



*I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.  
Psalm 139:14*

ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH  
“A Church for Families, a Family for Everyone”  
Sunday, February 15, 2026

## LIFE SUNDAY

**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 on the cup return table.*)

**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. (*Hay jugo de uva para quienes no toman alcohol. Las hostias sin gluten están en la mesa de devolución de copas.*)

## **+ PREPARATION +**

### **THEME: “FEARFULLY AND WONDERFULLY MADE”**

**AS WE GATHER:** Our Life Sunday 2026 theme is based on Psalm 139:13-14: “For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother’s womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well.”

This Word of God reveals the care and intention that God takes in the creation of each and every human being. It teaches us that from the very first moments of our conception, God’s hands are upon us, carefully and lovingly crafting each one of us through our fathers and mothers. And while each person is created by God with their own unique characteristics and personalities, the care that God takes in creating each person shows us that every person, from the moment of fertilization on, is precious to God regardless of their age, size, condition, or ability.

### **PRELUDE**

### **WELCOME**

#### **“You Called Me By Name”**

When I consider the work of Your fingers,  
The sun and the stars, the land and the sea;  
I start to wonder, almighty Creator,  
Just why You would ever take thought of me. **(Chorus)**

#### **Chorus:**

**For You have called me by name,  
You are acquainted with all of my ways;  
Bought by Your blood, drawn by Your love,  
I am Your dwelling place.  
For You have called me Your friend,  
Showing me favor, again and again;  
I’m set apart, dear to Your heart,  
You called me by name.**

All of creation was made for Your pleasure,  
The sun and the stars, The land and the sea;  
But, by Your grace, You have given me favor,  
With You I will reign for eternity. **(Chorus x2)**

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## INVOCATION

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

## CONFESSiON AND ABSOLUTION

Psalm 139

- P** O Lord, You have searched me and known me!
- C** **You know when I sit down and when I rise up; You discern my thoughts from afar.**
- P** You search out my path and my lying down
- C** **and are acquainted with all my ways.**
- P** O Lord, our Heavenly Father, You pursue us in jealousy to the ends of the heavens and earth. We cannot flee from Your judgment nor hide from the punishments we deserve. But Your Son, our Savior Christ Jesus, has traded our guilt in exchange for His glory. His death and resurrection have brought us the light of life everlasting. Drive our evils away from us with repentance, forgiveness, and faith, that we may behold Your goodness now and evermore.
- C** Amen.
- P** For You formed my inward parts;
- C** **You knitted me together in my mother's womb.**
- P** I praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
- C** **Wonderful are Your works; my soul knows it very well.**
- P** My frame was not hidden from You,
- C** **when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth.**

- P** Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in Your book were written, every one of them,
- C** **the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them.**
- P** How precious to me are Your thoughts, O God!
- C** **How vast is the sum of them!**
- P** Dear children, do not fear! Christ Jesus has come among us, sharing our humanity in both the womb and the world. Take heart, for the Almighty Maker has created, redeemed, and called you His own. Upon your confession, in the stead and by the command of our 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.**

## **SALUTATION**

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

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

- P** Let us pray.
- Lord God, our Father and Savior, open our hearts to receive and delight in Your wonders. Open our lips to rejoice and proclaim all Your works. Strengthen us in flesh and spirit to refuse wickedness and replace the lust for control with Your own truth and love. Give us courage to rescue the vulnerable and compassion to relieve the victim that together we may share Your life.
- 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**

Job 10:9-13 (ESV)

<sup>9</sup>Remember that You have made me like clay;  
    and will You return me to the dust?  
<sup>10</sup>Did You not pour me out like milk  
    and curdle me like cheese?  
<sup>11</sup>You clothed me with skin and flesh,  
    and knit me together with bones and sinews.  
<sup>12</sup>You have granted me life and steadfast love,  
    and Your care has preserved my spirit.  
<sup>13</sup>Yet these things You hid in Your heart;  
    I know that this was Your purpose.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE**

Hebrews 2:5-18 (ESV)

<sup>5</sup>Now it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. <sup>6</sup>It has been testified somewhere,

“What is man, that You are mindful of him,  
    or the son of man, that You care for him?  
<sup>7</sup>You made him for a little while lower than the angels;  
    you have crowned him with glory and honor,  
    <sup>8</sup>putting everything in subjection under his feet.”

