

A silhouette of a person wearing a hooded robe, holding a long staff or scepter. The person is standing on a dark horizon line against a dramatic sky filled with golden, glowing clouds, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The overall mood is contemplative and spiritual.

And Abram
believed
the Lord,
and He counted
it to him as
righteousness.

Genesis 15:6

Ascension Lutheran Church and School
"A Church for Families, a Family for Everyone"
August 7, 2022

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
August 7, 2022

Welcome to all who are attending our service today. We are glad you are with us! To all guests and visitors, we especially extend our hands of friendship. May God bless the worship time for each one of you. Please come again!

NURSERY AVAILABLE We have an unstaffed nursery for your convenience and privacy. The nursery has audio and video so you may hear and see the worship service while attending to your child.

Holy Communion is celebrated at the 8:30 service on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month, and at the 11:00 service on the 2nd and 4th Sundays.

For those wishing to commune at the Lord's Table with us today: The Lutheran practice of close Communion attempts to prevent a person from eating and drinking judgment on himself (1 Corinthians 11:23–30). Thus, attendance at the Lord's Supper implies a four-level commitment to Christ. We believe that communicants must: (1) be baptized Christians; (2) accept the real presence of Christ's body in the bread and His blood in the wine; (3) confess and repent of one's sins and trust that God offers complete forgiveness of those sins in this Sacrament; and (4) share oneness of faith, doctrine and practice among those who commune. Those wishing to commune with us today who have not done so previously, please see the pastor or an elder before the service begins. (*Grape juice is available for those who do not drink alcohol, and gluten-free wafers are available upon request.*)

Para aquellos que desean participar en la Santa Cena con nosotros hoy: *La práctica luterana de la comunión intenta evitar que una persona coma y beba el juicio de Dios sobre sí mismo (1 Corintios 11:23–30). Por lo tanto, la asistencia a la Cena del Señor implica un compromiso de cuatro niveles con Cristo. Creemos que los comulgantes deben: (1) ser bautizados como cristianos; (2) aceptar la presencia real del cuerpo de Cristo en el pan y Su sangre en el vino; (3) confesar y arrepentirse de sus pecados y confiar en que Dios ofrece el perdón completo de esos pecados en este Sacramento; y (4) compartir la unidad de fe, doctrina y práctica entre los que comulgan. Aquellos que desean comulgan con nosotros hoy que no lo han hecho anteriormente, por favor vean al pastor o un anciano antes de que comience el servicio. (El jugo de uva está disponible para aquellos que no beben alcohol, y hostias libres de gluten están disponibles bajo petición.)*

(P = Pastor, C = Congregation, A = Reader/Assisting)

✠ PREPARATION ✠

THEME: “The Father Has Left You an Inheritance”

AS WE GATHER: In today’s Old Testament Reading, when Abram trusted God’s promise of a son, he and Sarai were old and childless. But God had much more than one son in mind for the patriarch: the Promised Land as an inheritance and innumerable descendants. The Epistle is a list of people who have preceded us in faith. And now it is our turn, for in one of Abraham’s offspring, Jesus, all God’s promises were fulfilled. And by the Holy Spirit’s gift of faith, we can trust Him for all we need. The promise is not only for the physical things we think we need; the inheritance is the promised land of heaven and citizenship in God’s kingdom. “Seek His kingdom, and these things will be added to you,” our Lord promises (Luke 12:31). Our faith-filled response echoes today’s Psalm: “Let Your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in You” (Psalm 33:22).

PRELUDE (11:00)

“Song Of Devotion”
(based on Philippians 1:3-11)
Music by John Ness Beck
Barbara Greco, soloist

*I thank my God on ev'ry remembrance of you,
always in ev'ry prayer of mine for you with joy;
I have you in my heart.*

*And this I pray, that your love may abound
yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment,
that ye may approve things that are excellent,
that ye may be sincere, being filled with the fruits
of righteousness unto the glory and praise of God.*

WELCOME

HYMN

“How Firm a Foundation”

How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can He say than to you He hath said
Who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?

