms will take place at noon at the CFNA Peace Center at 4019 S Grand Blvd. A big thank you to Gagan Gurung, our Nepali Evangelist, for organizing this confirmation class and translating for Pastor Clark as pastor led the lessons. We also anticipate the baptisms of a number of Nepali children at Ascension on Sunday, September 2 during our 11 am service. Thanks be to God for expanding His family!

**OVERFLOWING ABUNDANCE** is the title of the Wednesday Women's Bible Study began August 22, 2018. A DVD and Study Guide written by Bible study leader Donna Pyle focuses 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.

**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 [rbwjhb@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rbwjhb@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.

**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.

**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

**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.

### HOW CLEAN SHOULD YOUR RECYCLING BE?

#### That Little Bit of Sour Milk

Much of recycling is still sorted by humans and those jugs will cause a miserable smell if too many people fail to rinse them out. If too much contamination happens, it may end up in the landfill because it's too much trouble to clean.

Source: David Mendelson, Donco Recycling Solutions



**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](http://www.gatewaycup.com)  
No Parking on Donovan  
Limited parking on Eichelberger

**ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE**

When: Sunday, October 7, 2018  
Where: Word of Life Lutheran School Gym  
Time: 8:00 am-1:00 pm

Sponsored by Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Drive Center

If we collect 20 units of blood Word of Life Lutheran School will receive a grant of \$250. Won't you please consider this opportunity! Walk-Ins are welcome!. For questions, or more information call Barbara Hartung, Parish Nurse at (314) 772-6651. Thanks in advance for your support!

**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](mailto: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/>

**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!

**ASCENSION EVENING GUILD AND LWML** Since January 1, 2018, \$101 in mites for missions has been donated by Ascension members. Please consider adding your loose change, a check, or love gift to the mites collected. Deposit your donation in the large Mite Box on the shelf in the lobby. Evening Guild ladies can bring their mites to the Evening Guild meeting on September 11. Let's contribute our mites to reach the LWML Mission Goal of \$2,306,450 which will be distributed to 38 ministries. A large quantity of stamps has been donated for missions from Ascension friends. Clip used postage stamps leaving a ¼" border, single thickness, and place them in the box on the table in the lobby. The stamps are processed and sold to a broker with all proceeds going to the ministries of LWML. The LWML St. Louis South Zone Fall Rally will be at Ascension on the morning of November 3. All ladies are invited to gather in the Fellowship Hall for refreshments at 8:45 followed at 9:30 with an opening devotion by Pastor Clark. The program will include a Bible Study, business meeting, and a mission speaker. More information will be coming soon.

**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 <sup>st</sup> 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 8<sup>th</sup> 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 learning 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 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Youngish Adults (30s & 40s)	5:00 pm/Maxfield Home	Pastor Clark

## WORD OF LIFE

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

### ENROLLMENT FOR THE 18/19 SCHOOL YEAR

PreK - 39

Kdg-8 - 141

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@wordofliveschool.net](mailto:marnold@wordofliveschool.net). We invite you for a tour to learn more about any of our three campuses.



**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@wordofliveschool.net](mailto:mmaxfield@wordofliveschool.net) to volunteer. We hope to make some headway in planning over the summer. Thank you

**LONG TERM SUB(S) NEEDED AT WOL** Our PreK 3 teacher at Timothy, Mrs. Bolling is expecting her second child this October. We are looking for one or two qualified teachers to cover her maternity leave. The dates for this position are October 5 - December 21. Mrs. Bolling teaches a small group of PreK 3 year olds in the morning and then teaches most of our K-8 art classes each afternoon. We are looking for either someone to cover both aspects of her position or two people to split these teaching responsibilities. Qualified and interested applicants can contact Mrs. Bergholt at the school office 832-1244 ext. 111 or [mbergholt@wordofliveschool.net](mailto:mbergholt@wordofliveschool.net).

