

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

Today	Worship with Communion	8:15 & 11:00 am
	Bible Class/Sunday School	9:45 am
	Lower Level Lenny’s	7:30 am-10:30 am
	Senior Youth Bible Study	7:00 pm
Monday	Ministry Council	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
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
Saturday	Men’s Club	8:00 am
	Pastor on KFYO	9:00 am
	Worship with Communion	5:00 pm
	Blood Pressure Screening	4:30- pm – 4:55 pm
	Back Pack Blessing	
Next Sunday	Rally Day	
	Back Pack Blessing	

**WHAT’S HAPPENING AT ASCENSION**

**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 5**

**Ephesians 4:1 – “I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you were called.”** The callings we have from the Lord are our “vocations.” Here Paul talks about our vocation as Christian. We are called to be His people and to reflect His love, generosity, and peace within the Church.

**Stewardship Report**

Through 7/29/18

Number Who Gathered Around God’s Word

Ascension Location Worship	197
Peace Center Location	41
<b>Total</b>	<b>238</b>

Amount Received to Share Christ’s Love

Amount Received	\$ 6,206
Budgeted Amount	\$11,289
<b>Surplus/(Shortfall)</b>	<b>(\$ 5,083)</b>

Sunday School \$00

**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.

**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!

**HOW CLEAN SHOULD YOUR RECYCLING BE?**

That Greasy Pizza Box



Be sure to empty out the box: A little bit of pizza grease will dilute the recycling process, but leaving melted cheese or pizza crust in your box could contaminate a whole bail of recycled paper.

Source: David Mendelson, Donco Recycling Solutions

**THIS WEEK’S BULLETIN COVER:** Thank you, Anna Muhlke, for drawing this week’s bulletin cover!

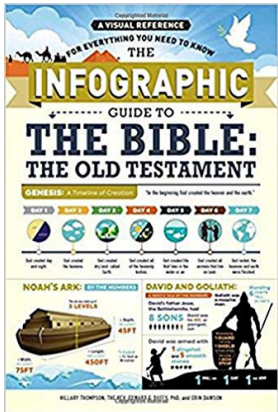
## Hintze Library Book of the Month

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!

**SCHOOL SUPPLY DONATIONS NEEDED** Ascension is collecting school supplies to be distributed at WOL/Mt. Olive. We have received a \$250 Thrivent Grant to get things started, but need more donations. Items such as Backpacks, Crayons, Erasers, Glue, Earbuds/Headphones for Computers, Kleenex, Markers, Mead Composition Notebooks, Spiral Bound Wide-Ruled Notebooks, Water Colors, Loose-Leaf Paper (Wide and College Ruled), Pencils (#2 lead), Pencil Bags (Zippered), Rulers and Scissors are needed. **Donations can be placed in the box in the Church lobby through August 12<sup>th</sup>**

**ASCENSION EVENING GUILD** will have a Bake Sale before and after services 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.

## BEST LOVED HYMNS/SONGS TO DATE

- 1.
2. **How Great Thou Art**
3. **In Christ Alone**
4. **A Mighty Fortress is Our God**
5. **Go, My Children with My Blessing**
6. **I Know That My Redeemer Lives**
7. **On Eagles' Wings**
8. **What a Friend We Have in Jesus**
9. **Lift High the Cross**
10. **Abide With Me**



**HYMN SERMON SERIES ENCORE!** Have you liked our summer sermon series, "Songs of Ascension?" If so, you'll be happy to hear it's coming back for an encore performance! Join us the weekend after we announce our #1 hymn when we'll sing stanzas of all 10 of our top hymns in each of our three services! The sermon that weekend will also focus on a mystery hymn that came in at #11 in our surveys. This "encore performance" will be the weekend of August 11 and 12.

**OLD SPAGHETTI FACTORY FUNDRAISER** for Ascension Sr. Youth Group on 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!

**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!

## CONGREGATION ASSEMBLY MEETING.

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

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

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

**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](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/>

**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.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL & BIBLE CLASS

Class	Room	Teacher(s)
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!

**SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BIBLE CLASS** Through Sunday, August 12, Ascension Sunday school students in preschool through junior high, will meet in the Youth Room. Toddling to Jesus families will continue to meet in their regular space. Pastor's adult Bible class will meet in the Fellowship Hall for a study of the 4-Part DVD series, "Christ or Caricature?" featuring Dr. Paul Maier.

## 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 s	7:00 pm/Bremer Home	Chris Thies
Sunday Young Adults (20s & 30s)	6:00 pm/Concordia Rm	Trevor Freudenburg
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Young Adults (30s & 40s)	5:00 pm/Maxfield Home	Pastor Clark

**CHURCH  
IS NOT SOMETHING  
YOU GO TO,  
IT'S SOMETHING  
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](mailto: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](mailto: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:"

**GRADE 8 TEACHER UPDATE** Praise God for prayers answered. Chuck Dreesen has accepted the position of 8<sup>th</sup> Grade teacher at WOL. We welcome Mr. Dreesen to the WOL staff.

**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



## WORSHIP NOTES

**PREACHER:** Pastor Matthew Clark

**LITURGIST:** 1<sup>st</sup> Weekend –

Pastoral Assistant Trevor Freudenburg-  
3<sup>rd</sup> Weekend - Seminarian Matt Lorenz

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC:** 5:00 & 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 Will Moffat; 8:15 Sophia LaBrier;

11:00 Paul Brock/Saraswoti Gurung

**NEXT WEEK:** 5:00 Kate Moffat; 8:15 Allyson Brink;  
11:00 Gavin Schulz

**ALTAR GUILD:** 5:00 The Moffat Family;  
8:15 Tom & Barb Eichhorst 11:00 Carlos & Marla Lopez  
**NEXT WEEK:** 5:00 Rich & Bev Schaefer;  
8:15 Tom & Barb Eichhorst; 11:00 Carlos & Marla Lopez

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The flowers that grace our altar this week  
are given by:  
Doug & Nancy Pfitzinger with thanks to God for 36 years of  
marriage  
Dave & Laurie Jones with thankfulness to God for many  
blessing received

**ELDERS:** 5:00 Gary Notch;  
8:15 Gene Bockelmann, Jack Pendleton;  
11:00 Jeff Stiles

**NEXT WEEK:** 5:00 Mark Maxfield, Rich Schaefer;  
8:15 Gene Bockelmann, Jack Pendleton;  
11:00 Mark Maxfield

**HOSTS:** 5:00 Rich & Bev Schaefer;  
8:15 Mike & Debbie Gibbs; 11:00 The Benda Family  
**NEXT WEEK:** 5:00 Shari Hill-Stout;  
8:15 The Bremer Family; 11:00 Dan & Marcia Passanise

**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 Randy Agne; 8:15 John Brink;  
11:00 Troy Hansen  
**NEXT WEEK:** 5:00 Jane Fryar; 8:15 Laura Brink,  
11:00 Caroline Arnold

**READINGS FOR NEXT** August 12, 2018

1 Kings 19:1-8  
Ephesians 4:17-5:2  
John 6:35-51

**USHERS:** 5:00 Karl Hofmann, Robert Hofmann,  
Ed Holderle  
8:15 Gene Bocklemann, 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.

### HOUSEHOLDS OF THE WEEK

David Jones  
Emily Jones  
Erica Jones  
The Jurkiewicz Family

### YOUTH OF THE WEEK

Anish Gurung  
Bhumika Gurung  
Tristan Rabun  
Samuel Reeves

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

8/5 Hanna Schulz, Dianne Thies, David Wiederhold  
8/6 Micah Stiles  
8/7 Kathy Thies  
8/8 Rosalina Maxfield, Heather Stiles  
8/11 Nathan Decker

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

8/5 Bill A. & Melissa Maxfield  
8/7 Douglas & Nancy Pfitzinger  
8/11 Robert & Lawanda Kieffer

### MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS

### 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