

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Today	Worship with Communion	8:15 & 11:00 am
	Bible Class/Sunday School	9:45 am
	Blood Pressure Screening	9:30 am-10:55 am
	Lancer Singers	11:00 am
	Youth Disciples	12:00 pm-3:00 pm
	Jr. Youth	3:00 pm-5:30 pm
	Sr. Youth “The Gathering”	4:30 pm-8:00 pm
	YAG (Young Adults 20s & 30s)	6:30 pm
Monday	Ministry Council	7:00 pm
	Boy Scout Committee Mtg.	7:00 pm
Tuesday	NO Bible Class	
	Worship Team	7:00 pm
	WOL/LHSS Family Make Up Mtg.	7:00 pm
	Evening Guild	7:00 pm
Wednesday	Quilters	9:00 am
	Women’s Bible Class	9:30 am
	Handbells	6:00 pm
	7 th & 8 th Grade Confirmation	6:30 pm
	Choir	7:00 pm
	ABI	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
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 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”

STEWARDSHIP

Sept. 9 James 2:2 – “For if a man wearing a gold ring and fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in.” God shows no partiality: rich and poor alike are called into the Kingdom. And both rich and poor alike have something to contribute to the Kingdom in accordance with the callings God has given them in their lives. This is why both the Old and New Testaments talk about proportional giving – that is, giving a proportion of our income to the Lord’s work. This makes it possible for rich and poor alike to have the honor of supporting God’s work.

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 9/2/18	
Number Who Gathered Around God’s Word	
Ascension Location Worship	275
Peace Center Location	00
Total	275
Amount Received to Share Christ’s Love	
Amount Received	\$10,999
Budgeted Amount	\$11,289
Surplus/(Shortfall)	(\$ 290)
Sunday School \$7.45	



FOUR-PART FOCUS Who are we as a congregation? What are Ascension’s priorities? Where do we focus our stewardship of time, talents, and treasure? How do we live out our mission “Loved by Christ, Sharing Christ’s Love?” To help answer these questions, Ascension has adopted a Four-Fold Focus: 1. Outreach through Word of Life 2. Christian Friends of New Americans Partnership 3. Worship and Spiritual Life 4. Multigenerational/Intergenerational Ministry.



HOW CLEAN SHOULD YOUR RECYCLING BE?

That Annoying Jar of Tomato Sauce

Rinsing out glass is really important. Recycling is not about collection - it's economics, just like any other business. The dirtier you leave your jars, the more it needs cleaning at the plant, and that costs money. The cleaner the recyclable, the cheaper it is to recycle. Keeping the recycling process cheap makes it more efficient, in the same way that buying recycled goods increases the demand for recycled goods.

Source: David Mendelson, Donco Recycling Solutions

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.

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

FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT TEAM

At our most recent Congregational Assembly meeting, it was decided that Ascension assemble a team of people to evaluate the physical needs of both our church and school. This Facilities Improvement Team will work to determine the approximate cost of meeting needs, as well as prioritizing needs. We're anticipating this being a comprehensive 10 year plan. We're thankful for the many individuals who have already volunteered to serve on this team. It looks to be a group that has both the skill, and heart, for improving our facilities for outreach and ministry. The congregation has requested that this team report back with their recommendations by March 1, 2019. Please keep the Facilities Improvement Team in your prayers!

Hintze Library Book of the Month

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

September's books of the month are:

God I Need to Talk to You About . . .



24 Child-friendly text and illustrations help children think and pray about behaviors they encounter in daily life. The books express that all sinful behaviors are forgiven through Jesus' sacrifice on

the cross and encourage children to go to God in prayer any time they feel tempted or troubled. Scripture examples help children apply what they learn to their lives.

Bad Manners, Bad Words, Bedtime, Being a Bad Sport, Bullying, Cheating, Disrespect, Feeling Sad, Greed, Healthy Eating, Homework, Hurting Others, Laziness, Lying, My Bad Temper, My Parents, Paying Attention, School, Sharing, Stealing, Talking Back, Vandalism, Video Games, Whining

THE YOUNG ADULT GROUP (20s & 30s) is starting up again! This session we will look at the book *Being Lutheran* by A. Trevor Sutton. We'll meet on Sunday evenings from 6:30 pm until 8:00 pm in the Concordia Room, starting on September 9th. Join us for food and fellowship as we dive into what it means to be Lutheran (it's really all about Jesus)!

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.

WELCOME, LANCER SINGERS! The Lancer Singers, the premier vocal choir at Lutheran High School South, will be visiting Ascension at our 11:00 am service on Sunday, September 9, 2018. Consider attending this service to show support for the Lancer Singers and to also enjoy some remarkable vocal worship music. It should be awesome, and we're honored to host this group!

CASSEROLE FUNDRAISER See the display ion the church lobby. Proceeds benefit youth attending the Missouri District Jr. High Youth Retreat. Order yours today!

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

ATTENTION ALL ASCENSION WOMEN! There will be an Advent by Candlelight planning meeting on Monday, Oct. 8th at 7:00 p.m. in the Concordia Room. Please come to give ideas, support and help for this event, which will be held this year on Sunday, Dec. 2nd. Your input is needed! The meeting will be short - under one hour. If you have any questions, please call Lisa Holderle at 314-849-9945.

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 1/4" 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.

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!

<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 YAGs (Young Adult Group-20s & 30s)	6:00 pm/Concordia Rm	Trevor Freudenburg
4 th Sunday Youngish Adults (30s & 40s)	5:00 pm/Maxfield Home	Pastor Clark

WHAT'S NEW IN OUR COFFEE AREAS? If you guessed a coffee donation can, you would be right! We are running a bit of a deficit in our coffee fund and are asking for your extra change (or dollars) to help with this expense. Or you could make a donation using a designated envelope, clearly marked "Coffee Fund". Thanks to all for your support!

Baptized into the family of God at the Peace Center on 8/26/2018 was:



Dil Maya Rai
Santa Rai
Tula Dhan Rai

Confirmed as a Communicant of Ascension Lutheran Church on 9/2/2018 was:

Tula Rai
Shanti Rai
Dilu Rai
John Gurung
Saru Gurung
Samitra Gurung
Manila Rai
Simran Rai



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

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
Gr. 9-12	Church Lobby	Lisa Clark Rob Bremer
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.

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@wordoflifeschool.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@wordoflifeschool.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@wordoflifeschool.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!

WORSHIP NOTES

PREACHER: Pastor Matthew Clark

LITURGIST: 1st Weekend -

Pastoral Assistant Trevor Freudenburg-

2nd Weekend - Seminarian Matt Lorenz

3rd Weekend -

4th Weekend - 8:15 Seminarian John Kyled

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: 5:00 & 8:15 Gabe Maichel, organist;

8:15 Ascension Choir;

11:00 Lancer Singers; Worship Team Gabe Maichel, piano;

Mark Maxfield guitar; Matt Bergholt, guitar/bass;

Gary Notch, drums

ACOLYTES: 5:00 Kayla Loesche; 8:15 Anna Muhlke;

11:00 Jaylee Schulz/Tyler Kern

NEXT WEEK: 5:00 Liam Rabun; 8:15 Sophia LaBrier

11:00 Paul Brock Jr.

ALTAR GUILD: 5:00 Pam Scoggins;

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

NEXT WEEK: 5:00 Pam Scoggins;

8:15 Laura Lane; 11:00 Pam & Melissa Fox

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

Evelyn Gibbs in loving memory of my mon & dad, Ruth & John Good Ed & Lois Peek with thanks and praise to God for His Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior

ELDERS: 5:00 Rich Schaefer;

8:15 Jack Pendleton; 11:00 Randy Agne

NEXT WEEK: 5:00 Randy Agne, Gary Notch;

8:15 Jack Pendleton, Jeff Stiles; 11:00 Randy Agne, Mark Maxfield

HOSTS: 5:00 The Loesche Family;

8:15 The Bill A. Maxfield Family; 11:00 Bill L. & Marlene Maxfield

NEXT WEEK: 5:00 Randy & Sharon Agne;

8:15 Arlene Headrick; 11:00 The Muhlke 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 Mary Pastor;

11:00 Sarah Hansen

NEXT WEEK: 5:00 Mary Pastor; 8:15 Melissa Maxfield,

11:00 Marlene Maxfield

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK September 16, 2018

Isaiah 50:4-10

James 3:1-12

Mark 9:14-29

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 Bocklemann, 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

Gertrude Kuessner

The Kuhl/Emmons Family

The Kuntz Family

The LaBrier Family

YOUTH OF THE WEEK

Olivia Muhlke

Monika Rai

Savannah Breitenfeld

Allyson Brink

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

9/9 Patrick Hill, Zane Norris

9/11 Joseph Gabriel, John Kyle, Mike Wheeler

9/12 Jamie Falbe

9/13 Samuel Freer, Ram Gurung

9/14 Matthew Howard, Matthew Kolden, Adam Notch

9/15 Santa Gurung

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

If your anniversary should be here, please contact the church office

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS

9/11 Nichelle Dykema, Latin America and Caribbean

9/15 Joel Fritsche, 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