

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Today	Worship with Communion	8:15 am & 11:00 am
	Sunday School/Bible Class	9:45 am
	Youngish Adults-30s & 40s (away)	5:00 pm
Monday	Board of Elders	6:30 pm
Tuesday	Bible Class	9:30 am
	Worship Team	7:00 pm
Wednesday	Word of Life Chapel	8:15 am
	Quilters	9:00 am
	Women’s Bible Class	9:30 am
	Handbell Choir	6:00 pm
	7 th & 8 th Grade Confirmation Orientation	6:30 pm
	Ascension 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
Saturday	Pastor on KFUE	9:00 am
	BBQ	12:00 pm-7:00 pm
	Worship with Communion	5:00 pm

WHAT’S HAPPENING AT ASCENSION

CLOUD OF WITNESSES SERMON SERIES

“Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith...” Hebrews 12:1-2a

We’ll examine the lives of 9 men and women from the 20 centuries following Jesus’ earthly ministry. We remember these saints, however, not to honor them for their own sake, but as examples of those who lived their lives in Jesus their Savior. Christ’s saving work has been made manifest in their lives to His glory. May we be encouraged by this cloud of witnesses! Also, during this sermon series, anyone who turns in at least 7 out of 9 completed sermon outlines will receive a copy of the book *Celebrating the Saints* from Concordia Publishing House.

August 3/4	Augustine (and Monica), Theologian, 4 th Century
August 10/11	Emperor Constantine (and Helena), Christian Ruler 4 th Century
August 17/18	Lucia, Martyr, 4 th Century
August 24/25	Boniface, Missionary to the Germans, 7 th Century
August 31/Sept 1	Katharina von Bora Luther, Wife of Martin Luther, 16 th Century
September 7/8	Paul Gerhardt, Musician & Hymn Writer, 16 th Century
September 14/15	Lucas Cranach and Albrecht Durer, Artists 16 th Century
September 21/22	C. F. W. Walther, Theologian, 19 th Century
September 28/29	Martyrs of Libya, 21 st Century

STEWARDSHIP

GENEROSITY August 25

Luke 13:26 – “Then you will begin to say, ‘We ate and drank in your presence, and you taught in our streets.’ ”
Proximity to Jesus and the things of faith is not faith itself. Many Pharisees heard His Word, but they ignored it and refused to believe in it. We want to be not only hearers but doers of Jesus’ Word. We want not just proximity to Jesus but true communion with Him. We want to hear Him, follow Him, praise Him, and return thanks.

TOP 40 BIBLE CLASS! What are the top 40 Bible accounts that every Christian should know? Beginning Sunday, August 25, join Pastor Clark on Sunday mornings in the Fellowship Hall as we take a closer look at 40 key accounts from Genesis to Revelation. The study will coincide with what our Sunday school children are learning so our congregation will be on the same page and conversations about God’s Word can continue at home. This is a great opportunity for people who may have never attended a Bible class in the past. All are welcome!

Stewardship Report	
Through 8/18/19	
Number Who Gathered Around God’s Word	
Ascension Location Worship	281
Peace Center Location	41
Total	322
Live Stream Viewing	18
Amount Received to Share Christ’s Love	
Amount Received	\$12,759
Budgeted Amount	\$11,289
Surplus/(Shortfall)	\$ 1,470
Sunday School	\$6.50

Note to Worshipers
Ascension Livestreams & Archives its
Worship Services
Via the Internet
Go to Ascensionstl.com/stream.

PLEASE NOTE

The Gateway Cup bicycle race returns to St. Louis on Labor Day weekend. The leg around Francis Park on 8/31/2019 will run 6:00 am-7:00 pm. There will be limited parking at church

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.

ACOLYTES All youth 5th grade and above interested in becoming a youth acolyte during worship service. Schedule runs from October 2019 through September 2020. Please let Joanne Bremer, (314) 481-5260, know if you are interested by August 31st. If you are currently an acolyte and would like off of the next schedule please contact Joanne Bremer by August 31st. Schedule will be complete by first part of September with instruction for new acolytes to be scheduled.

LAY READERS NEEDED Would you be interested in serving as a lay reader? You can choose which service you where you want to read. The next weeks scripture readings are listed in the News and Notes each week so you can be familiar with your scheduled readings. If you're interested in serving the church in this way, please contact Lisa Holderle at lholderle@yahoo.com or call (314)849-9945.

WEDNESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY *Enough for Now. Unpacking God's Sufficiency* will begin September 11 from 9:30 to 11:00 in the Concordia Room. We'll explore how our desire for enough can drive us to God instead of propelling us toward more money, more stuff, more activity. By looking at Jesus' parable of the rich fool, we'll explore what God says about having enough. Through Scripture passages, study questions, reflection, prayer, and life application, we'll learn that we can find security and joy only in God, who is sufficient for every imaginable need. Reserve your study guide by contacting Marlene Maxfield (314) 846-3880.

CALLING ALL MUSICIANS!

