

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday	Coffee & Donuts	7:45-10:45 am
	Worship with Communion	8:15 am
	Sunday School/Adult Bible Study	9:45 am
	Worship with Communion	11:00 am
Monday	WOL Staff Opening Worship	8:30 am
	Bible Study	9:30 am
	CFNA Volunteer Appreciation Event	5:30 pm
	Ministry Council	7:00 pm
Tuesday	Pastors Circuit Meeting	9:00 am
	Back to School Meeting	7:00 pm
	Worship Team	7:00 pm
Wednesday	Quilters	9:00 am
	Women of the Word Bible Study	9:30 am
	Property Committee	6:30 pm
Thursday	Men’s Bible Study	6:15 am
	Men’s In-Home Bible Study	7:00 pm
Friday	Church Office closes at Noon	
Saturday	Men’s Club	8:00-10:00 am
	Worship with Communion	5:00 pm
	Back to School Milestone	
	2 Year Bible Reading Celebration	

STEWARDSHIP

Luke 12:24 – “Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them.” God feeds the birds of the air – this we know, it’s just that, as one wit put it: God sometimes feeds the birds...to the cats! Yes, crosses and hardships will always come, Christ said that no disciple is above his Master. But through it all, the Lord cares for us and He calls upon us to entrust ourselves to that care. He really is our Father, and He really will guard and keep us through whatever this life has to throw at us. And in the end, we shall receive the gift of eternal life.

Stewardship Report

For the weekend ending July 31st

In-person attendance:	198
Online views:	186
Nepali Fellowship:	24

Amount Received to Share Christ’s Love

Budgeted Amount	\$ 12,019
Amount Received	\$ 14,440
Surplus/(Shortfall)	\$ 2,421

Capital Campaign Donations since
October 2019: \$1,088,326

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

By the middle of August, new lighting will be installed throughout the sanctuary, which will give a more even lighting over the pews. And don’t worry – our beautiful pendant fixtures will be rehung after they have been cleaned and refurbished. The flooring is still on schedule to be installed the end of August.

The renovations at Word of Life will be complete by the beginning of August, in time for the start of school. Some of the work has been paid for through the Capital Campaign contributions; the classroom remodeling has been paid for by contributions over and above the Capital Campaign contributions. If you are interested in a tour of the facilities, please contact Ed Holderle at (314) 614-2103 or Jim Chambers at (314) 574-6256 by phone or text.

The pews will be restored after they have been returned to the sanctuary. We hope to have enough money to get them all restored at the same time. Thanks so much for your generosity to the Renew-A-Pew project – we’re almost at our goal!

Donations for the Capital Campaign can be made using a designated yellow-bordered envelope that is in your envelope box. Envelopes are also available outside the church office. The envelope can be placed in the locked wooden box on the table in the narthex. Donations can also be made online. If you would like to make a pledge, please contact the church office for a form. All pledges are kept confidential.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

CHURCH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS The church office will close at **noon** on Fridays for the months of June, July, and August. The hours for the rest of the week will stay the same, **8:00 AM – 3:00 PM.**

SUNDAY SCHOOL OPENING

Children in Preschool through Grade 8 are invited to meet in the sanctuary at **9:45 am** each week for a brief Sunday school opening. Details about Sunday school for all ages is on page 7 of the News & Notes.

READ ALONG WITH PASTOR

God's Word is our source of life and strength during pandemics and at all times. Read along with Pastor Clark as he goes through the entire Bible in two years.

Each Friday, Pastor posts a video on Ascension's Facebook page and YouTube channel highlighting a theme or insight of that week's readings. Ask an usher for a daily reading schedule or stop into the church office.

The readings for next week are **Rev. 20 – Rev. 22**

LIKE US

 **LIKE US ON FACEBOOK** Like Ascension to stay current with events, Bible studies, photos, videos and other great resources!