Now in putting everything in subjection to him, He left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. <sup>9</sup>But we see Him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God He might taste death for everyone. <sup>10</sup>For it was fitting that He, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering. <sup>11</sup>For He who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one origin. That is why He is not ashamed to call them brothers, <sup>12</sup>saying, “I will tell of Your name to My brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will sing Your praise.” <sup>13</sup>And again, “I will put My trust in Him.” And again, “Behold, I and the children God has given Me.”

<sup>14</sup>Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death He might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, <sup>15</sup>and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. <sup>16</sup>For surely it is not angels that He helps, but He helps the offspring of Abraham. <sup>17</sup>Therefore He had to be made like His brothers in every respect, so that He might become a merciful and faithful High Priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. <sup>18</sup>For because He Himself has suffered when tempted, He is able to help those who are being tempted.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## LAMBS' LESSON

Pr. Jim Sprengle

## HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 10:24-33 (ESV)

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the tenth chapter.

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

<sup>24</sup>A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master.

<sup>25</sup>It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household. <sup>26</sup>So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. <sup>27</sup>What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops.

<sup>28</sup>And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear Him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup>Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. <sup>30</sup>But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. <sup>31</sup>Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. <sup>32</sup>So everyone who acknowledges Me before men, I also will acknowledge before My Father who is in heaven, <sup>33</sup>but whoever denies Me before men, I also will deny before My Father who is in heaven.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

## PRAYER AND LOVE IN ACTION REQUESTS GATHERED

### “Lord Of Life”

(Tune: “Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us”)

Lord of life, Whose hand has made us,  
Formed us each with tender care.  
You had crowned man with Your image,  
Not intending such despair.  
Yet through sin the glory faded,  
Death and doom came in its place,  
But in spite of our condition,  
We've been rescued by Your grace!

God so loved the world,  
He gave us Jesus Christ to bear our sin.  
On the cross His life He offered,  
That we might be His again.  
And the Holy Spirit calls us  
By the gospel's joyful ring.  
Making us His own dear children,  
Us eternal life to bring.

Lord of Life, Who rose in triumph,  
Conq'ring death and giving hope,  
You have called us and equipped us,  
In a sinful world to cope;  
Teaching us to love each other,  
To befriend and help in strife;  
To forgive and seek to comfort,  
And preserve the gift of life.

Help us, Lord, to see as You do.  
Life is precious in each stage.  
From the unborn to the feeble,  
Life is precious in each age.  
Help us, Lord, to be Your witness  
And to show the world we care.  
So that people may not perish,  
But, instead, Your life may share!

“Lord Of Life”, Tune: Hyfrydol/Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us. For Life! Pro-Life Songs for Classrooms, Choirs & Congregations, p.19. Text: Rev. Gerald Schepere, 1985.

**APOSTLES’ CREED (First Article)**

- P** On this Life Sunday, let us confess our faith in the one true God, the author of life, who created us and loves us. We use the first article of the Apostles’ Creed and Martin Luther’s 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.)*