Fear not, I am with you, O, be not dismayed,
For I am your God and will still give Thee aid!
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,
My grace, all sufficient, Shall be your supply.
The flame shall not hurt you; I only design
Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

Throughout all their lifetime My people will prove
My sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love;
And then, when gray hairs will their temples adorn,
Like lambs they will still in My bosom be borne.

INVOCATION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Luke 12:32

- P** Let us go to our gracious God, confessing our sins, trusting Him for grace and forgiveness.
C **We confess, heavenly Father, that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. Forgive us for Jesus' sake, strengthen our faith, and focus our hearts on Your kingdom, the inheritance He won for us in His death and resurrection.**
- P** "Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, it is by Your grace that we live as Your people who offer acceptable service. Grant that we may walk by faith, and not by sight, in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

SHARING THE PEACE OF THE LORD

P The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

✠ THE WORD ✠

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 15:1–6 (ESV)

(God tells Abram he will have a large family and, through one offspring, countless inheritors of His promises.)

¹ After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: “Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.”

² But Abram said, “O LORD God, what will You give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” ³ And Abram said, “Behold, You have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir.” ⁴ And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: “This Man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir.” ⁵ And He brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them.” Then He said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” ⁶ And he believed the LORD, and He counted it to him as righteousness.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

(People of faith before us are examples for us.)

- A** Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. For by it the people of old received their commendation. By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible. By faith Abel
- C** **offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts.**
- A** And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. By faith Enoch
- C** **was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him.**
- A** Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who seek Him. By faith Noah,
- C** **being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household.**
- A** By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith. By faith Abraham
- C** **obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance.**
- A** And he went out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. By faith Sarah herself
- C** **received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered Him faithful who had promised.**

A Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore. These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one.

C **Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared for them a city.**

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

LAMBS' LESSON

Pr. Jim Sprengle

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 12:22-23; 30-34 (ESV)

(Trust in God, for He knows what we truly need.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²² And He said to His disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. ²³ For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. ³⁰ For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. ³¹ Instead, seek His kingdom, and these things will be added to you. ³² "Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

PRAYER REQUESTS GATHERED BY AN ELDER

HYMN

“Have No Fear, Little Flock”

Have no fear, little flock; Have no fear, little flock,
For the Father has chosen To give you the Kingdom;
Have no fear little flock!

Have good cheer, little flock; Have good cheer, little flock,
For the Father will keep you In His love forever;
Have good cheer little flock!

Praise the Lord high above; Praise the Lord high above,
For He stoops down to heal you, Uplift and restore you;
Praise the Lord high above!

Thankful hearts raise to God; Thankful hearts raise to God,
For He stays close beside you, In all things works with you;
Thankful hearts raise to God!

SERMON

“THE WILL OF THE FATHER”

Genesis 15:1–6
Pr. Jim Sprengle

THE FIRST ARTICLE OF THE APOSTLES' CREED and EXPLANATION

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

P What does this mean?

C I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(Our offerings are made as an act of worship, given in loving response to all that God has graciously given us, both materially and spiritually.)

“Consider How The Birds Above”

(based on today’s Gospel)

S. Starke/D. Zager

Ensemble

*Consider how the birds above
Feed day by day with carefree ease—
Does God not keep them in His love?
Are we not worth much more than these?*

*The lilies grow, they do not toil;
How fair is their fragility—
If God clothes these which quickly spoil,
Will He not clothe both you and me?*

*Set not your heart on food or drink,
Nor be weighed down by worldly care;
About such things the godless think,
Yet never thank the Lord in prayer.*

*Be on your guard against all greed,
For life is more than what we own.
Our Father knows our ev’ry need
Before our needs to us are known.*

*Be not afraid to suffer loss
Of all the things for which you pray,
For He who faced for you the cross
Will give you strength to live each day.*

*Seek first God’s reign, His boundless grace,
His holy Name in all you do:
Christ first and last in ev’ry place;
All else will then be given you.*

RITE OF RECEPTION

(11:00am)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Genesis 15:1; Psalm 33:22; Hebrews 11:1; Luke 12:22, 32

P Let us pray for ourselves, the Church around the world, and all people in their various circumstances.

God said, "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield." Let us pray for everyone who faces this day in fear.

We join our prayers with everyone imprisoned unjustly, terrorized in lawless areas on earth, or trapped in painful illnesses. Gracious God, strengthen the faith they have or open their hearts to receive the Gospel; give them courage to act where it is wise and to know Your peace and protection amid unchanging circumstances. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Jesus said, "Do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on." Let us pray for all people who do not have adequate food, clothing, or shelter.

Guide governments, expand relief agencies, and inspire caring individuals of our communities, nation, and world so they may be Your instruments, O God, to provide what their citizens and neighbors need for life. Meet their needs as fits Your gracious plans for them. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Jesus asserted, "It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." Let us pray for the Church here and around the world. Grant us growth in faith and numbers, Lord Jesus, as we gather to hear Your Word, celebrate the Sacraments, and love the people around us.

Wherever the Church is found on earth, raise up leaders to proclaim the Gospel and faithful people to show their faith in Your promises and the inheritance You have promised. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P God of all life and healing, we pray for all who call out to You for relief from illness, pain, or difficult circumstances...that You would hear their prayers and graciously answer them in Your almighty wisdom and love. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord of all joy and blessing, we pray for those who are celebrating this week...that You would bless and preserve them in the year to come and give them thankful hearts for Your gracious gifts. Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

P These and any other things You would have us ask of You, heavenly Father, grant to us for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, in whose name we pray.
C **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray:
C **Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

(11:00am service, please turn to page 13 for the Benediction)

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

We believe in the real presence of the body and blood of Christ in Holy Communion.

Here our Lord offers to us the forgiveness of all our sins.

(Grape juice is available in the center of the trays for those who do not drink alcohol, and gluten-free wafers are available upon request.)

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.
C **We lift them to the Lord.**

- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PAX DOMINI

(Latin for "Peace of the Lord"—the response is "Amen!" or "So be it!")

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.

DISTRIBUTION SONGS

"I Am The Bread Of Life"

"I am the Bread of life,
You who come to Me shall not hunger,
and who believe in Me shall not thirst.
No one can come to Me
Unless the Father beckons."

(Refrain)

**"And I will raise you up, And I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up on the last day."**

"The bread that I will give
Is My flesh for the life of the world,
And if you eat of this bread,
you shall live forever,
you shall live forever." **(refrain)**

"Unless you eat
Of the flesh of the Son of Man
And drink of His blood,
And drink of His blood,
You shall not have life within you." **(refrain)**

"I am the Resurrection, I am the Life.
If you believe in Me, Even though you die,
You shall live forever." **(refrain)**

Yes, Lord, I believe That You are the Christ,
The Son of God,
Who has come into the world. **(refrain)**

“People Need The Lord”

Ev’ryday they pass me by. I can see it in their eyes.
Empty people filled with care. Headed who knows where.
On they go through private pain Living fear to fear.
Laughter hides the silent cries, Only Jesus hears.

(Chorus)

**People need the Lord. People need the Lord.
At the end of broken dreams He’s the open door.
People need the Lord. People need the Lord.
When will we realize People need the Lord.**

We are called to take His light To a world where wrong seems right.
What could be too great a cost For sharing life with one who’s lost?
Through His love our hearts can feel All the grief they bear.
They must hear the words of life Only we can share. **(chorus)**

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this gift of life, health, and peace. Strengthen us through it that we reflect in our daily living the eternal inheritance that is ours through our incorporation into the Body of Christ; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26*

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONG

“You Are My All In All”

You are my strength when I am weak,
You are the treasure that I seek,
You are my All in All.
Seeking You as a precious jew'l,
Lord to give up I'd be a fool,
You are my All in All.
Jesus Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name!
Jesus Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name!

Taking my sin, my cross my shame,
Rising again I bless Your name,
You are my All in All.
When I fall down You pick me up,
When I am dry You fill my cup,
You are my All in All.
Jesus Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name!
Jesus Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name!

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
C Thanks be to God!

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† BOTTOMS UP FUNDRAISER SALE!

To get ready for our next ministry program, we are organizing the basement classrooms. There will be a sale of toys and supplies that are no longer needed on **Friday, August 12 and Saturday, August 13 from 10am to 4pm**. Volunteers are needed both days to manage the sale. Check with Karla Deal about helping.

† ANNUAL FRIENDSHIP SUNDAY AND POTLUCK

We will all Worship together with **one** worship service on Sunday, Aug. 28 at 10:30am for our annual Friendship Sunday worship service. The service will be followed by a potluck gathering in the Community Room. The church will provide main meat, drinks, and dinnerware for all. If you have a favorite side dish or dessert, please bring it if you can. Invite your friends and family and join us for Worship, Fellowship, Food, and Fun!

- Following is a general guide for what food to bring.
Remember, keep the number of servings per dish to 6-8 people.
 - Last names beginning with A through Q – please bring a side dish for 6 to 8 people, i.e. salad, casserole, baked beans, vegetables, fruit, chips, etc.
 - Last names beginning with R through Z – please bring a dessert serving 6 to 8 people.

Can you help with setup and/or cleanup? Contact Margo Bachhuber or Debbie Rekdahl or sign up in the Narthex on the sheet provided there.

† A BIG THANK YOU FROM GINA KREPS

I want to say a big thank you to everyone for all the prayers while I was in the hospital and still while I am at home. I feel that all the prayers are the main reason that I have been doing as well as I have.

† **WORSHIP & MUSIC NEWS AND NOTES:**

A word of thanks to our choir and soloists for their musical contributions to our worship in the past months. Also, thank you to those who are sharing special music during the summer months.

CHOIR IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR FELLOWSHIP and BLESSING!

Our first rehearsal will be Thursday, August 25 at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary. Please see Brad Hall if you have any questions.

HANDCHIME CHOIR

Do you have interest in playing music for worship in a group where you DON'T have to sing? Then chimes are for you! You don't have to have any prior musical knowledge, but we can teach it to you along the way. Okay, maybe it would help if you can keep a beat! Please see Brad Hall if you would like to participate.

EVENTS THIS WEEK – Sunday, Aug. 7 – Saturday, Aug.

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Sunday, Aug. 7	8:30am	Worship with communion
	9:45am	Education Hour
	11:00am	Worship
	6:00pm	Online Worship Posted
Tuesday, Aug. 9	6:00pm	Council Meeting
Friday, Aug. 12	10am-4pm	Bottoms Up Fundraiser
	6:30pm	Noche Familiar
Saturday, Aug. 13	10:30am-12pm	Chosen Bible Study 2
	10am-4pm	Bottoms Up Fundraiser
	5:00-7:00pm	Choir Party

EVENTS NEXT WEEK – Sunday, Aug. 14 – Saturday, Aug. 20

Sunday, Aug. 14	8:30am	Worship
	9:45am	Education Hour
	11:00am	Worship with communion
	6:00pm	Online Worship Posted
Tuesday, Aug. 16	6:00pm	3:10 Group
Wednesday, Aug. 17	11:00am	CareConnect
Friday, Aug. 19	6:30pm	Noche Familiar
Saturday, Aug. 20	8:30am	Church Cleanup

ASSISTING IN SERVICE THIS AUGUST 7, 2022

	8:30am	11:00am
Elder:	Dave Oswald	Bob Ritchie
Acolytes:		
Ushers:	Jim Eckart Stan Chapulis Randy Schroeder NEEDED	John Knoke Marcus Young
Audio/Visual:	Laura Potter	Michele Sprengle
PowerPoint:	Debbie Rekdahl	Michele Sprengle
Greeters:	Margo Bachhuber Elizabeth Alvarado	Riki Neagle Carrie Graham
Readers:	Karla Deal	Carlyn Staudt
Altar Circle:	Both Services	Debbie Rekdahl
Flowers:	Both Services	
Counters:	Both Services	Bob and Elaina Ritchie

ASSISTING IN SERVICE SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 2022

	8:30am	11:00am
Elder:	Bruce Blubaum	Herb Hoefer
Acolytes:		
Ushers:	Bob Rekdahl NEEDED	Johnnie Driessner Matthias McInaney Bob Freeman Marcus Young
Audio/Visual:	Teresa Osgood	Laura Potter
PowerPoint:	Taylor Osgood	Rebecca Williamson
Greeters:	Wanda Cassetty	Julie Williamson
Readers:	Travis Osgood	Julie Williamson
Altar Circle:	Both Services	Wendy Hazen
Flowers:	Both Services	
Counters:	Both Services	Dave and Jan Oswald

† PRAYER NEEDS?

Contact the church office with any requests call: 503-665-8821
or

e-mail: office@alcportland.org

† PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

Gina Kreps, The family of Shorty Bauch, Emily Kohnke (Webber Family), Alondra (a friend of Gina Kreps), Rich Zahursky, MaryLou May, Mike Hatley, Lorraine Haggard, Andrew May, Esperanza Gutierrez, Kim Laxton, Judy Blubaum, Antonia Martinez (mother of Esperanza Gutierrez), Ava Wentela (Sue Wentela's granddaughter), Carol Santorufo (sister of Sue Wentela), Mike Fogarty, Members and friends with Covid, The people of Ukraine, *Barbara Schrader, *Larry Hart, *Dale Porath. *Home Bound.

† **PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY:**

Marie Cassetty Brown, Air Force — Little Rock, Arkansas (sister-in-law of Wanda Cassetty);

Dakota Saunders, US Navy — Based in Cecilia Italy (godson of Carrie Graham);

Alex Williamson, Air Force, Reserve — Washington (grandson of Rebecca Williamson);

Michael Williamson, Air Force, Reserve — Texas (grandson of Rebecca Williamson);

Jamie Wong-Lopez, Marines — Annapolis MD (nephew of Kevin and Merci McInaney);

Clayton Wright, Air Force – Yokota AFB Japan (grandson of Virginia Jacobs);

Colton Wright, Navy — (grandson of Virginia Jacobs);

Tyler Young, Navy — Deployed (nephew of Karen Arronson).

† **MILESTONES**

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS:

Douglas Whittier	8/7	Carolyn Barendse	8/8
Suzy Lambert	8/12	Mary Niska	8/13

BIRTHDAYS:

Barbara Lewis	8/7	Lesly Aguilar	8/8
Don Brown	8/8	Rosalba Lavadores	8/8
Dave Oswald	8/8	Suzy Lambert	8/12

Wedding Anniversaries (This week and last Week):

Erik and Celia Kreps	Aug. 1, 1998
Don and Norma Dillon	Aug. 2, 1970
Tim and Karla Deal	Aug. 4, 1979
Bill and Sylvia Guthrie	Aug. 6, 1959

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Our Mission Statement:

~Go and Share Jesus Christ~

Our Vision Statement:

“Take part...Join Jesus on His mission”

The members of Ascension Lutheran Church are committed to being God ‘s witnesses in Gresham, and in all of Portland and the Northwest, and to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:8):

With the universal Christian Church, we believe, teach and respond to the love of the Triune God— the Father, Creator of all that exists; the Son Jesus Christ, Who left His home in Heaven to become flesh and blood, to suffer and die for the sins of all peoples of the world, and Who rose from the grave, victorious over sin, death and the devil, that we too might live with Him in Heaven; and the Holy Spirit, Who creates faith in our hearts in Christ Jesus through God ‘s Word and Sacrament. The three Persons of the Holy Trinity are one God, co-equal and co-eternal. The core teachings of our faith from the Lutheran perspective can be summarized in three short phrases: Grace alone, Scripture alone, Faith alone.

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