There are four 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"

Note to Worshippers

Ever want to re-watch a worship service or listen to a sermon again?

Ascension livestreams our worship services.

Go to: Ascensionstl.com/stream to find archived services.

DONATE FROM YOUR SMARTPHONE

Scan the image you see here by using your phone's QR code reader (bar code scanner) to 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. Smartphone users can also download the Vanco Mobile app from the Apple or Google Play Store and set up an account. Please use only one email account per contribution envelope number.



TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS

MONDAY IS THE NEW TUESDAY! Due to a number of different conflicts on Tuesday mornings, Pastor Clark's Tuesday morning Bible class will be moving to Mondays (at least for the next few months). The meeting time will still remain the same from **9:30 to 11:00 am**. All are welcome as we continue our verse by verse look at Scripture into the Book of James. Come with your Bible and a joke to share.

THE SUMMER OF THE TREE OF LIFE

THE SUMMER OF THE TREE OF LIFE This summer at Ascension, we'll be focusing on The Tree of Life: God's Promise of Salvation. Isaiah tells us, "There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit" (Isaiah 11:1). This branch is Christ, our new tree of life! Beginning this weekend, **June 11/12** and going through **August 13/14**, we'll be looking at 10 key Bible accounts from the Old and New Testaments that focus us on Jesus. Our goal is to know these stories and be able to share these stories with others. The Tree of Life will be our focus for Vacation Bible School, sermons, and Sunday school. Ascension will also be providing families with a super helpful Tree of Life kit to take home so growing in faith can continue among families too.

Please join us this summer for the Tree of Life!

Lesson 1: The Beginning of Our Story (Genesis 3:1–15)

Lesson 2: God's Plan for Abraham (Genesis 22:1–14)

Lesson 3: The Passover Lamb (Exodus 12:1–13)

Lesson 4: Slaying the Giant (1 Samuel 17)

Lesson 5: Delivered from the Lions (Daniel 6:1–24)

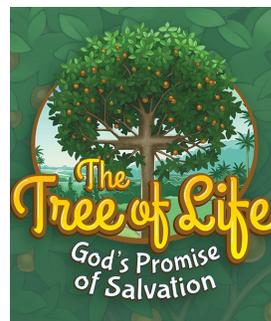
Lesson 6: Jesus Is Baptized into God's Plan (Matthew 3:13–17)

Lesson 7: Jesus Preaches the Kingdom of Heaven (Luke 4:31–44)

Lesson 8: God's Plan of Salvation Completed (Luke 23:26, 32–46)

Lesson 9: Jesus Conquers Death (John 20:11–18)

Lesson 10: The End of Our Story (Revelation 21:1–8)



THANK YOU, TROY!

THANK YOU, TROY! This **Sunday, August 7** at our **11:00 am** service, we'll be recognizing Troy Hansen's service and leadership on the Word of Life School Board. For nearly 10 years Troy has represented Ascension on the school board. For over six of those years, he served as chairperson. We give thanks to God for the ways in which the Lord has worked through Troy and the many others who have served on the Word of Life School Board over the years.

DONUTS

DONUTS Coffee and Donuts will be offered before and between church services, **every Sunday from 7:45 am – 10:45 am** (or until gone). Any free will offering collected will benefit the Youth Ministry.

BACK TO SCHOOL MILESTONE

BACK-TO-SCHOOL MILESTONE MINISTRY Another fall is approaching. It is time for students to return to the classroom at school and at home. Ascension will be having a Blessing of the Backpacks Milestone celebration at all church services the weekend of **August 13 and 14**. Come to the service of your choice with backpacks or any kind of school bag. If you don't need a backpack or forget your backpack, no worries. Pastor Clark will invite students to the front of church for a blessing and a gift. Ascension looks forward to celebrating this important milestone with you.

