

And Jesus said to him,
"If you can! All things are
possible for one who believes."

Mark 9:23



ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH
"A Church for Families, a Family for Everyone"
Sunday, September 15, 2024

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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: "OUR ABLE SAVIOR"

As We Gather: The Twelve were in trouble in today's Gospel; they couldn't exorcize the evil spirit in a man's son. The boy's father was helpless too. Jesus had no problem with the task, and He exhorted the disciples to turn to Him, saying, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer." Our tongues are not employed for prayer that often. The Epistle notes, however, that like the rudder of a ship, they are powerful. Only Isaiah, prefiguring our Lord's attitude, has the right outlook. Relying on our heavenly Father, he is ready for a fight. Our Lord can take care of our problems; we must rely on His strength and caring. "Be strong, and let your heart take courage."

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Psalm 150 (Praise The Lord)

You made the starry hosts,
You traced the mountain peaks,
You paint the evening skies with wonders.
The earth, it is Your throne
From desert to the sea.
All nature testifies Your splendor.

Chorus

**Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord,
Sing His greatness, All creation.
Praise the Lord, Raise your voice,
You heights and all you depths,
From furthest east to west,
Let everything that has breath
Praise the Lord.**

You reached into the dust,
In love Your Spirit breathed.
You formed us in Your very likeness
To know Your wondrous works,
To tell Your mighty deeds,
To join the everlasting chorus. **(chorus)**

Let symphonies resound,
Let drums and choirs ring out,
All heaven hear the sound of worship.
Let every nation bring
Its honors to the King,
A roar of harmonies eternal. **(final chorus)**

Final Chorus

**Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord,
Sing His greatness, All creation.
Praise the Lord, Raise your voice,
You heights and all you depths,
From furthest east to west,
You distant burning stars,
All creatures near and far,
From sky to sea to shore,
Sing out forevermore,
Let everything that has breath
Praise the Lord.**

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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

- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C** **who made heaven and earth.**

- P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- C** **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

- P** Since we are gathered to have our faith strengthened by hearing God's Word and by receiving our Lord's body and blood in the fellowship of this altar, but cannot come before God in our sinful condition, let us seek His infinite mercy and ask our heavenly Father's forgiveness.

C Almighty God, have mercy on us, forgive the weakness of our faith and our many sins, and restore us to fellowship with You and one another, now and forever.

P In Holy Baptism our heavenly Father declared us to be His children and united us to His Son, by whose death and resurrection all our sins are forgiven. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Thank You, Lord

Thank You, Lord, for saving my soul.

Thank You, Lord, for making me whole.

Thank You, Lord, for giving to me

Thy great salvation so rich and free!

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SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, as You go with us through each day, help us by Your strength to serve You in meeting people's needs and in spreading the Good News of the Gospel; 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

Isaiah 50:4-10 (ESV)

- ⁴ The Lord GOD has given Me
the tongue of those who are taught,
that I may know how to sustain with a word
him who is weary.
Morning by morning He awakens;
He awakens My ear
to hear as those who are taught.
- ⁵ The Lord GOD has opened My ear,
and I was not rebellious;
I turned not backward.
- ⁶ I gave My back to those who strike,
and My cheeks to those who pull out the beard;
I hid not My face
from disgrace and spitting.
- ⁷ But the Lord GOD helps Me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set My face like a flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame.
- ⁸ He who vindicates Me is near.
Who will contend with Me?
Let us stand up together.
Who is My adversary?
Let him come near to Me.
- ⁹ Behold, the Lord GOD helps Me;
who will declare Me guilty?
Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment;
the moth will eat them up.
- ¹⁰ Who among you fears the LORD
and obeys the voice of His Servant?
Let him who walks in darkness
and has no light
trust in the name of the LORD
and rely on his God.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING

James 3:1-12 (ESV)

¹Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For we all stumble in many ways, and if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body. ³If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. ⁴Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things. How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. ⁷For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, ⁸but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. ¹¹Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? ¹²Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

LAMBS' LESSON

Pr. Jim Sprengle

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 9:14-29 (ESV)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

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

¹⁴When they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. ¹⁵And immediately all the crowd, when they saw Him, were greatly amazed and ran up to [Jesus] and greeted Him. ¹⁶And He asked them, "What are you arguing about with them?" ¹⁷And someone from the crowd answered Him, "Teacher, I brought my son to You, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. ¹⁸And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked Your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able."

