

"They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb." Revelation 7:14

Ascension Lutheran Church "A Church for Families, a Family for Everyone" November 06, 2022

All Saints' Day (observed) November 06, 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.)

$(\mathbf{P} = \text{Pastor}, \mathbf{C} = \text{Congregation}, \mathbf{A} = \text{Reader/Assisting})$

+ PREPARATION +

THEME: "The Blessings of the Saints"

AS WE GATHER: In our Confessions, we say that we remember the saints so we may give thanks for them and their witness, so we might be strengthened by their example, and so we might be moved to follow them as they followed Christ. This is not about hero worship, but it is about recognizing the faithful who went before us, who trusted in Christ, and who were received into His mercy. It is about being encouraged as we fight the good fight here and now. It is also about looking to the great reunion when finally all the faithful will be together forever in the marriage supper of the Lamb without end.

PRELUDE (11:00)

"Blessed Are The Dead"

(based on Revelation 14:13) Michael Larkin Ascension Choir

Blessed are the dead who died in the Lord our God. "Blessed indeed," says the Spirit, "That they may rest from their labors, For their deeds follow them."

WELCOME

HYMN

"For All Your Saints, O Lord" (tune: FESTAL SONG)

For all Your saints, O Lord, Who strove in You to live Who followed You, obeyed, adored, Our grateful hymn receive.

For all Your saints, O Lord, Who strove in You to die, Who counted You their great reward, Accept our thankful cry. For this Your name we bless, And humbly pray anew That we like them in holiness May live and die in You.

△ To God, the Father, Son, And Spirit ever blest, The One in Three, the Three in One, Be endless praise addressed.

INVOCATION

C Amen.

OPENING SCRIPTURE Revelation 14:13; 21:1-4

- Brothers and sisters, let us rejoice in the vision of John: I saw a new heaven and a new earth! The old heaven and the old earth and the sea had disappeared.
- C Then I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, descending from God out of heaven, beautiful as a bride adorned for her husband.
- A great voice thundered from heaven: "See, God is making His home with mortals! He will live with them. They will be His people.
- And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death, or sorrow, or crying, or pain. All of this will be gone forever!" Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen.
- P We are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses.
- **C** Death has no dominion over them.
- P Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord,
- **C** For theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

On this observance of All Saints' Day, let us confess our sins unto our holy and eternal God.

O almighty God, merciful Father,

- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- 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.
 Amen.

SALUTATION

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

O God of majesty and might, whom the saints and angels delight to worship on high, we give You thanks for the faithful who have gone before us and now live in Your nearer presence. Give us not only the blessing of their witness, but the grace to live as faithfully within our own time and amid our own challenges. Bring us at last with them into the fulfillment of that hope of perfection that we will know when together we stand before Your unveiled glory; 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.
- **G** And also with you.

+ THE WORD +

FIRST READING

Revelation 7:9–17 (ESV)

(The Lamb will be their shepherd; He will guide them to springs of living water and wipe every tear from their eyes.)

⁹ After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰ and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹ And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹² saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." ¹³ Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" ¹⁴ I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵ "Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in His temple; and He who sits on the throne will shelter them with His presence. ¹⁶ They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. ¹⁷ For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and He will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- G Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

1 John 3:1-3 (ESV)

(Beloved, we are God's children now.)

¹See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know Him. ² Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when He appears we shall be like Him, because we shall see Him as He is. ³And everyone who thus hopes in Him purifies himself as He is pure.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

LAMBS' LESSON

Pr. Jim Sprengle

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1–12 (ESV)

(Rejoice and be glad, for great is your reward in heaven.)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the fifth chapter.
 Glory to You, O Lord.