2 YEAR BIBLE READING CELEBRATION

2 YEAR BIBLE READING CELEBRATION As our 2-Year reading through the Bible comes to a conclusion, we want to celebrate! The weekend of **August 13 and 14** we will be giving a special gift to those who participated in our Bible reading schedule. We'll also prayerfully give thanks to God for the gift of His Word. "These are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name." John 20:31. Thank you for spending time in the Scriptures!

COMMUNION

COMMUNION As the number of COVID cases continues to decline, Ascension's elders and pastors have decided to begin again kneeling in the chancel for Holy Communion at our Saturday evening and Sunday 8:15 am services. Worshippers receiving the Lord's Supper will be invited to kneel as they are able. This kneeling is an act of reverence and worship as we receive our Savior's body and blood given and shed for us. If, due to COVID, you are uncomfortable coming to the chancel rail for Communion, the elements can be brought to you in the pew. **Pending final approval from the Board of Elders, we will plan to re-institute the use of the common cup the weekend of August 20/21.**

WORSHIP TIME CHANGE

WORSHIP TIME CHANGE Thank you to the many Ascension worshippers who completed our recent worship surveys! Results have been shared with the congregation and discussed by both our Ministry Council and Board of Elders. The surveys affirmed many things that Ascension is doing well when it comes to music and worship. The surveys also identified a few changes that could potentially benefit our weekend worship and Bible study/Sunday school. In response to survey input, one change Ascension's Council, Elders, and staff plan to implement is adjusting the time of our early service on Sundays from 8:15 am to **8:30 am**. This time change seems to work better for most of the families with younger children who attend our early service. It also allows for less "down time" between our early service and Sunday school/Bible class. KFUE radio has assured us that Ascension can still participate in broadcasting our worship live. **The 15-minute adjustment in time will begin Sunday, August 21.**

PROJECT RENEW-A-PEW

THE FOLLOWING CONVERSATION WAS OVERHEARD IN THE CHURCH LOBBY. "Hey, fellow pews, I understand we are being held hostage out here in the lobby until enough money is raised to make us pretty as the rest of the church. I also heard that only about \$5,000 more needs to be raised before we can be released to do our jobs. Do any of you have any spare change on you that fell from someone's pockets that you can contribute?"

Well...the pews have some of their information correct. We only need around \$5,000 more to reach our goal! Thank you so much for all of your contributions so far. And – the pews will be reinstalled to do their jobs when the floor is ready. Any contribution of any size is welcome to help us get the pews refinished. Feel free to use an envelope in the lobby display, or use a designated gift envelope clearly marked for the pew restoration project.

2ND ANNUAL QUARTER AUCTION

ATTENTION ALL ASCENSION MEMBERS!

JOIN THE FUN! We are asking for your support for our **2nd Annual Quarter Auction**. **All proceeds benefit the Capital Campaign, which continues to provide updates and restoration to Ascension Lutheran Church and Word of Life Lutheran School.** By donating gift cards, wine, beer, handmade items, new/used items, or cash, you can support the Capital Campaign to update our facilities so we can share Christ's love now and in the future. You can drop off your donation in the Quarter Auction Box in the church lobby, or you can contact any committee member by phone, text or email and we will be happy to pick it up at your convenience. Thank you for your consideration.

Lisa Holderle (314) 962-9979, lholderle@yahoo.com

Marcia Passanise (314) 677-7737,

mpassan4520@charter.net

Barb Shaffer (314) 359-2735, shaffer113@live.com

Debbie Hofmann (314) 849-1207, kahof@sbcglobal.net

Cheryl Chambers (314) 306-8837, jachalbr@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE

2ND ANNUAL QUARTER AUCTION

Saturday, September 24, 2022

Doors open at **6:00 pm** & Auction begins at **6:30 pm**

Word of Life Gym

6535 Eichelberger

Entry and 1 bidding paddle: \$10.00

Additional paddles: \$10.00

Golden Paddle: \$50.00 (allows bid for every Quarter Auction item)

\$10.00 entry includes soda or water and one prepackaged snack. If you prefer, bring your own snacks and adult beverages.

To secure your spot, email Cheryl at

jachalbr@gmail.com

For more information, visit ascensionstl.com

ASCENSION YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

ASCENSION YOUTH FELLOWSHIP (AYF) is the volunteered youth ministry at Ascension Lutheran Church for the children of Ascension and beyond. We have three distinct groups that gather based upon their ages: The Youth Disciples is open to all youth in grades 1 through 4; the Junior Youth is open to all youth in grades 5 through 8; and the Senior Youth is open to all youth in grades 9 through 12.



QUESTIONS? If you have any questions about Ascension Youth Fellowship, please contact Kathy or Chris Thies, or Pastor at the church office.

Kathy Thies

(314) 580-2074 voice & text
Kathy.Thies@Hotmail.com

Chris Thies

(314) 910-3148 voice & text
Chris.Thies@Outlook.com

MEAL TRAIN

MEAL TRAIN. There are times when our brothers and sisters in Christ could use some extra love and help. One way we can show them compassion is providing a meal during a time of need. If you would be open to providing a home cooked meal to someone who recently experienced the death of a loved one, or who recently celebrated the birth of a child, then please contact the church office. Ascension's staff is working to compose a "Meal Train" list of people who would be willing to help in this way.

THINK FALL PLANT SALE

THINK FALL PLANT SALE It's here! The 2022 Ascension Lutheran Church Think Fall Plant Sale fundraiser has begun and we are ready to accept your pre-order with pre-payment. Pick up an order form in the church lobby or at [Ascension Fall 2022 Plant Sale | Ascension Lutheran Church – St. Louis, MO \(ascensionstl.com\)](https://ascensionstl.com). You can purchase beautiful 9" mums in five colors, kale, pansies and spring bulbs to brighten patios and landscapes. Pick up will be **Friday, September 16** from **4:00 – 6:00 pm** or **Saturday, September 17** from **9:00 am – noon**. Questions or to sign up to help contact Karen (314) 378-2977 or Julie (314) 258-2169. Proceeds benefit our youth activities and the Capital Campaign.

NEW MEMBER CLASS

NEW MEMBER CLASS Want to learn more about what Lutherans believe? Want to become a member of Ascension? Looking for a church that cares about Lutheran Christian schools? If so, we invite you to our next New Member Class where we will explore what Lutheran Christians believe. Join Pastor Clark on Sunday mornings at **9:45 am** beginning **September 11**. The class will meet for about 7 sessions in the Concordia Conference Room.

SUMMER AT THE LIBRARY

Visit our Hintze Library!



Summer Reading...
Dive into a good book!

IN SEARCH OF PIANO

PIANO SEARCH Ascension is excited to begin a search for another piano. A piano upgrade would serve congregational singing from the front of the church. Our current piano would be moved to the organ loft to support the choir. Please contact Gabe Maichel if you know of a quality upright or grand piano that would serve the church for years to come. Specifications include:

- Manufactured since 1990.
- An upright piano at least 50" tall.
- A grand piano at least 5' 6" long.
- Reputable manufacturer.

Thank you,
Gabe Maichel
Office # (314) 832-5600

BELL CHOIR

ASCENSION BELL CHOIR Ascension's Bell Choir will resume **Wednesday 5:45 pm** rehearsals on **September 7**. The Bell Choir is looking to recruit 3 more ringers to fully utilize our 3 octave bell set. Please contact Gabe (gabe@ascensionstl.com) if you are interested in ringing. No prior music experience is required to join.

CHOIR

ASCENSION CHOIR Ascension's Choir will resume **Wednesday 6:45 pm** rehearsals on **September 7**. The Choir has continued to grow each year and welcomes additional talent. For those interested in spreading the Good News through music, please contact Gabe (gabe@ascensionstl.com).

SORA PRODUCTS

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It was on a trip to the Philippines where Craig Mattes' wife, Amy, met a group of women who were weaving wallets and purses out of single-use beverage wrappers such as coffee, coco, and tea from local businesses and government buildings. She was impressed with the quality craftsmanship and innovative design of the products. When Amy heard their story and learned that they didn't have a local market for their products, she was compelled to help.

In 2015, SORA Products was formed in partnership with two Filipina friends. SORA Products is a Chicago Fair Trade local business which provides the market for our SORA artisans in two communities in the Philippines. It is giving them enough income to help provide for their children's basic needs, plus family medical, education, and home improvement income.

We are seeing these talented women's lives transformed by the opportunity to bring their products to the marketplace. We thank you for your interest in this important business venture. However, there are many more families that need our help. You can make this growth a reality by buying a SORA product or helping us find creative ways of selling SORA Products near you.

There will be a display up in the church office with more information and a few items for sale.

www.soraproducts.com
sorawallets@gmail.com

SPECIAL BACK TO SCHOOL MEETING

SPECIAL BACK TO SCHOOL MEETING There will be a back to school meeting for Ascension members who have a child who is a student at Word of Life or Lutheran South. At this meeting we'll discuss the teamwork that takes place between home, church, and school as we seek to raise our children in Christ. We'll also answer any questions about tuition or financial aid. The meeting is **Tuesday, August 9 at 7:00 pm** in the lower-level church Fellowship Hall.

WOL VOLLEYBALL CAR WASH

WORD OF LIFE VOLLEYBALL CAR WASH FUNDRAISER

Need a car wash? Want to support a great group of middle schoolers and their pursuit of volleyball? Join us on **Saturday, August 27th from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm** at St. Lucas Lutheran Church. The 5th-8th grade girls' volleyball players are ready to wash your car! Donations are accepted and will directly support the program.

Thank you!



WOL OPEN POSITIONS

Part Time Preschool Aides

Word of Life's preschool classes are growing! We are anticipating the need for additional aide support in the classrooms at both Timothy and St. Lucas based on the daily enrollment. We are looking for energetic, caring individuals that may be willing to assist the classroom teacher. Positions would primarily be morning hours from 8:00 am – 12:00 pm and days depend on enrollment.

Pay will be based on experience, from \$12-14 per hour.

If you are interested in working one morning or more, please contact Principal Melissa Bergholt at (314) 832-1244 or mbergholt@wordoflifeschool.net.

Substitute Teachers and Substitute Aides

Word of Life is looking for individuals who are willing to substitute teach in our classrooms. Applicants are able to designate grade level preferences.

We are also in need of aides who might substitute for the aides in our preschool classrooms. Responsibilities include assisting the teacher with supervision and classroom activities.

Our teachers are very supportive and do an excellent job of preparing lesson plans that are easy to follow. Interested candidates can contact Principal Melissa Bergholt at (314) 832-1244 or mbergholt@wordoflifeschool.net.

Extended Care Director

Word of Life is seeking a qualified candidate to lead the extended care program on the main campus for Grades K-8. The position includes registering students, posting charges, purchasing snacks as well as supervising students in the after school part of the program from 3:00 pm until 6:00 pm Mondays - Fridays. There is potential for this position to be combined with the Preschool Aide position to make a full-time position. For more information or to submit a resume, please contact Principal Melissa Bergholt at (314) 832-1244 or mbergholt@wordoflifeschool.net.

THE COUGAR CLOSET

THE COUGAR CLOSET – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you have time to do a load of wash, you can help prep The Cougar Closet for the coming school year! We have a big pile of gently used uniform shirts and other uniform clothing items that need to be washed and folded in time for Word of Life's Open Houses and the start of school. Items can be picked up and returned to the main campus.

Contact Mrs. Poppitz at spoppitz@wordoflifeschool.net or Caitlin Dinger at cmdinger@gmail.com to volunteer!

Want to make a BIG IMPACT? Help us make a connection with a laundromat or commercial laundry to keep on top of the donations that come in each quarter. If you know someone who has a laundry and would like to generously donate time or space in their machines, help us get in touch!

THANK YOU!

LHSS CLASS OF 2002 REUNION

ATTENTION LHSS CLASS OF 2002! We look forward to celebrating our 20th reunion this fall and we would love for you to attend! Please email your contact information to Chris Walleman at CW4369@yahoo.com or contact the Alumni Association.

Visit our Facebook page at: LHSS Class of 2002 for more information



MATCHING FUNDS TO SUPPORT LIFE

\$1 MILLION IN MATCHING FUNDS TO SUPPORT LIFE

The people of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) love children and families, and they demonstrate this love through many acts of mercy in their communities. To support these local pro-life efforts — both big and small — the LCMS is offering \$1 million in matching grants to LCMS congregations. The funds are meant to help, support, and encourage women whose children may be vulnerable to abortion. Examples of the use of these matching funds include, but are not limited to:

- Congregational efforts in pregnancy and infant support outreach (examples: Swaddling Clothes, Breakfast with Baby)
- Congregational partnership with LCMS Recognized Service Organizations in adoption services and maternal and family material good supports (examples: Redeeming Life Outreach Ministries, Place of Refuge, Shepherd's Hand)
- Congregational partnership with Christian pregnancy resource centers (such as centers affiliated with the networks Care Net, Heartbeat International and the National Institute of Family and Life Advocates).

If you would like to help coordinate efforts to support mothers, and fathers, of unborn children, please contact the church office.

HELP FOR UKRAINE

HELP FOR UKRAINE You can help those suffering in Ukraine through a gift to the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod (LCMS). Gifts to the LCMS are restricted to providing aid and assistance to persons displaced by the war in Ukraine. The LCMS will issue grants to/through our Lutheran partners in the region best positioned to provide compassionate care in Christ's name to those fleeing conflict. The situation is developing, and the LCMS pledges to use every gift wisely to accomplish the greatest good possible in ways that deliver the Gospel as human needs are met. Please donate at www.lcms.org/ukraine.



CHRISTIAN FRIENDS OF NEW AMERICANS

CHRISTIAN FRIENDS OF NEW AMERICANS Due to the overwhelming generosity from Lutheran congregations and the St. Louis community at large, Christian Friends of New Americans has received more coats, shoes, and blankets than we ever could have imagined! We have been blessed to be able to give these items to the newly arriving Afghan families, and will continue to do so. However, we are at the point where we need to suspend the collection of these items due to volume and storage capacity issues. We will no longer be able to accept any coats, shoes, blankets, or clothing. And, while we understand the well-meaning intentions of so many, we are not in a position to accept any clothing, bedding, dishes, pans, etc.

Please know we will continue to collect household items like paper towels, toilet paper, detergent, dish soap, cleaning supplies, soap, and personal care items.

Thank you to everyone who has participated in welcoming our new Afghan friends!

Contact Gary Schaefer at gschaefer@cfna-stl.org or (314) 348-8010

A list of drop-off sites for collection of these donations is on the bulletin board in the lobby.



Christian Friends of New Americans

CFNA VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

CFNA VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES Please join us in sharing Christ's love! Whether helping to sort or deliver donated items, taking someone to the grocery store or appointment, assisting International Institute with meeting families at the airport and helping take them to their hotel, etc., we have many opportunities for volunteers to serve the newly arriving Afghan families and other refugees. And we continue to welcome volunteers in our program ministries, including After School Tutoring, Adult ESL, Driving Lessons, Health and Wellness screenings, Sewing classes, and more. Interested? Questions?

Please contact Gary Schaefer at gschaefer@cfna-stl.org or complete/submit a [Volunteer Recruitment Form](#) online.