**WORD OF LIFE PTL** is hosting our first Restaurant Night @ JJ Twigs on Hampton Ave ALL DAY Tuesday September 11th. Mention -Word of Life to your server and a % of your bill will be donated to support our students and staff at Word of Life. Carry out and dine in orders both qualify. We hope to see you there!

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



## WORSHIP NOTES

**PREACHER:** Pastor Matthew Clark

**LITURGIST:** 1<sup>st</sup> Weekend –  
Pastoral Assistant Trevor Freudenburg-  
2<sup>nd</sup> 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; 8:15 Noah Clark;  
11:00 Alyssa Hansen  
**NEXT WEEK:** 5:00 Aleece Keller; 8:15 Jordan Ingrham;  
11:00 Henry Brink/Saraswoti Gurung

**ALTAR GUILD:** 5:00 Rich & Bev Schaefer;  
8:15 Heather Riebel & Tyler Potter; 11:00 Marcia Passanise  
**NEXT WEEK:** 5:00 Pam Scoggins;  
8:15 Heather Riebel & Tyler Potter; 11:00 Marcia Passanise

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The flowers that grace our altar this week are given by:  
Darlene Wiederhold in memory of Gene who went to be with the Lord 3 years ago  
Gerry & Karen Hilkerbaumer with thanks to God for our healthy and delightful grandsons, Miles & Paxton  
Charlene Cook wishing Happy Birthday to John Cook & Bill Bauer on 8/30 and Carla on 9/3  
Carl Anderson in memory of my beloved wife Linda

**ELDERS:** 5:00 Gary Notch, Rich Schaefer;  
8:15 Gene Bockelmann, Jack Pendleton;  
11:00 Joe Benda, Jeff Stiles  
**NEXT WEEK:** 5:00; 8:15; 11:00

**HOSTS:** 5:00 Evelyn Gibbs; 8:15 Mark & Barb Shaffer;  
11:00 The Brock Family  
**NEXT WEEK:** 5:00 Walt Simpson;  
8:15 Clarence & Carol Goetsch; 11:00 Dianne Thies

**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 Sharon Agne; 8:15 Matthew Kobs;  
11:00 Paul Brock  
**NEXT WEEK:** 5:00 Rich Seifert; 8:15 Doug Pfitzinger,  
11:00 Debbie Schmidt

**READINGS FOR NEXT** September 2, 2018  
Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9  
James 1:1, 16-27  
Mark 7:14-23

**USHERS:** 5:00 Walter Scoggins, Walt Simpson  
8:15 Jake Bremer, Rob Bremer, Jonathan Gibbs,  
Jack Pendleton  
11:00 Gary Freer, Dave Jones, Carlos Lopez  
**NEXT WEEK:** 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

## 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.

### HOUSEHOLDS OF THE WEEK

Robert & Lawanda Kieffer  
Kenneth Kinkade  
Barbara Kirby  
The Kitson Family

### YOUTH OF THE WEEK

Tyler Kern  
Grace Maleas  
Cody Wheeler  
Keerstin Wiederhold

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

8/26 Jan Pendleton, Jashu Rai, Rose Seifert  
8/27 John Headrick, Joseph Loesche, Diana Pisoni  
8/28 Clara Loesche, Jacob Loesche  
8/29 Kristin Arand, Marian Bergman, Carol Goetsch,  
Helen Todd, Ronnie Todd  
8/30 William Bauer, John Cook  
8/31 Lisa Edinger, Luke Manning, Suzanne Shaffer,  
Miles Yocum  
9/1 Charlene Cheney, Dave Jones, Robert Morton Jr.

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

8/26 Darryl & Laurie Wallach  
8/28 Erin & Brian Franceschi, Thomas & Donna Hinton  
8/30 Michael & Karen Reeves

### MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS

8/27 Lenita Campbell, Gary, Ind; Maggie Oliver, Asia;  
Elizabeth Warren, Latin America and Caribbean 8/28  
Douglas Thompson, Africa  
8/29 Michael Ritzman, Asia  
9/1 Jamie DiLiberto, Latin America and Caribbean

### 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