¹⁹And He answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to Me."
²⁰And they brought the boy to Him. And when the spirit saw Him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. ²¹And Jesus asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. ²²And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if You can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." ²³And Jesus said to him, "If you can! All things are possible for one who believes." ²⁴Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" ²⁵And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, He rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again." ²⁶And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, "He is dead." ²⁷But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. ²⁸And when He had entered the house, His disciples asked Him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" ²⁹And He said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

PRAYER AND LOVE IN ACTION REQUESTS GATHERED

Lead Me, Guide Me

LSB 721

Refrain Lead me, guide me, along the way;
 For if You lead me, I cannot stray.
 Lord, let me walk each day with Thee.
 Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

- 1 I am weak and I need Thy strength and pow'r
 To help me over my weakest hour.
 Help me through the darkness Thy face to see.
 Lead me, O Lord, lead me. **(refrain)**

- 2 Help me tread in the paths of righteousness,
 Be my aid when Satan and sin oppress.
 I am putting all my trust in Thee.
 Lead me, O Lord, lead me. **(refrain)**

3 I am lost if You take Your hand from me,
I am blind without Thy light to see.
Lord, always let me Thy servant be.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me. **(refrain)**

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SERMON
“WHAT CAN WE DO?”

Pr. Jim Sprengle
Mark 9:14-29

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) On Eagles' Wings

based on Psalm 91

Michael Joncas, arr. Douglas Wagner

Ascension Choir

*And He will raise you up on eagles' wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of His hand.*

*You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
Who abide in His shadow for life,
Say to the Lord: "My refuge, my Rock in whom I trust!"*

*The snare of the fowler will never capture you,
And famine will bring you no fear:
Under His wings your refuge,
His faithfulness your shield.*

*You need not fear the terror of the night,
Nor the arrow that flies by day;
Though thousands fall about you,
Near you it shall not come.*

*For to His angels He's given a command
To guard you in all of your ways;
Upon their hands they will bear you up,
Lest you dash your foot against a stone.*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Psalm 116:1–2, 5, 7–9

P Let us pray for ourselves, the church around the world, and all people in their various conditions. Today's Psalm is the response of a trusting person, confident that God has heard the prayer.

Be present, Lord our God, wherever wars rage and governments fail, where homelessness and disease are rampant, and where the poor are forgotten.

C **I love the LORD, because He has heard my voice and my pleas for mercy.**

P Guard, defend, and give wisdom to all who go into harm's way to do battle against foreign enemies and in emergencies here at home. Use medical personnel and caring neighbors to bring about health and healing.

C **Because He inclined His ear to me, therefore I will call on Him as long as I live.**

- P** Provide faith-filled leaders and followers to proclaim the Gospel, serve You with the gifts You have given them, and care for the needs of people around the world.
- C** **Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; our God is merciful.**
- P** Be with all who tend flocks, raise harvests, and distribute food so that many may be fed.
- C** **Return, O my soul, to your rest; for the LORD has dealt bountifully with you.**
- P** Visit, relieve, and console those who are sick or in mourning...Be merciful and grant healing according to Your gracious plans for them.
- C** **For You have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.**
- P** Hear our prayers of thanksgiving and praise for celebrations this week...
- C** **O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!**
- P** These and any other things You see that we need, grant to us for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C** **I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living. 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 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.

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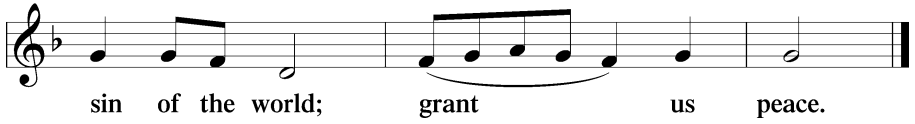
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

+ DISTRIBUTION HYMNS +

Agnus Dei (Lamb Of God)