NIV SELF STUDY BIBLES

NIV SELF-STUDY BIBLES NEEDED Have you transitioned to The Lutheran Study Bible so that your NIV Self-Study Bible (published by Concordia Publishing House) is now collecting dust? Holy Cross Lutheran Church for the Deaf would love to brush off that dust and put your bible to use in their outreach to the deaf. If you have a copy of the NIV Self-Study Bible to donate to Holy Cross, drop it off at the church office at your convenience.

JOIN ONE OF OUR BIBLE STUDIES

Bible studies are a wonderful opportunity to be in God's Word and enjoy fellowship as you grow in faith and friendship. For more information on any of the Bible studies listed below, you may contact the leaders directly or our Bible Study and Small Group Coordinator Barbara Shippy at bjshippy@gmail.com or (314) 795-2568.

Sunday Morning Bible Study All are welcome!
Join us for Bible class between worship services.
Sundays from 9:45–10:30 am / ongoing
Location: Ascension / Fellowship Hall
Leaders: Pastor Clark & Pastor Kobs

Tuesday Morning Bible Study (Men & Women)
Tuesdays from 9:30–11 am / ongoing
Location: Ascension / Concordia Room
Leader: Pastor Clark
Contact: pastor@ascensionstl.com / (314) 832-5600

Women of the Word Bible Study
Wednesdays from 9:30–11 am / ongoing
Location: Ascension / Fellowship Hall
Leader: Marlene Maxfield
Contact: marmaxfield@aol.com / (314) 221-0999

Thursday Morning Men's Bible Study
Thursdays from 6:15–7:30 am / ongoing
Location: Ascension / Hintze Library in Church Lobby
Leader: Mike Gibbs
Contact: jackfan39@yahoo.com / (314) 352-1297

Thursday Evening Men's Bible Study
Thursdays from 7:00–8:00 pm / ongoing
Location: Personal residence
Leaders: Rob Bremer and Chris Thies
Contact Rob: rbjhb@sbcglobal.net / (314) 413-2603
Contact Chris: chris.thies@outlook.com

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

SUNDAY MORNING APOLOGETICS BIBLE STUDY What is "apologetics?" The word apologetics means "to make a defense." When Christians study apologetics, they are referring to defending the faith. Join Pastor Kobs on Sunday mornings in the Fellowship Hall at **9:45 am** to consider questions like: What is a world view? How do we know there is a God? Is the creation account true? Why do bad things happen? What does God say about gender identity? When does human life begin and end? This study will begin **Sunday, August 28** and run for 25-30 sessions. Hope to see you there!

All are welcome!

SUNDAY SCHOOL

At Ascension, we strive to engage with EVERY person at EVERY age in learning more about our Savior, Jesus.

On Sunday mornings, we have a class for YOU!

Students in Preschool through Junior High meet in the church sanctuary at 9:45 am for Sunday School opening.

Parents and Littles

Teachers: Jasmine Duerr and Friends

Preschool and Kindergarten

Teachers: Marcia Passanise and Friends

Grades 1 through 3

Teachers: Emily Jones, Brittany Schelp, Mary Pastor, and Lisa Clark

Grades 4 through 5

Teachers: Rich Schaefer and Carl Anderson

Junior High

Teachers: Deaconess Anna Johnson, Joel Her, and Ben Wescoatt

Senior High

Teachers: Rob Bremer, Ben Wescoatt, and Friends

Adults

Teachers: Pastor Clark, Pastor Kobs, Gagan Gurung, and John Gurung

Nepali Fellowship

Teachers: Pastor Clark, Gagan Gurung, John Gurung, and Friends

Sunday School Coordinator

Deaconess Anna Johnson

Assistant Coordinator

Lisa Clark



SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATES

WHAT ARE WE LEARNING ABOUT IN SUNDAY SCHOOL?