¹Seeing the crowds, He went up on the mountain, and when He sat down, His disciples came to Him. ²And He opened His mouth and taught them, saying: ³"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ⁴"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. ⁵"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. ⁶"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. ⁷"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. ⁸"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. ⁹"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. ¹⁰"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ¹¹"Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

PRAYER / LOVE IN ACTION REQUESTS GATHERED

HYMN

"Jerusalem The Golden"

Jerusalem the golden, With milk and honey blest— The promise of salvation, The place of peace and rest— We know not, oh, we know not What joys await us there; The radiancy of glory, The bliss beyond compare!

Within those halls of Zion Sounds forth the joyful song, As saints join with the angels and all the martyr throng. The Prince is ever with them; The daylight is serene; The city of the blessed Shines bright with glorious sheen.

Around the throne of David, The saints, from care released, Raise loud their songs of triumph To celebrate the feast. They sing to Christ their leader, Who conquered in the fight, Who won for them forever Their gleaming robes of white.

SERMON

"ALL IN ONE"

Revelation 7:9–17 Pr. Jim Sprengle

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by Whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from Heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into Heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. 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 (8:30) "Blessed Are The Dead"

"Blessed Are The Dead" (based on Revelation 14:13) Michael Larkin Ascension Choir

Blessed are the dead who died in the Lord our God. "Blessed indeed," says the Spirit, "That they may rest from their labors, For their deeds follow them."

Holy Scripture says in Psalm 116:15: "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints." On this All Saints' Day, we remember and give thanks and praise to God for the life and for the death of His saints. We rejoice with those who rejoice, and that includes rejoicing with those whose happiness now knows no end in the kingdom of glory. During the past year, families in our congregation and our extended church family have been impacted greatly by the death of ones we love. As those who trust in Jesus Christ, we do not grieve as the rest of the world grieves. We grieve in hope, we pray with confidence, and we live with certainty that those who have died in Christ are secure in His presence. We also rejoice that one day we shall join them in their heavenly joy, which knows no end.

(sung)

O, God of life, give rest and peace To all who sleep in death, Till dawn of never ending day Shall wake their dust to breath.

We honor the life of and give thanks to God for these His saints:

Lyle Guericke Joyce Keuther Bill Ritchie Carolyn Erdmann Ray Brown Leonard Murphy Fred Greco Richard Robertson Lois Fabbri Adolph "Shorty" Bauch Esperanza Ureno Pat Hartwig

(sung)

O, God of life, give rest and peace To all who sleep in death, Till dawn of never-ending day Shall wake their dust to breath.

 Let us pray. Merciful Father, whose dear Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, rose victoriously over death and the grave, we remember with thanksgiving Your faithful people who have trusted in Christ, whose tears are gone, and whose sorrows You have turned to joy. We humbly implore You to strengthen us in the confident hope of the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for all the children of God, members of His heavenly kingdom, and also for all others whose needs are known to the Lord, that they may experience the certainty of His promises and blessings in their lives.

> Gracious Father, we are richly blessed to come unto Jesus at His gracious invitation and to be assured of our identity as Your children and members of Your eternal kingdom. Inspire in us a dedication to the priorities of Your kingdom, O Lord, that we may dedicate ourselves to worshiping You and to making Your love known to all the world. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our praver.

- C hear our
- Loving Savior, many things in this world distract us from Your Word and draw us away from spending time in Your presence. Renew us, dear Jesus, by the Word that we have heard this day and by the blessed meal at Your table. Remind us of Your forgiveness for our trespasses and restoration for our brokenness that, with hearts and hands lifted to You, we rejoice always, pray continually, and give thanks in all circumstances, for this is Your will for Your children. Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer.
- Healing Savior, Your ministry on earth included bringing heaven's touch to many who were afflicted with pain and suffering. Each of us has upon our hearts and minds people in need of healing mercies this day, and, for these and for all others who are sick, hurting, undergoing procedures, and those who grieve, we ask for Your special care and healing touch to be extended...Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer.
- Lord of grace and blessing, we praise You for all Your good gifts, and we pray for those who celebrate this week...May their rejoicing be a witness to others of Your goodness and love. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **G** hear Your children pray!

