

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Today	Worship with Communion	8:15 & 11:00 am
	Bible Class/Sunday School	9:45 am
	New Member Class	9:45 am
	Octoberfest	12:30 pm-3:00 pm
	30's & 40's Adults (away)	5:00 pm
	YAG (Young Adults 20s & 30s)	6:30 pm
	Sr. Youth	7:00 pm
Monday	ABI	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
	NO Handbells	6:00 pm
	NO 7 th & 8 th Grade Confirmation	6:30 pm
	NO Choir	7:00 pm
	NO ABI	7:00 pm
Thursday	Men's Bible Study (away)	6:15 am
	Cub Scout #34	6:30 pm
	Boy Scout Troop #34	7:00 pm
	Men's Bible Study (away)	7:00 pm
Friday	Nepali Home Bible Study	7:00 pm
Saturday	Pastor on KFYO	9:00 am
	LWML Rally	8:45 pm-12:00 noon
	Worship with Communion	5:00 pm

Remember to set your clocks back 1 hour

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ASCENSION

NEW MEMBER CLASS Are you interested in becoming a member of Ascension? Would you like to learn more about what Lutheran Christians believe? Would you like a “refresher” on the basic teachings of the Bible? Please join Pastor Clark for Ascension’s Fall new member class on Sunday mornings at 10:00 am. The first class will be on Sunday, October 21. The class will meet for 8 weeks, and all are welcome!

WHAT'S PASTOR STUDYING? Pastor Clark is currently taking two classes in the Doctor of Ministry program at Concordia Seminary during the fall semester. One class is called “Orientation to the Doctor of Ministry Program” and covers the requirements for successful completion of the program. The second class is “Historical Theology Today.” This class is an overview of history following the Reformation and how its events shape the Church and ministry today. As pastor is enriched through these classes, he hopes to better enrich the learning of lives of God’s people 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

October 28 (Reformation Day)

Romans 3:20 – “For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.” The Law of God is good – it’s just that we sinners cannot save ourselves by the Law. Salvation is a free gift of God because that is the only way we could ever be saved. The Law shows us God’s holiness and thus our own sin. And now in Christ we can look at the Law and see it in a new light as well – as a guide for how to live a godly life in thanksgiving to God for His gracious forgiveness in Christ.

Stewardship Report
Through 10/21/18

Number Who Gathered Around God’s Word

Ascension Location Worship	235
Peace Center Location	42
Total	277

Amount Received to Share Christ’s Love

Amount Received	\$ 6,709
Budgeted Amount	\$11,289
Surplus/(Shortfall)	(\$ 4,580)

Sunday School \$00

Hintze Library Book of the Month

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

October's books of the month are: Hero of Faith Series



They were unlikely heroes. A penniless orphan becomes a brilliant musician. A young woman runs away from a convent and marries a man she barely knew. A daughter of former slaves champions Lutheran education in the segregated south. That's what makes these stories a must-read for children. Each book in the series shows how God worked in the lives of

these ordinary people to do extraordinary things. Each book includes colorful illustration and historical detail. Biographies included in the set are: Johann Sebastian Bach, Dorothea Craemer, Martin Luther, Heinrich Melchior Muhlenberg, Dr. Bessie Rehwinkel, Katharina Von Bora, C.F.W. Walther, & Rosa Young



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.

TRAILER FOR LIVE NATIVITY Ascension is looking for a 6x12 enclosed trailer to store lumber and other items for our annual Live Nativity. This would help free space in the church's crowded garage where these items are currently stored. It would also make the set up of the nativity easier as well. If you know of an available trailer, please contact the church office

ASCENSION T-SHIRTS AVAILABLE A limited amount of T-shirts are available for purchase for \$15.00. Please see the table in the church lobby. Please use the envelopes provided for payment and turn in at the church office.

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.

THE YOUNG ADULT GROUP (20s & 30s) This session we are looking at the book *Being Lutheran* by A. Trevor Sutton. We meet on Sunday evenings from 6:30 pm until 8:00 pm in the Concordia Room, which began 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) resumed on Wednesday, September. 5, 2018 at 7:00 pm. Classes will run through November 14, 2018. Our classes focuses on theological concepts as expressed in the Book of Concord. The teacher is our pastoral assistant, Trevor Freudenberg. Don't let the topic fool you; the class is taught at a level that is appropriate for all in attendance, and it deepens your understanding of Scriptural truths.