August 7, Week 9

After His death on the cross, Jesus was sealed in a tomb with a large stone. But He didn't stay dead. Today, we learn about His empty tomb and what His resurrection means for our lives today and in the future. In Jesus' death, death itself, which has stalked God's creation since Adam and Eve's fall, has been forever defanged.

WORSHIP NOTES

PREACHER: Pastor Matthew Clark

LITURGIST:

Seminarian Ben Wescoatt, 2nd Sunday of month
Pastor Matthew Kobs, 4th Sunday of month

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Gabe Maichel, organist

ACOLYTES: 5:00p open

8:15 Noah Maxfield; 11:00 Tyler Kern

NEXT WEEK: 5:00p Matthew Hofman

8:15 Grant Maxfield; 11:00 Fuego Hernandez

ALTAR FLOWERS The flowers that grace our chancel have been provided by:

Doug & Nancy Pfitzinger in celebration of our 40th Anniversary on August 7.

“In celebration of 51 years of marriage between Caryl and Gary Jewell, the parents of Cary Jewell-Eldridge. With great love and much respect, Cary, Dale & Sophia.”

ALTAR GUILD: 5:00p Debbie Hofmann;

8:15 Becky Harman; 11:00 Jones Family

NEXT WEEK: 5:00p Sharon Agne;

8:15 Melissa Maxfield; 11:00 Marla & Carlos Lopez

MULTIMEDIA ROOM: 5:00 Bella Bracken, Anna Clark;

8:15 Bill Maxfield, Grant Maxfield;

11:00 Vernon Schmidt, Jason Fletcher, Julie Krapf

READERS: 5:00p Rich Seifert;

8:15 Nathan Decker; 11:00 Marla Lopez

NEXT WEEK: 5:00p Melissa Bergholt;

8:15 Grant Maxfield; 11:00 Tom Hinton

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: August 14, 2022 –

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading *Jeremiah 23:16-29*

Epistle Reading *Revelation 21:1-8*

Holy Gospel *Luke 12:49-53*

USHERS: 5:00 Karl Hofmann, Robert Hofmann, Ed Holderle, Walter Scoggins, Walt Simpson;

8:15 Gene Bockelmann, Jake Bremer, Rob Bremer, Nathan Decker, Jonathan Gibbs, Jack Pendleton, Mark Shaffer;

11:00 Paul Brock Sr., Roger Jensen, Dave Jones, Carlos Lopez

TOGETHER IN MISSION MISSIONARIES

Dr. Daniel & Joan Jastram - Asia

Erin Mackenzie - Dominican Republic

Rev. Matthew & Kali Wood - Indonesia

John & Erica Tape - Latin American & Carribean Region

PRAYER REQUESTS

The Church Staff prays for you during their 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.

ASCENSION MEMBERS AND FRIENDS SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Alex Jones

James Keltner

Brian Kitson

Thomas Kitson

Tristan Rabun

Jamie Federhofer

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

08/07 Leah Schave, Kathy Thies

08/08 Christine Agnew-Danback, Rosalina Maxfield, Heather Stiles

08/11 Nathan Decker, Carrie Green, Julie Hilkerbaumer

08/12 Rick Anderson, Scott Gardner, Adrianna Gurung
Aidan Zaza

08/13 Sanjay Gurung

Please contact the church office if your birthday has been omitted in error.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

08/07 Doug & Nancy Pfitzinger

08/10 Tyler & Heather Potter

Please contact the church office if your anniversary has been omitted in error.

ASCENSION MEMBERS AND FRIENDS SERVING AS FIRST RESPONDERS

Kevin Keller

Phil Green

Ross Hetz & Firehouse

Gary Steffens

Denise Strittmatter

LCMS CONGREGATIONS IN OUR SOUTH ST. LOUIS CIRCUIT

Ascension

Messiah

St. Luke's

Emmaus

Mt. Olive

St. Trinity

Epiphany

St. Johns

Timothy

Holy Cross

St. Lucas

Trinity

Hope