Jesus Comes Today with Healing

LSB 620

- 1 Jesus comes today with healing,
Knocking at my door, appealing,
 Off'ring pardon, grace, and peace.
He Himself makes preparation,
And I hear His invitation:
 "Come and taste the blessed feast."
- 2 Christ Himself, the priest presiding,
Yet in bread and wine abiding
 In this holy sacrament,
Gives the bread of life, once broken,
And the cup, the precious token
 Of His sacred covenant.
- 3 Under bread and wine, though lowly,
I receive the Savior holy,
 Blood and body, giv'n for me,
Very Lamb of God from heaven,
Who to bitter death was given,
 Hung upon the cursèd tree.
- 4 God descends with heav'nly power,
Gives Himself to me this hour
 In this ordinary sign.
On my tongue His pledge receiving,
I accept His grace, believing
 That I taste His love divine.
- 5 Let me praise God's boundless favor,
Whose own feast of love I savor,
 Bidden by His gracious call.
Wedding garments He provides me,
With a robe of white He hides me,
 Fits me for the royal hall.

6 Now have I found consolation,
Comfort in my tribulation,
Balm to heal the troubled soul.
God, my shield from ev'ry terror,
Cleanses me from sin and error,
Makes my wounded spirit whole.

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God Will Take Care Of You

Be not dismayed whate'er betide, God will take care of you.
Beneath His wings of love abide, God will take care of you.

(Chorus)

**God will take care of you, thro' every day, o'er all the way,
He will take care of you, God will take care of you.**

Thro' days of toil when heart doth fail, God will take care of you.
When dangers fierce your path assail, God will take care of you.

All you may need He will provide, God will take care of you.
Nothing you ask will be denied. God will take care of you.

No matter what may be the test, God will take care of you.
Lean weary one upon His breast, God will take care of you.

POST COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P Let us pray.

We give You thanks, heavenly Father, for this gift of life and the strengthening of our faith. Help us each day to rely on all that Your Son has done for us and promised for our future; through the same 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 ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Shout To The Lord

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord there is none like You,
All of my days, I want to praise, the wonders of Your mighty love.
My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength.
Let every breath, all that I am, never cease to worship You.

Shout to the Lord all the earth let us sing,
Power and majesty, praise to the King.
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar,
At the sound of Your name.
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands.
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You.

(repeat from beginning)

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DISMISSAL

P Go in peace as you serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

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† VOTERS' ASSEMBLY

There is a Voters' Assembly on September 22 after the 11:00am Service. All are encouraged to attend.

† JOIN US IN THE CHURCH CLEANUP!

We have planned another workday, September 21 from 8:30am to 11:00am.

† THE LUTHERAN CHORAL ASSOCIATION

There is a performance this afternoon, Sunday, Sept. 15, at Oak Grove United Methodist Church (14700 SE Rupert Dr.) The concert is at 4:00pm and an offering will be received. Sue Thompson Armentrout directs the choir, with Karl Jurisons on the piano.

Performances continue through Oct. 6 with a Christmas/Epiphany concert on January 5, 2025.

† YOUTH AND FAMILY NIGHT – JOIN US!

What: Food, fun and fellowship!

Where: Ascension Community Room

When: Friday, Sept. 20 at 6:30pm

Why: Our goal is to bring together all our youth and family members!

† MY FATHER'S HOUSE NEEDS

Human Care is collecting items for our adopt-a-room at My Father's House. Check out the list that is attached to the white board in the Narthex. If you will fill a need, write your name (or anonymous if you want) in the space. Then you can bring your donation and leave it in the conference room marked "My Father's House".

† LWML MISSIONS

Want to take part in a gift of love to those all around the world? You can give to "Quilts Around the World". Donate any size fabric to this mission, all kinds are accepted, sheets too! You can leave donations in the conference room.

† ALL SAINTS' DAY WORSHIP SERVICE

Join in a festival of hymns to celebrate the church's heritage of hymns, and spiritual songs. Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Friday, Nov. 1, 2024 at 7:00pm.

† PRAYER NEEDS?