 Into Your hands of mercy, faithful Father, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Him who invites us to experience the certainty of faith that belongs to members of His heavenly kingdom, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
 Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

Our Father, which 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 debts as we forgive our debtors, And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil, For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, Forever. Amen.

(11:00am service, please turn to page 14 for the Benediction)

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

(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

"Blest Are They"

Blest are they, the poor in spirit; Theirs is the kingdom of God. Blest are they, full of sorrow; They shall be consoled.

(Refrain) Rejoice and be glad! Blessèd are you, holy are you. Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God.

Blest are they, the lowly ones; They shall inherit the earth. Blest are they who hunger and thirst; They shall have their fill. (refrain)

Blest are they who show mercy; Mercy shall be theirs. Blest are they, the pure of heart; They shall see God! (refrain)

Blest are they who seek peace; They are the children of God. Blest are they who suffer in faith; The glory of God is theirs. **(refrain)**

Blest are you who suffer hate, All because of Me. Rejoice and be glad, yours is the kingdom; Shine for all to see. (refrain)

"Shall We Gather At The River?"

Shall we gather at the river, Where bright angel feet have trod, with its crystal tide forever Flowing by the throne of God?

(Refrain) Yes, we'll gather at the river, The beautiful, the beautiful river; gather with the saints at the river That flows by the throne of God. On the margin of the river, Washing up its silver spray, we will walk and worship ever, All the happy golden day. (refrain)

Ere we reach the shining river, Lay we every burden down; grace our spirits will deliver, And provide a robe and crown. (refrain)

At the smiling of the river, Mirror of the Savior's face, Saints, whom death will never sever, Lift their songs of saving grace. (refrain)

Soon we'll reach the shining river, Soon our pilgrimage will cease; soon our happy hearts will quiver With the melody of peace. (refrain)

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P Let us pray.

Merciful Father, grace and blessing surround us, and the lives of the company of the saints give testament to Your mercy. Guard what You have begun in us at our Baptism, that we may be a blessing to those who come after us, and at the last, reunite us together before Your throne on high, where there is no night, no sorrow, and no death anymore; 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

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

HYMN

For all the saints who from their labors rest, All, who by faith before the world confessed, Your Name, O Jesus, be forever blest, Alleluia! Alleluia!

You were their rock, their fortress, and their might; You, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; You, in the darkness drear, their one true light, Alleluia! Alleluia!

Oh, may your soldiers, faithful, true, and bold, Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old, And win with them the victor's crown of gold, Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, Singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost: Alleluia! Alleluia!

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

G Thanks be to God!

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Thanks to Lottie Guericke for donating the lovely Altar flowers in Memory of her husband, Lyle Guericke.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

† WOMEN'S RETREAT ON NOV. 19

"WHERE LOVE ABIDES." Registration closes today, Nov 6th. It's a one-day event at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, on Saturday, Nov. 19, 2022, from 9:00am to 3:30pm. For more information contact MAE Smith or to register go to: *www.bslc.com/women.html*

† THE HUMAN CARE BOARD FOOD COLLECTION

We are once again collecting nonperishable food for SnowCap on Thanksgiving Eve. If you need one, blue Walmart bags are available on the table next to the front door for your use. If you give a monetary donation that night, it will be used to benefit the benevolence fund.

† FLOWER CHART OPENINGS

Look at the flower chart and see if there are any special dates for which you might want to bring flowers. There are still dates left for this year.

† THE CHOSEN SEASON 2 CONTINUES

Our next class is Saturday, November 12 at 10:30am.

† SECURITY GUIDELINES FOR OUR PREMISES

This important document will be posted in the Narthex. Please review so you will be aware of these procedures.

† CRAFTING CONTINUES each Wednesday at 2:00pm

† PRAYER NEEDS?

