"Who are you, Lord?" And He said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. Acts 9:5

> ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH "A Church for Families, a Family for Everyone" Sunday, May 4, 2025

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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 Lords 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 Lords Supper implies a four-level commitment to Christ. We believe that communicants must: (1) be baptized Christians; (2) accept the real presence of Christs body in the bread and His blood in the wine; (3) confess and repent of ones 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.)

+ PREPARATION +

THEME: "I AM JESUS" CHANGES EVERYTHING

AS WE GATHER: Was there a more dramatic conversion story than with Saul of Damascus? Even the one who orchestrated the persecution and martyrdom of the first Christians surrenders to the power of Christ and His resurrection. Without Christ, all his knowledge of the Old Testament was incomplete, but in Christ, he is born anew by Baptism and the Spirit. Instead of turning his world upside down, at last Paul has his life right side up. We may not have experienced the drama of the Damascus road, but our lives have been set right in Christ fully and finally. Knowing Christ and the power of His resurrection means that all things have been made new and right with the Lord, for the living of this life and for the assurance of eternal life.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Revelation Song

(based on today's second reading)

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain; Holy, holy is He. Sing a new song to Him who sits on Heaven's mercy seat.

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain; Holy, holy is He. Sing a new song to Him who sits on Heaven's mercy seat.

Chorus Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, Who was, and is, and is to come. With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings. You are my ev'rything and I will adore You.

Clothed in rainbows of living color, Flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder. Blessing and honor, strength and glory and power Be to You, the only wise King. **(chorus)** Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder, At the mention of Your name. Jesus, Your name is Power, Breath and Living Water, Such a marv'lous mystery. (chorus twice)

INVOCATION

- C Amen.

BAPTISM OF ARLO REINERT (11:00am service)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Psalm 30:5, 8

- **P** To You, O LORD, I cry,
- **G** and to the Lord I plead for mercy.
- **P** For His anger is but for a moment, and His favor is for a lifetime.
- Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

Silence for meditation and reflection.

- Let us confess our sins before God and in the presence of one another.
- I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.
- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

- He who began this good work within you will bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of the Lord be with you.
- C Amen.

"Open Our Eyes"

Open our eyes Lord, We want to see Jesus, To reach out and touch Him, And say that we love Him. Open our ears Lord, And help us to listen, Open our eyes Lord, We want to see Jesus. **(repeat)**

SALUTATION

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

Merciful Father, in Your great love You bestowed forgiveness upon Saul, and by Your Spirit, You brought him to faith in Your Son. Grant that we, too, may be rescued from unbelief and, by Your grace, be granted the favor of Your friendship and redemption to believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior, and to serve His purpose in all that we do; 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.
- And also with you.

FIRST READING

Acts 9:1-22 (ESV)

¹But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ²and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem.

³Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?" ⁵And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And He said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. ⁶But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." ⁷The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. ⁸Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. ⁹And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank. ¹⁰Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." ¹¹And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, ¹²and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." ¹³But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. ¹⁴And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on Your name." ¹⁵But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of Mine to carry My name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. ¹⁶For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of My name." ¹⁷So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁸And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized; ¹⁹and taking food, he was strengthened. For some days he was with the disciples at Damascus. ²⁰And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God." ²¹And all who heard him were amazed and said, "Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this Name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?" ²²But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

¹¹Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, ¹²saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" ¹³And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" ¹⁴And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

LAMBS' LESSON

HOLY GOSPEL

John 21:1-14 (ESV)

Pr. Jim Sprengle

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twenty-first chapter.
 Glory to You, O Lord.

¹After this Jesus revealed Himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and He revealed Himself in this way. ²Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of His disciples were together. ³Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. ⁴Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered Him, "No." ⁶He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. ⁷That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter. "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. ⁸The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off. ⁹When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. ¹⁰Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught."

Revelation 5:11-14 (ESV)

¹¹So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹²Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask Him, "Who are You?" They knew it was the Lord. ¹³Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. ¹⁴This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after He was raised from the dead.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

G Praise to You, O Christ.