Please e-mail: office@alcpportland.org or call (leave a message if no one is here) 503-665-8821

† PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

Carolyn Gordon, The family of Mike Cochran (Barb’s Son), Mike Fogarty, The Family of Carolyn Barendse, Karla Deal, The family of Bob Rekdahl, Jan Galberth, Jim Eckart, Gina Kreps, Herb and Carol Hoefler, Mae Smith, Gertrud Bublies, Alma Bangs, Marcia Bryant’s relative (Ron), Kaye Beaulieu’s Brother (Dick), Virginia Jacob’s brother (Robert), Mel Haggard, The Family of Mike Hatley, Esperanza Gutierrez’ mother (Antonia), *Barbara Schrader, *Larry Hart, *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)

† MILESTONES – LAST WEEK, SEPT. 8 – SEPT. 14

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS:

Barbara Conway	Sept. 9	Jim Eckart	Sept. 10
Jonathan Mundo	Sept. 14		

BIRTHDAYS:

Kaye Beaulieu	Sept. 9	Dustin Schaffer	Sept. 9
Bill Guthrie	Sept. 11	Peggy Hall	Sept. 11
Kysa Schaefer	Sept. 11	Jonathan Mundo	Sept. 12
Rob Haase	Sept. 14	Karen Zahursky	Sept. 14

WEDDINGS: None

† MILESTONES – THIS WEEK, SEPT. 15 – SEPT. 21

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS:

Carlyn Staudt	Sept. 19	Avi Ritchie	Sept. 20
Rob Haase	Sept. 21		

BIRTHDAYS:

Josie Latter	Sept. 16	Whitney Latter	Sept. 16
Stan Chapulis	Sept. 18	Paul Walter	Sept. 18
Val Schiely	Sept. 19	Heather Gulde	Sept. 21

WEDDINGS:

Tyler and Keilah Woods Sept. 17, 2015

EVENTS THIS WEEK – SUN., SEPT. 15 – SAT., SEPT 21

Sunday, Sept. 15	8:30am	Worship with Communion
	9:45am	Adult Ed and Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship
	12:15pm	Bell Practice
	5:00pm	Spanish Worship
Monday, Sept. 16	1:00pm	Altar Guild Meeting
Tuesday, Sept. 17	6:00pm	3:10 Group
Wednesday, Sept. 18	2:00pm	Crafting Get-Together
	6:00pm	C-101-1
Thursday, Sept. 19	6:00pm	Praise Team
	7:00pm	Choir Practice
Friday, Sept. 20	6:30pm	Youth and Family Night
Saturday, Sept. 21	8:30am	Church Work Party

EVENTS NEXT WEEK – SUN., SEPT. 22 – SAT., SEPT 28

Sunday, Sept. 22	8:30am	Worship
	9:45am	Adult Ed and Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship with Communion
	12:15pm	Voter's Assembly
	5:00pm	Spanish Worship w/ Communion
Tuesday, Sept. 24		NEWSLETTER ITEMS DUE
Wednesday, Sept. 25	2:00pm	Crafting Get-Together
	6:00pm	C-101-2
Thursday, Sept. 26	6:00pm	Praise Team
	7:00pm	Choir Practice
Friday, Sept. 27	6:30pm	Youth and Family Night
Saturday, Sept. 28	10:30am	The Chosen 4 Watch Party

ASSISTING IN SERVICE TODAY, SUN., SEPT. 15, 2024

	8:30am	11:00am
Elder:	Dave Oswald	John Hazen
Acolytes:	NEEDED	NEEDED
Ushers:	John Aden Mike Adams NEEDED NEEDED	Paul Walter Marcus Young
Audio/Visual:	Stan Chapulis	J. E. Knox
PowerPoint:	Rebecca Williamson	Rosemary Knox
Greeters:	Norma Dillon Jean Dillon	Margaret Hubbard Esperanza Gutierrez
Readers:	Julie Williamson	John Hazen
Altar Guild:	Both Services: Jan Oswald	
Flowers:	Both Services: NEEDED	
Counters:	Both Services: Bob and Elaina Ritchie	
Sunday School	9:45am: Carrie and Michele-Episode 6	

ASSISTING IN SERVICE NEXT, SUN., SEPT. 22, 2024

	8:30am	11:00am
Elder:	Randy Schroeder	Herb Hoefler
Acolytes:	NEEDED	NEEDED
Ushers:	Jim Eckart NEEDED	Matthias McInaney Marcus Young Evan Kreps Eric Kreps
Audio/Visual:	Stan Chapulis	Laura Potter
PowerPoint:	Debbie Rekdahl	Rebecca Williamson
Greeters:	Nancy Thomas	Celia Kreps
Readers:	Jim Eckart	Peggy Hall
Altar Guild:	Both Services: Karen Zahursky	
Flowers:	Both Services: Klara Schmidt	
Counters:	Both Services: Bonnie Webber and Rebecca Williamson	
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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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