WANT TO STRENGTHEN YOUR MARRIAGE? Ascension's 2+ small group Bible study is open to all couples as we seek to strengthen our marriages as 2 people "plus" God. The group meets on the third Sunday of each month at 5:30 pm in the church lobby for refreshments, fellowship, and Bible study. All couples are welcome!

LWML SOUTH ZONE FALL RALLY will be hosted by Ascension's Evening Guild on Saturday, November 3. All ladies are invited for a relaxing morning to hear how God is working in the lives of missionaries locally and internationally. Refreshments will be served in the fellowship hall beginning at 8:45 followed by the program at 9:30 with a devotion by Pastor Clark and Bible study led by Pastor Lonnie Eatherton. The speaker will be Ben Vanderhyde who will be deployed as missionary to Sri Lanka in a few months. An ingathering will be collected for CFNA personal hygiene items. See the bulletin board for suggestions. Invite a friend!

VETERANS DAY RECOGNITION Volunteers needed! If you are interested in helping serve cake and punch for our Veteran Recognition on Saturday, November 10 and Sunday November 11, 2018, please contact the church office at (314) 832-5600

ASCENSION EVENING GUILD will next meet on Tuesday, November 13th, at 7:00 pm in the church fellowship hall. Our activity is to take ho-made cookies to our local firehouse up the street on Donovan about 7 o'clock. They are expecting us. If you are able to make cookies let Darlene Wiederhold know what kind and please put them in a disposable container. Our meeting and dessert, (not cookies) will follow. Evening Guild is sponsoring the LWML Zone Rally here at Ascension on Saturday, November 3rd. If you are coming, arrive at 8:45 for breakfast type refreshments in church fellowship hall. Our speaker, Ben Vanderhyde, Missionary to Sri Lanka, will begin at 9:30 in the church sanctuary. Please take note of our next Bake Sale the weekend of November 17th and 18th before and after services. The first collected items for Evening Guild's Fall Service Project have been delivered to Concordia Seminary's Food Bank. As you grocery shop remember to pick up an item or two from the list in church lobby as we will be doing this through November. We have also gotten a \$250.00 Thrivent Grant which the Food Bank Coordinator will use to purchase meat for the students and their families. Monetary donations are accepted. Call Sherry Elliott for details on that.

CONGREGATION ASSEMBLY
 Monday, November 12, 2018, 7:00 pm

Agenda: Elections
 2019 Budget
 Treasurer's Report
 Pastor's Report

ASCENSION HAS AT LEAST ONE PERSONAL CONNECTION with hurricane Michael's destruction on the Gulf Coast of Florida. The Freer family (Gary, Sara, Sam & Ben) own a house on Cape San Blas, just across the bay from Port St. Joe, south of Panama City. This is part of the area hit the hardest with large storm surges and 140+mph winds. They will be heading south to Cape San Blas on November 1 to assess the damage to their home and are in a great position to take supplies into the devastated area for immediate distribution to those in need. From now through October 28, we will be collecting supplies from the list below for them to take. Please prayerfully consider a donation and bring it with you for worship. If you have any questions, contact Katlyne Thies @ (314) 580-2143.

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| Bottled water | Granola energy bars |
| Cleaning supplies | Diapers |
| Personal hygiene items | Pet food |

OPERATION CHRISTMAS STOCKING on November 4, 2018. Our youth disciples will be filling Christmas stockings for the homeless to be distributed at Trinity Lutheran Church. The stockings will be filled with shampoo/conditioner, shaving cream/razors, hats/socks, gloves/hand warmers, toothpaste/tooth brush, soap and a small box of candy to gift wrap. We are asking the congregation for donations of these items. Please bring your donations to church by Sunday, November 4th, Questions, call Kathy Thies (314) 580-2074.

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT offers an opportunity for Christian women to set aside some peaceful time to focus their minds and hearts on the birth of Christ. It is an evening of caroling, devotion and prayer spent with old and new friends. The tables are beautifully decorated and the room glows with candles and Christmas lights. Sunday, December 2 is the date, WOL gym is the place; doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the program lasts from 7:00 - 8:30 (with a brief intermission for dessert!). To reserve a spot for yourself, or multiple spots for yourself and your guests, please contact Katrina Brundage at 314-467-0442. Or email her at k.brundage.13@gmail.com. Babysitting will be provided. When you make your reservation, please let Katrina know how many children you will be bringing.