**(8:30) “God Knew Your Name”**

Words and music by James Likens  
Ascension Choir

**BLESSING OF AVA HEALTH DONATIONS**

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

O Almighty Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, You have fearfully and wonderfully made us, created, redeemed, and called every member of our race from fertilization to forever, no matter what age, appearance, or ability. Lend us Your Holy Spirit that our lips may sound it forth with courage and our lives may show it forth in compassion. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** You have searched us and see every grievous way in us. Forgive us for any hesitance in assisting our neighbors endangered by sinful measures such as abortion and assisted suicide. Grant the vulnerable ones protection and rescue, grant our land reprieve from these evils, and grant repentance to all who permit or promote them. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** Your all-encompassing presence and power hems us in behind and before. Work wisdom, commitment, and integrity in our officials and elected representatives that they may exercise Your authority to restrain vice and reward virtue. Secure for us a safe, free, and fair nation wherein we implement the sanctity of every human life. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** Dear Father in heaven, even the darkness is as light to You. Let Your relief and healing rest upon those among our number with injuries, illnesses, and any other ailments of body or soul... Draw near in consolation to those experiencing surprise pregnancy, terminal diagnosis, infertility, abuse, or abandonment, that they may find hope and joy in Your kingdom. For Jesus' sake, take away the guilt and shame of hearts broken by the abortion of their own children. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** In Your book are written, Lord God, every one of our days. Receive our thankfulness for the baptisms, birthdays and anniversaries celebrated among us this week...Graciously strengthen us by these blessings to appreciate each neighbor as a gift and privilege. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Lead us, O Lord and Savior, in the way everlasting. Unite us in Your Son as brothers and sisters sharing faith and fellowship unto abundant and eternal life, through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## LORD'S PRAYER

**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 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  
    on the cup return table.)

## 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

### THE PEACE OF THE LORD

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

### + DISTRIBUTION HYMNS +

#### **“At The Dawning Of Creation”**

(tune: Beach Spring)

1 At the dawning of creation,  
God divided light from shade,  
And He made us, male and female.  
In His image we were made.

#### **Refrain**

**And the life that God created  
We will honor and defend  
From conception to the heavens;  
From beginning to the end.**

- 2 God the Father called a people,  
And He drew them by the hand  
And He led them through the desert  
And into the Promised Land. **(refrain)**
- 3 In His saving Incarnation,  
Jesus bore a human frame  
To restore the sacred Image  
Hidden by our sin and shame. **(refrain)**
- 4 And He walked among the people,  
Healed the sick and raised the dead,  
And the poor rejoiced at hearing  
The appealing words He said. **(refrain)**

- 5 On the Cross, our gracious Savior  
Jesus laid His body down,  
Dying as the Man of Sorrows;  
Giving humankind a crown. **(refrain)**
  
- 6 And He sent the Holy Spirit  
For forgiveness of our sins.  
Even now God dwells among us;  
Even now, new life begins. **(refrain)**
  
- 7 When we share the Holy Myst'ries  
In the Eucharistic food  
We are filled with life eternal:  
Jesus' Body and His Blood. **(refrain)**
  
- 8 When He comes again in glory,  
All the dead shall rise again,  
And our human eyes shall see  
Him in the splendor of His reign. **(refrain)**

"At The Dawning Of Creation", Words by Kathleen Pluth. Copyright 2008 by Kathleen Pluth.

### **"Gracious Savior, Gentle Shepherd"**

(tune: Regent Square)

- 1 Gracious Savior, gentle Shepherd,  
Children all are dear to you;  
May your loving arms enfold them  
In your care their whole life through.  
By your tending and protecting  
Keep them safe in all they do.
  
- 2 Tender Shepherd, never leave them,  
Never let them go astray;  
By your warning love directed,  
May they walk the narrow way.  
Thus direct them, thus defend them  
Lest they fall an easy prey.
  
- 3 By your holy Word instruct them,  
Fill their minds with heav'nly light;  
By your pow'rful grace convince them  
Always to approve what's right.  
Let them feel your yoke is easy,  
Let them find your burden light.

4 Taught to love the holy praises  
Which on earth your children sing,  
With their lips and hearts, sincerely,  
Glad thank-off'rings may they bring,  
Then with all the saints in glory  
Join to praise their Lord and King.

"Gracious Savior, Gentle Shepherd", Text: attr. Jane Eliza Leeson, 1807–82, Text: Public domain

## POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

**P** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; 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

**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  $\text{☩}$  give you peace.

**C** Amen.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

**"Life Is A Gift From God"**  
(*tune: Crown Him With Many Crowns*)

Life is a gift from God, Who order'd all my days,  
And wrote them in His Book of Life So I could give Him praise.  
He guards and still preserves That life He gave to me,  
And loves me with a Father's love and will eternally!

Life is a Holy Gift Which God alone can give.  
He sets before us death and life; Choose life that you might live!  
For God has sent His Son Who could have come a king,  
But chose a mother's womb instead Eternal life to bring.

Life is a Gift of God, So Jesus did partake,  
And took upon our human form - His heirs He did us make!  
When we were being knit He knew who we would be,  
And mark'd us as His very own - His death has set us free!

"Life Is A Gift From God", Tune: Diademata/Crown Him With Many Crowns. *For Life! Pro-Life Songs for Classrooms, Choirs & Congregations*, p.11. Text John G. Fleischmann, 1987

## **DISMISSAL**

**P** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God!**

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*We are grateful for the lovely Altar flowers  
provided by Klara Schmidt given to the glory of God.*

## † WIDOWERS ESSAY OFFERING

Herb Hoefer has written an essay reflecting on his first year of grieving after his wife Carol's call Home by our Lord. He is inviting other widowers in the congregation to receive a copy and gather to discuss it. They can contact him: [herbhoefer@gmail.com](mailto:herbhoefer@gmail.com) or 503-780-8033 for a copy.

## † LIFE SUNDAY AND AVA HEALTH DONATIONS

TODAY is Life Sunday, a special opportunity for our congregation to celebrate, honor, and support the precious gift of life. You can still give your monetary donation placed in the offering plate marked "AVA HEALTH" in the *for* line. Let's support the choice of *LIFE!*

## † ASH WEDNESDAY

Join us for the Ash Wednesday Services on Wednesday Feb. 18 at 3:30 or 7:00pm. This is the beginning of our Lenten Season.

## † YOUTH AND FAMILY NIGHT

Friday, Feb. 27 at 6:30pm. They will be joining for fellowship and fun. Do not miss out.

## † IRON MEN DEVOTION

The next Devotion will be Saturday, Feb. 28 at 8:00am. Join other men in the congregation to gather for fellowship and to grow around God's word.

## † PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

The Family of Cal Stabenow, The family of Barbara Schrader, The family of Jerry Bangs, The family of Mike Fogarty, Regan, Diane and Ed and Ingrid (friends and neighbors of Cynthia Jacobsen), Barbara Lewis, Carolyn Staudt, Marla Graber, Joann Schulz, Chenery Whittier's son (Aaryan), Heather Gulde, Riki Neagle, Jim Eckart, Gina Kreps, Mae Smith, \*Larry Hart, \*Mel and Lorraine Haggard. \*Home Bound.

## † PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY

Brett Monson – Navy, San Diego CA (Grandson of Joann Schulz)  
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 the Zeller's)  
Kyle Zeller, Army – Deployed to Poland (grandson of the Zeller's)

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## **MILESTONES – Sunday, Feb. 15 through Sat., Feb. 21**

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**BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS:** None

**BIRTHDAYS:**

Jim Conway	Feb. 17	Alex Ritchie	Feb. 17
Tracy Schaffer	Feb. 18	Marcia Bryant	Feb. 19

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:**

Herb and Carol Reiniger	Feb. 17, 1990
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## **ASSISTING IN SERVICE TODAY, SUN., FEB. 15, 2026**

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	8:30am	11:00am
<b>Elder:</b>	Dave Oswald	John Hazen
<b>Ushers:</b>	Duke Sheppard	Bob Freeman
	Bryant Sheppard	James Freeman
<b>Audio/Visual:</b>	Stan Chapulis	J. E. Knox
<b>PowerPoint:</b>	Debbie Rekdahl	Rosemary Knox
<b>Greeters:</b>	Sheryl Maier	Margaret Hubbard
		Esperanza Gutierrez
<b>Readers:</b>	Sheryl Maier	Caleb Zeebuyth
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	Both Services: Debbie Rekdahl	
<b>Flowers:</b>	Both Services: Klara Schmidt	
<b>Counters:</b>	Both Services: Dave and Jan Oswald	
<b>Sunday School:</b>	Carrie and Michele – Unit 2, Lesson 10	

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## **ASSISTING ASH WEDNESDAY, FEB. 18, 2026**

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	3:30pm	7:00pm
<b>Elder:</b>	Randy Schroeder	John Hazen
<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>NEEDED</b>	<b>NEEDED</b>
<b>Audio/Visual:</b>	Stan Chapulis	Caleb Zeebuyth
<b>PowerPoint:</b>	Debbie Rekdahl	<b>NEEDED</b>
<b>Greeters:</b>	<b>NEEDED</b>	<b>NEEDED</b>
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	Wendy Hazen	
<b>Counters:</b>	Bob and Elaina Ritchie	

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## ASSISTING NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2026

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	8:30am	11:00am
<b>Elder:</b>	Randy Bryant	Wyatt Brown
<b>Ushers:</b>	Mike Adams	Matthias McInaney
	Rich Bartell	Paul Walter
<b>Audio/Visual:</b>	Stan Chapulis	John Hazen
<b>PowerPoint:</b>	Debbie Rekdahl	Alex Hodges
<b>Greeters:</b>	Nancy Thomas	Sue Lewis
<b>Readers:</b>	Rich Bartell	Jim Eckart
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	Both Services: Margo Bachhuber	
<b>Flowers:</b>	Both Services: Gertrud Bublies	
<b>Counters:</b>	Both Services: Bob and Elaina Ritchie	
<b>Sunday School:</b>	Hana and Gina – Unit 2, Lesson 11	

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## Attendance

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Sunday, Feb. 8	8:30am	46
	11:00am	71
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>117</b>

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## GENERAL FUND OFFERINGS

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January General Fund Tithes	\$ 34,088.50
January Expenses	\$ 32,616.80
<b>Difference</b>	<b>+ \$ 1,471.70</b>

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## DEDICATED OFFERINGS

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January Dedicated Offerings	\$ 1,916.83
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## EVENTS THIS WEEK – SUN., FEB. 15–SAT., FEB. 21, 2026

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<b>Sunday, Feb. 15</b>	8:30am	Worship w/ Communion
<b>LIFE SUNDAY</b>	9:45am	Adult Ed and Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship
	12:15pm	Bell Practice
	5:00pm	Spanish Worship
<b>Monday, Feb. 16</b>	6:00pm	Young Adult Bible Study at Beautiful Savior
<b>Tuesday, Feb. 17</b>	2:30pm	Confirmation
<b>Wednesday, Feb. 18</b>	3:30pm	Ash Wednesday Worship
	7:00pm	Ash Wednesday Worship
<b>Thursday, Feb. 19</b>	6:00pm	Praise Team
	7:00pm	Choir Practice

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## **EVENTS NEXT WEEK – SUN., FEB. 22–SAT., FEB. 28, 2026**

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<b>Sunday, Feb. 22</b>	8:30am	Worship
<b>Lent 1</b>	9:45am	Adult Ed and Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship w/ Communion
	12:15pm	Bell Practice
	5:00pm	Spanish Worship
<b>Monday, Feb. 23</b>	6:00pm	Young Adult Bible Study at Beautiful Savior
<b>Tuesday, Feb. 24</b>	2:30pm	Confirmation
<b>Wednesday, Feb. 25</b>	3:30pm	Lent 1 Midweek Worship
	7:00pm	Lent 1 Midweek Worship
<b>Thursday, Feb. 26</b>	6:00pm	Praise Team
	7:00pm	Choir Practice
<b>Friday, Feb. 27</b>	6:30pm	Youth and Family Night



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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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