Bell Choir and Ascension Choir meets on Wednesdays beginning August 28

Bell Choir: 6:00 pm
Ascension Choir: 7:00 pm

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT POSITION The Church office is currently seeking an Administrative Assistant. This position will report directly to Pastor Clark and is responsible for all clerical tasks related to the church office and act as the first point of contact for the Congregation and visitors. The successful candidate will have a minimum of high school diploma. B.S/B.A. in Business, Communications, or related field is strongly preferred. A minimum of one year of clerical experience and proficiency in MS Office Suite (Word, Excel, PP) is required. Experience or familiarity with Pro Presenter, Shepherd's Staff, and Lutheran Service Builder is strongly preferred. Familiar with church office procedures is strongly preferred. Membership in an LCMS church is strongly preferred. This is a full-time, Monday through Friday benefitted position. Please send resumes to wellie.headrick@gmail.com.

THE PLANT SALE group is proud to announce that we are spending the profits from our April 2019 event in the following ways: \$2,000 to WOL to use for their reading material. Around \$500 for purchase of a Buddy Bench installed on the WOL play ground. Take a look on the playground. The concept around this bench is the following: The buddy bench is a simple idea to eliminate loneliness and foster friendship on the playground. Let's spread the message of inclusion and kindness! \$548.80 + Thrivent grant to replace 10 rectangle tables at WOL

HAVE YOU HEARD THE N-E-W-S? Mums – beautiful mums in 7 glorious fall colors to beautify your landscapes, decks and porches. The Ascension Fall Mum and Bulb sale will be held in the church lobby before and after all services on September 21-22. You can pre-order the mums (\$7.00 each) by filling out the order form in the church lobby, or download the form at <http://ascensionstl.com/>. We will also be selling iris, daylilies, surprise lilies, blackberry lilies, daffodils and tulips. For more information or to donate bulbs to the sale, please contact Karen Hilkerbaumer (314) 752.9473 or Julie Headrick (314) 258.2169.

SAVE THE DATE The Men's Club will host a BBQ on Saturday, August 31, 2019, 12:00 pm - 7:00 pm. Sign up board to help is located in the church lobby. Be watching future News & Notes and Ascension News Flash for more details.

SAVE THE DATE Sr. Youth Trivia Night "A Rodeo Trivia Night" on Saturday, September 7, 2019 from 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm (doors open at 6:00 pm) in the WOL school gym. \$20 per person/tables of 8 \$160. Contact Kathy Thies at (314) 580-2074 to reserve your table today. All proceeds will benefit the 2022 National Youth Gathering in Houston, TX.

THRIVENT GRANTS APPROVED

- Youth - Trivia - gift cards for balloon drawing
- \$ to purchase drums for students at WOL and church
- \$ to purchase additional rectangle tables at WOL for events
- Plant Sale - \$ to purchase mums for fall sale
- Plant Sale - \$ to purchase bulbs for fall sale

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's books of the month is:
Hello, My Name is Single by Adriane Heins



Whether you have chosen your singleness or whether the Lord has given it to you, whether you are content with your current situation or hate it with a deep and intense loathing, whether you long for relationships that no longer are or simply remember them with a quiet joy, you feel. You feel deeply. You are, perhaps, more in tune with your feelings than most. Because you reflect on what it would mean to have a spouse. Hello, My Name Is Single is a witty book that challenges and encourages single men and women to live secure in Christ, whether they're searching for Mr. or Mrs. Right or completely content living the single life. Author Adriane Dorr Heins treats her readers to a delightful conversation of practical and personal issues many singles face. She offers a historical, biblical approach that reminds readers that their identities are found in Christ, not in relationship statuses on Facebook.

CAN YOU HELP PLEASE? So far this year Thrivent has approved us for about 43 grants. Thanks be to God! However, we still have the **need for about 20-30-40 more grants this year** and continue to need more people to apply for these grants. I am willing to come to your house and help do the paper work but you need your policy # in order to establish a sign up. Please contact me if you can help. The process is very easy and after establishing a sign up name and #, it normally only takes about 10 min. If you don't have a computer you and I together can apply at my house on my computer and again I will help you with the feature. Can we count on you to help the budget at Ascension Lutheran Church? Karen Hilkerbaumer (314)752-9473 or gbomber@swbell.net Thank you.

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.



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"

FRED REMMERT UPDATE Ascension member and brother Christ, Fred Remmert, has been battling pneumonia and an additional serious infection. Please keep Fred in your prayers. Before visiting Fred in person, however, we ask that you please speak with Pastor Clark or the church office about his condition. Thanks!

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 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	
4 th Sunday	Youngish Adults (30s & 40s) 5:00 pm Maxfield Home	Pastor Clark

SUNDAY SCHOOL & BIBLE CLASS

Parents & Little Ones	Dorcas Room	Jasmine Duerr & friends
Pk3-Kdg	WOL Kindergarten	Ellen Hetz & Friends
Gr. 1-3	Bethany Room C	Cheryl Chambers, Kim Schave & Friends
Gr. 4-5	Music Room	Carl Anderson/ Rich Schaefer And Friends
Gr. 6-8	Youth Room	Dcs. Anna Johnson Sem. Joshua Brakhage
Gr. 9-12	Church Lobby	Lisa Clark Rob Bremer
Adult Bible Class	Fellowship Hall	Rev. Matt Kobs Pastor Matt Clark Sem. Joshua Brakhage

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?

The lesson this week is "A Mighty Wonder." In six days—through His spoken Word alone—the heavenly Father creates a universe so vast and complex it defies our limited human understanding. Humankind, the crown of His creation, made in His own image, comes to be through the intimate work of His hands and with His own breath. Discuss the wonders of God's creation with your family.

WORD OF LIFE

2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR THEME: This year's school theme is based on
"Our faith can move mountains"
Matthew 17:20



ENROLLMENT FOR THE 19/20 SCHOOL YEAR
Enrollment is still open!

PreK - 36
 Kdg-8 - 149

If you are looking for preschool serving ages 3 - 5 or Kindergarten - 8th grade and would like to tour, please contact Joel Akridge at (314) 832-1244 ext. 112 or admissions@wordoflifeschool.net. We invite you for a tour to learn more about any of our three campuses.

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 Joel Akridge (Word of Life's Director of Admissions and Marketing).

WORSHIP NOTES

PREACHER: Pastoral Assistant, Joshua Brakhage

LITURGIST: 1st Weekend - Joshua Brakhage
2nd Weekend -
3rd Weekend -

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

ACOLYTES: 5:00 Kate Moffat; 8:15 Jordan Ingrham;
11:00 Nathanael Mays
NEXT WEEK: 5:00 Kayla Loesche ; 8:15 Anna Clark;
11:00 Alyssa Hansen

ALTAR FLOWERS: The flowers that grace our altar are given
by:
Darlene Wiederhold in memory of Gene
Jack Pendleton to "My Dearest Jan ... "You are more beautiful
as the years go by. Happy Birthday," with Love, Jack"
Carl Anderson in memory of my beloved wife, Linda

ALTAR GUILD: 5:00 Rich & Bev Schaefer;
8:15 Elizabeth Nease; 11:00 Marcia Passanise
NEXT WEEK: 5:00 Tracy Middleton ;
8:15 Tyler & Heather Potter; 11:00 Marcia Passanise

ELDERS: 5:00; 8:15 Gene Bockelmann, Jack Pendleton;
11:00
NEXT WEEK: 5:00; 8:15 Gene Bockelmann, Jack Pendleton;
11:00

HOSTS: 5:00 Rich & Bev Schaefer;
8:15 Mary Pastor; 11:00 The Brock Family
NEXT WEEK: 5:00 Ed & Lois Peek;
8:15 Jerry & Arleen Kassing; 11:00 DianneThies

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 Ted Cox; 8:15 Brad Muhlke;
11:00 Sarah Hansen
NEXT WEEK: 5:00 Jane Fryar; 8:15 Doug Pfitzinger;
11:00 Marlene Maxfield

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK September 1
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
First Reading: Proverbs 25:2-10
Epistle: Hebrews 13:1-17
Gospel: Luke 14:1-14

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.

Received into the Kingdom of God through the waters of Holy Baptism on Sunday, August 25, 2019, at the 11:00 am service is/was Lenora Aletta Foppe, daughter of Corbin & Emma Foppe (Powers). May God's promise to Lenora Aletta today remain her confidence through her life. God's blessings!

YOUTH OF THE WEEK

Isabella McMeans
George Morris
Liam Rabun
Monila Rai

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

8/25 Jason Fletcher Sr.
8/26 Jan Pendleton, Jashu Rai, Rose Seifert
8/27 John Headrick, Joseph Loesche, Diana Pisoni
8/28 Clark Kamp, Clara Loesche, Jacob Loesche
8/29 Kristin Arand, Marian Bergman, Carol Goetsch,
Brittany Schelp, Helen Todd, Ronnie Todd
8/30 William Bauer, John Cook
8/31 Lisa Edinger, Luke Manning, Suzanne Shaffer,
Miles Yocum

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

8/25 Scott & Jane Fehl
8/26 Darryl & Laurie Wallach
8/28 Erin & Brian Franceschi, Thomas & Donna Hinton
8/30 Michael & Karen Reeves

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

Alex Jones James Keltner
Brian Kitson Thomas Kitson
Tristan Rabun Tony Urschler

LCMS CONGREGATION IN OUR SOUTH ST. LOUIS CIRCUIT

Ascension	Emmaus	Epiphany
Holy Cross	Hope	Messiah
Mt. Olive	St. Johns	St. Lucas
St. Luke's	St. Trinity	Timothy
Trinity		

TOGETHER IN MISSION MISSIONARIES

Rev. Adam & Dcs. Melissa DeGroot- New Mexico
Erin Mackenzie-Dominican Republic
Rev. Matthew & Kali Wood-Indonesia
DCE Krista & Joel Young-Africa