SAVE THE DATE Live Nativity at Ascension on Saturday, December 15, 2018 from 5:00 pm-9:00 pm. Donations are needed for the Nativity Animal rental. Please see the poster in the church lobby beginning November 3 and take an animal part to pay for. Please return your animal part with your payment. Thank you.

THANK YOU to all who participated in our successful blood drive on October 7. With church member, WOL parents and neighborhood walk-ins, we were able to collect 26 pints of blood. The school will receive a \$276,00 grant from MVRBC. **SAVE THE DATE:** Our next blood is scheduled for May 19, 2019 from 9:00 am-1:00 pm. Thank you again! Barb Hartung.

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

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!

<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

**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, Kim Schave And Friends
Gr. 4-5	Music Room	Carl Anderson/ Rich Schaefer And Friends
Gr. 6-8	Youth Room	Sem. Matt Lorenz Sem. Matt Kolden Dcs. Anna Johnson
Gr. 9-12	Church Lobby	Lisa Clark Trevor Freudenburg Rob Bremer
Adult Bible Class	Fellowship Hall	Pastor Clark Pastor Matt Kobs
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.

WHAT DID WE LEARN IN SUNDAY SCHOOL? 10/28 Lesson 7

This week in Sunday School, students will study, "Abraham's Visitors from Heaven." While Abraham received his visitors graciously, they brought more grace to him than he and Sarah could imagine. As a family, discuss, *"How does God bring us more grace than we can imagine or expect?"*

TEACHERS OF THE MONTH

Our Word of Life teachers of the month for October are:

Rachel Hofman
Preschool 3 year olds Teacher Aide (Timothy):

Melissa Maxfield
Preschool 4-year olds (Timothy)

Kathy Thies
Preschool 4-year olds Teacher Aide (Timothy)

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 - 44

Kdg-8 - 143

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@wordoflifefschool.net. We invite you for a tour to learn more about any of our three campuses.



WORD OF LIFE will be hosting a Trunk or Treat Friday, October 26. Join us from 6-8 for costume fun and a Chili cook-off. St Lucas is hosting the event in their gym @ 7100 Morganford. If you would like to volunteer to decorate your car or bring Chili please sign up here.

<https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/10c0849aaae29a75-trunk1>

WOL KINDERGARTEN KALEIDOSCOPE Kindergarten information night on Thursday, November 8, 2018. Dinner & Tours: 6:00 pm-7:00 pm. Classroom Meeting: 7:00 pm. For questions, contact the school at (314) 832-1244.

WOL PTL NOVEMBER DINE OUT NIGHT will be November 13th at the Sunset Hills Chick Fil A from 4:00 pm-8:00 pm. A Flyer must be presented at the time of your order. Please pick one up from the church lobby bulletin board. Thank you.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION We are looking for graduates of Ascension Lutheran School/Word of Life Lutheran School who are interested in helping further develop an Ascension/Word of Life Alumni Association. If you are interested in this exciting opportunity to connect with former classmates, please contact Pastor Clark or Megan Arnold (Word of Life's Director of Admissions and Marketing).

I WANT TO THANK you all for your efforts with the All For Books donation boxes. We raised \$51, which may not seem like much, but it made a difference. Word of Life was able to purchase 24 books for students who could not afford to buy anything from the Book Fair. In return for our efforts, Scholastic will be donating one book for every dollar raised (so that's 51 books!) to their charity. Please pass this information along to the pastors so that they can see that they helped buy 75 books for children. Maybe we can increase these numbers next year!

Thank you again, Cary Jewell-Eldridge

WORSHIP NOTES

PREACHER: Pastor Matthew Clark

LITURGIST: 1st Weekend -
Pastoral Assistant Trevor Freudenburg-
2nd Weekend - Seminarian Matt Lorenz
3rd Weekend – Seminarian Matt Kolden
4th Weekend – 8:15 Seminarian John Kyle

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: 5:00 & 8:15 Gabe Maichel, organist;
8:15 Ascension Choir; Handbell Choir
11:00 Worship Team Gabe Maichel, piano;
Mark Maxfield guitar; Matt Bergholt, guitar/bass;
Nadia Zaza, guitar; Gary Notch, drums

ACOLYTES: 5:00 Kate Moffat/Kayla Loesche;
8:15 Will Maxfield/Anna Muhlke;
11:00 Henry Brink/Jaylee Schulz
NEXT WEEK: 5:00 Bella Bracken; 8:15 Olivia Muhlke;
11:00 Aiden Zaza