PRAYER/LOVE IN ACTION REQUESTS GATHERED

"Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake"

LSB 688

- "Come, follow Me," the Savior spake, "All in My way abiding;
 Deny yourselves, the world forsake, Obey My call and guiding.
 O bear the cross, whate'er betide, Take My example for your guide.
- 2 "I am the light, I light the way, A godly life displaying;
 I bid you walk as in the day;
 I keep your feet from straying.
 I am the way, and well I show
 How you must sojourn here below.
- 3 "My heart abounds in lowliness, My soul with love is glowing;
 And gracious words My lips express, With meekness overflowing.
 My heart, My mind, My strength, My all, To God I yield, on Him I call.
- 5 Then let us follow Christ, our Lord, And take the cross appointed
 And, firmly clinging to His Word, In suff'ring be undaunted.
 For those who bear the battle's strain The crown of heav'nly life obtain.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into Heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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.)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Emboldened by Your mercy, we come before You, O Lord, with the prayers and petitions of our hearts and with confidence in Your good and gracious will to answer our prayers.

By Your grace, O Lord, You turned Saul from an enemy of Your kingdom into Your servant and sent him as an apostle to the Gentiles. Help us to turn away from rebelling against You, and open our hearts to Your Word. Lord, in Your mercy,

- C hear our prayer.
- In Your will, O Lord, Your Son established the Church. Continue to set apart pastors to feed the people of Your pasture upon the food of Your Word and Sacraments. Bless Matthew, our Synod president; Michael, our district president; myself and all other pastors and church workers that our service may be fruitful and faithful. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

By Your power, O Lord, You order the nations of the earth and hold our leaders accountable for justice, for the promotion of virtue, and for peace. Bless us with good and honest leaders who will hear and heed Your voice that we may live peaceful and quiet lives. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- By Your grace, O Lord, You have named us as Your own in the baptismal water and joined us to Christ's death and resurrection. Grant that by Your grace we may live holy, upright, and godly lives, displaying in our life and conduct the goodness of Your love and mercy. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- According to Your will, O Lord, You heal the sick. Hear us on behalf of all who suffer any ill of body or mind...Grant them strength for the day and keep them in Your grace to everlasting life. Guard us against despair and keep us in the day of trouble. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- In Your goodness, You have blessed us richly. We thank You for all that we enjoy, and we lift up to You those who celebrate this week...Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

 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 14 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.
- And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- 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

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

+ DISTRIBUTION HYMNS +

"This Is the Feast"

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

LSB 155

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, Whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, And honor, blessing, and glory are His.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, And join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, glory, and might Be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

"At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing"

LSB 633

- At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to our victorious King, Who has washed us in the tide Flowing from His piercèd side. Alleluia!
- 2 Praise we Him, whose love divine Gives His sacred blood for wine, Gives His body for the feast— Christ the victim, Christ the priest. Alleluia!
- 3 Where the paschal blood is poured, Death's dread angel sheathes the sword; Israel's hosts triumphant go Through the wave that drowns the foe. Alleluia!

- Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Paschal victim, paschal bread; With sincerity and love Eat we manna from above. Alleluia!
- 5 Mighty Victim from the sky, Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie; You have conquered in the fight, You have brought us life and light. Alleluia!
- 6 Now no more can death appall, Now no more the grave enthrall; You have opened paradise, And Your saints in You shall rise. Alleluia!
- 7 Easter triumph, Easter joy! This alone can sin destroy; From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free, Newborn souls in You to be. Alleluia!
- A 8 Father, who the crown shall give, Savior, by whose death we live, Spirit, guide through all our days: Three in One, Your name we praise. Alleluia!

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P Let us pray.

We give You thanks, O Lord, that You have rescued us from our rebellion and redeemed us from sin and its death. May our lives reflect what we have received here in the Word of the Gospel and the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ. Preserve us and strengthen us in our faith even to life everlasting; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

- 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

(See the FYI in the back of the Bulletin for more information.)

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me. I once was lost, but now I'm found, Was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved. How precious did that grace appear, The hour I first believed.

(Chorus) My chains are gone, I've been set free. My God, my Savior, has ransomed me. And like a flood His mercy rains, Unending love, amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures. He will my shield and portion be, As long as life endures. **(chorus twice)**

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, The sun forbear to shine. But God, who called me here below, Will be forever mine, Will be forever mine, You are forever mine.

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

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Thank you to the Cassetty Family for the lovely Altar flowers in honor of Wanda and Samantha's Birthdays, given to the glory of God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

† RE:VITALITY

The LCMS Re:Vitality program is offering Ascension Lutheran Church the opportunity to do a self-assessment to see how their resources can benefit us. We need honest feedback from anyone connected to our congregation, especially you! Grab a card from the Table by the door in the Narthex to see how you can participate.

† ANNUAL EASTER BREAKFAST

Thanks so much to all the people who volunteered, cooked, donated and more to make the Easter breakfast amazing! We are so grateful to all of you who attended as this helped us earn \$549 for our benevolence fund that assists those in need.

† SUPPORT SNOW CAP WITH PROTEINS

During the month of May, the Human Care Board is requesting that members donate protein food items into the Snow Cap bin in the narthex. (Suggested items include: peanut butter, tuna, beans, etc.) These items will be delivered to Snow Cap to help with the nutritional needs of people in our community. Thank you for your support.

† INTRODUCING "IRON MEN" – MONTHLY MEN'S BREAKFAST AND DEVOTION

"Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another." Proverbs 27:17

This group will meet *the fourth* Saturday of each month from 8:00–9:00ambeginning Saturday, May 24 in the Community Room.

Men of the congregation and community you are invited to join us to connect, grow in faith, and encourage one another through God's Word and fellowship.

The gathering will focus on Christian brotherhood and spiritual growth. We'll meet for a simple breakfast (think breakfast burritos and coffee), followed by a brief devotion shared by one of the men. After the devotion, we'll open up time for group discussion, allowing us to reflect on the Word and how it applies to our lives. We'll close with the Lord's Prayer and finish by 9:00am. For more information or to RSVP, contact Pastor Jim.

† THE LUTHERAN CHORAL ASSOCIATION

This 70-voice ecumenical group continues its long tradition of singing praises to God with members from over 60 churches of various denominations. The choir rehearses on Monday from 7:00-9:00pm in preparation for the four Sunday concerts beginning September 14.

No audition is necessary but experience in singing choral music is helpful. Rehearsals are at Peace Lutheran Church, 2201 N Rosa Parks Way, Portland, OR 97217. Please arrive a bit early for our first rehearsal on June 2nd. For more information, go to lutheranchoral.org or contact LCA president, Mark Hoelter at mark@hoelter.net or 503-936-4916.

† PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

Bonnie Webber, The Family of Carol Hoefer, Ed Hubbard, Bill Guthrie, Joann Schulz's grandson, Brett)Randy Bryant's sister-in-law (Diana), Riki Neagle, Bobbie Adams, Mike Fogarty, Jim Eckart, Gina Kreps, Mae Smith, Ed Hubbard, Alma Bangs, Virginia Jacob's brother (Robert), Esperanza Gutierrez' mother (Antonia), *Barbara Schrader, *Larry Hart, *Mel and Lorraine Haggard. *Home Bound.

† PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY

Brett Monson – Navy, San Diego CA (Grandson of Joann Schulz) Michael Williamson, Air Force, Reserve, Texas (grandson of Rebecca Williamson);

Jamie Wong-Lopez, Navy, Kaneohe Bay HI (nephew of Merci McInaney);

Clayton Wright, Air Force – (grandson of Virginia Jacobs); Colton Wright, Navy – (grandson of Virginia Jacobs);

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

Bradley Zeller, Army – Fort Lewis WA (grandson of Neil and Deb Zeller)

Kyle Zeller, Army – Ft. Hood TX (grandson of Neil and Deb Zeller)

ASSISTING IN SERVICE TODAY, SUN., MAY 4, 2025

	8:30am	11:00am
Elder:	Dave Oswald	Bob Ritchie
Acolytes:	NEEDED	NEEDED
Ushers:	Stan Chapulis	Matthias McInaney
	John Aden	Marcus Young
Audio/Visual:	Laura Potter	Michele Sprengle
PowerPoint:	Jenny Schuldheisz	John Hazen
Greeters:	Margo Bachhuber	Riki Neagle
	Elizabeth Alvarado	
Readers:	Peggy Hall	J. E. Knox
Altar Guild:	Both Services: Jan Oswald	
Flowers:	Both Services: Wanda Cassetty	
Counters:	Both Services: Dave and Jan Oswald	
Sunday School	9:45am: Michele and Carrie	

ASSISTING IN SERVICE NEXT SUN., MAY 11, 2025

Elder: Acolytes: Ushers:	8:30am Herb Hoefer NEEDED Stan Chapulis Jim Eckart	11:00am Randy Schroeder NEEDED John Aden Bob Freeman James Freeman
Audio/Visual:	Teresa Osgood	Wyatt Brown
PowerPoint:	Tom Osgood	Katherine Houk
Greeters:	Millie Edwards	Christina Freeman
Readers:	Sheryl Maier	Sue Rotramel
Altar Guild:	Both Services: Virginia Jacobs	
Flowers:	Both Services: John and Wendy Hazen	
Counters: Sunday School	Both Services: Karon Keup and Sheryl Maier 9:45am: Hana and Gina	

EVENTS THIS WEEK - SUN., MAY 4 - SAT., MAY 10

Sunday, May 4	8:30am	Worship with Communion
	9:45am	Adult Ed and Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship
	12:15pm	NO Bell Practice
	5:00pm	Spanish Worship
Monday, May 5	1:00pm	Human Care Board Mtg.
	6:00pm	Young Adult Bible Study
Tuesday, May 6	6:00pm	Elder Meeting
Thursday, May 8	6:00pm	Praise Team
	7:00pm	Choir Practice
Friday, May 9	5:30pm	Confirmation

EVENTS NEXT WEEK - SUN., MAY 11 - SAT., MAY 17

Sunday, May 11	8:30am 9:45am 11:00am 12:15pm	Worship Adult Ed and Sunday School Worship with Communion Bell Practice
	5:00pm	Spanish Worship with Comm.
Monday, May 12	6:00pm	Young Adult Bible Study
Tuesday, May 13	2:00pm	Women's Bible Study
	6:00pm	Council Meeting
Thursday, May 15	6:00pm	Praise Team
	7:00pm	Choir Practice

Friday, May 16	•	Confirmation Youth and Family Night
Saturday, May 17	•	LWML Group Gathering

MILESTONES – Sunday, May 4 – Saturday, May 10

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS:			
Hilary Sylvia	May 5	Rebecca Williamso	n May 5
Karin Richardson	May 8		
BIRTHDAYS:			
Gary Markwart	May 4	Donna Strutz	May 4
Wanda Cassetty	May 5	Millie Edwards	May 5
Lily Fogarty	May 5	Herb Hoefer	May 5
Esperanza Gutierrez	May 6	Samantha Brannies	s May 7
Nichole Fogarty	May 7	Mel Haggard	May 9
Becky Mora	May 9	Jean Dillon	May 10
Carrie Graham	May 10		
WEDDINGS:	Jim and Barb	Conway	May 4, 2024

LAST WEEK AT ASCENSION

Offerings for Sunday April 27, 2025	\$6,385.25
Weekly Budgeted Needs	<u>\$8,240.72</u>
Difference	- \$1,855.47
Year-to-Date Income Year-to-Date Expenses	\$333,581.73 <u>\$355,420.84</u> - \$21,839.11
Attendance	8:30am – 48
Sunday, April 27, 2025:	11:00am – 64
Total Attendance:	<u>112</u>

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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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