Contact the church office with any requests call: 503-665-8821 or e-mail: office@alcportland.org

ASSISTING IN SERVICE SUNDAY, NOV. 6, 2022

8:30am	11:00am		
Elder:	Randy Schroeder	Dan Parshall	
Acolytes:			
Ushers:	Stan Chapulis	Matthias McInaney	
	Bob Rekdahl Jim Eckart NEEDED	Marcus Young	
Audio/Visual:	Laura Potter	John Hazen	
PowerPoint:	Wanda Cassetty	Rebecca Williamson	
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Greeters:	Margo Bachhuber	Riki Neagle	
	Elizabeth Alvarado	Carrie Graham	
Readers:	Randy Schroeder	Julie Williamson	
Altar Circle:	Virginia Jacobs and Margo Bachhuber		
Flowers:	Both Services	Lottie Guericke	
Counters:	Both Services	Dave and Jan Oswald	

ASSISTING IN SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY, NOV. 13, 2022

	8:30am	11:00am	
Elder:	Randy Bryant	Joh Hazen	
Acolytes:			
Ushers:	Stan Chapulis	Marcus Young	
	NEEDED	Randy Schroeder	
		Johnnie Driessner	
		NEEDED	
Audio/Visual:	Laura Potter	Michele Sprengle	
PowerPoint:	Taylor Osgood	Rebecca Williamson	
Greeters:	Carlyn Staudt	Julie Williamson	
Readers:	Randy Bryant	Julie Williamson	
Altar Circle:	Virginia Jacobs and M	largo Bachhuber	
Flowers:	Both Services	John and Wendy	
		Hazen	
Counters:	Both Services	Bob and Elaina Ritchie	

EVENTS THIS WEEK – Sunday, Nov. 6 – Sat., Nov. 12

Sunday, Nov. 6	8:30am	Worship w/ comm.		
All Saints Day	9:45am	Education Hour		
	11:00am	Worship		
	3:0pm	Esperanza Ureno		
	-	Memorial		
	6:00pm	Online Worship Posted		
Tuesday Nov. 8	6:00pm	Council Meeting		
Wednesday Nov. 9	2:00pm	Crafting Get-Together		
		Council Meeting		
Thursday, Nov. 10	6:00pm	Praise Team		
	7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal		
Friday, Nov. 11	6:30pm	Noche Familiar		
Saturday, Nov. 12	10:30am	The Chosen Bible Study		
EVENTS NEXT WEEK – Sunday, Nov. 13 – Sat., Nov. 19				

Sunday, Nov. 13	8:30am	Worship	
LWML SUNDAY	9:00am	Bake and Craft Sale	
	9:45am	Education Hour	
	11:00am	Worship w/ comm.	
	4:00pm	Latino Worship	
	6:00pm	Online Worship Posted	
Tuesday Nov. 15	6:00pm	3:10 Group	
Wednesday Nov. 16	11:00am	CareConnect	
	2:00pm	Crafting Get-Together	
	5:00pm	Praise Team	
	6:00pm	Choir Rehearsal	
	7:00pm	Thanksgiving Eve	
		Worship	
Thursday, Nov. 17, Thanksgiving		Offices Closed	
Friday, Nov. 18	6:30pm	Noche Familiar	
Saturday, Nov. 19	8:00am	Church Clean-up	
	10:00am	LWML Zone Rally	

† MILESTONES

BAPTISM BIRTHD	DAYS 11/8	Kaye Beaulieu	11/11	
BIRTHDAYS Darlene Knoke	11/7	Elliot Noonan	11/10	

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

Kevin and Merci McInaney Nov. 7, 1987

† PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

Gina Kreps, Judy Blubaum, Cindy Linnemann, Brian Laxton, Carlyn Staudt, Karla Deal, George and Carlee Metteer, Rev. Travis Leslie, Emily Kohnke (member of the Webber Family), Alondra (a friend of Gina Kreps), Rich Zahursky, MaryLou May, Mike Hatley, Lorraine Haggard, Andrew May, Esperanza Gutierrez, Kim Laxton, 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-inlaw 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).

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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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