ALTAR GUILD: 5:00 Jane Fryar; 8:15 Melissa Maxfield;
11:00 Troy & Sarah Hansen
NEXT WEEK: 5:00 Lisa Holderle; 8:15 Melissa Maxfield;
11:00 Doug & Nancy Pfitzinger

ALTAR FLOWERS: The flowers that grace our altar this week are given by:
Jim Preston & Tracey Wing in gratefulness for all God's blessings and may He guide us in the years to come
Kurt & Marietta Oster in Loving memory of Kurt's mother, Laverne Oster

ELDERS: 5:00 Gary Notch, Rich Schaefer;
8:15 Jack Pendleton; 11:00 Randy Agne, Joe Benda
NEXT WEEK: 5:00; 8:15; 11:00

HOSTS: 5:00 Jim & Cheryl Chambers;
8:15 Roger & Rose Seifert; 11:00 The Benda Family
NEXT WEEK: 5:00 Shari Hill-Stout;
8:15 Gerry & Karen Hilkerbaumer;
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 Matt Lorenz; 8:15 Mike Gibbs;
11:00 Dianne Thies
NEXT WEEK: 5:00 Rich Seifert; 8:15 John Brink
11:00 Paul Brock

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: November 4, 2018
Revelation 7:9–17
1 John 3:1-3
Matthew 5:1-12

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.

Birth congratulations to Matt & Melissa Bergholt who were blessed with the gift of a son, Tanner Ian Bergholt born on October 23, 2018. God's richest blessings!

God's blessings to Tracey Wing and James Preston Jr. who were joined in holy matrimony at our altar on Saturday, October 27, 2018 at 2:00 pm.

HOUSEHOLDS OF THE WEEK

Jeanne McLaughlin
Luke McMahan
Katherine McMeans
Ralph McMeans

YOUTH OF THE WEEK

Abigail Green
Abashak Gurung
Kate LaBrier
Sophia LaBrier

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

10/28 Donna Arrigo, Sandip Gurung, Kristin Layton,
Mark Shaffer, Jack Tervort
10/29 Jean Capriglione, Nari Gurung, Laurie Jones,
Allen Pfeuffer, Walt Simpson
10/30 James Sheets
10/31 Kevin Duffy
11/1 David Hartung Jr., Elaine Hilgeman, Lucas Orde,
Luciana Passanise, Mildred Wiederhold
11/2 Dennis Bartz, Kathleen Driskill
11/3 Kendra Loesche

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

11/2 Viola & Norman Deeba

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS

11/1 Rebecca Krey, Latin America and the 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 Alex Jones
James Keltner Brian Kitson
Thomas Kitson Tony Urschler



**Ascension Members and Friends – Christmas Luncheon at the Missouri Athletic Club
Thursday, December 6, 2018**

Members and friends of Ascension have organized an Advent luncheon for all who would like to participate. The date is Thursday, December 6, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. in the fourth floor Veterans Room at the historic Missouri Athletic Club (MAC) at 405 Washington Avenue in downtown St. Louis. Validated parking is included for the multi-level garage directly behind the MAC on Lucas Street. The surface parking lots next to the MAC and the parking garage are not included for validated parking. Those who wish can carpool from Ascension.

After lunch, Christmas Carols will be led with Gabe Maichel, our Director of Music Ministry, at the piano. Bring your camera and enjoy the elaborate Christmas tree, gingerbread village and the display of trains in the lobby of the MAC before or after lunch.

You will select a meal from the superb buffet. This includes three soups, six entrees, two potato or other starch dishes, two vegetables, three to four vegetable, meat or fruit salads plus ingredients for an elaborate green salad, a selection of house-made breads, a variety of sandwich makings, and a dessert buffet where everything tastes as good as it looks. Also included are coffee, tea and soft drinks.

Join us in celebrating the Advent season leading to Christ's birth. Complete the form below and mail it to Judith Hanses at 6700 Eichelberger St., 63109 along with your check for \$22.00 for each luncheon reservation. Charlene Cook will be happy to take your reservation by phone or answer any questions. Her phone number is 752-3843.

Make checks payable to Judith Hanses. **Reservations and payment must be received by Sunday, December 2.**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Number of Reservations: _____ X \$22.00 per attendee = _____

Names of Attendees:

