

For the SON OF MAN came to
save the lost.



Matthew 18:11

ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH

"A Church for Families, a Family for Everyone"

Sunday, September 6, 2026

FIFTEENTH 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 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 comulgar 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: “SEEKING THE LOST”

AS WE GATHER: Although the attention of many is distracted on this Labor Day weekend, the focus of the readings is clear. We have a Savior who has come to find the lost and restore them through forgiveness, and we have a purpose in speaking this Gospel to the whole world. This is not an easy calling. The lost often do not want to be found, and the wicked are content in their ways. We act not as self-appointed guardians of the truth but as instruments of God, through whom He speaks His Word of love to the lost and erring and by whom they are saved. The most difficult application is always to those who have fallen from the faith into error or sin. Our greatest temptation is to surrender them to their error or sin. Our greatest calling is to address them with the voice of God’s Word through whom the Spirit works to restore the lost. Today we pray that we will not be distracted from this goal and purpose.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

“Father Welcomes”

LSB 605

Refrain Father welcomes all His children
To His fam’ly through His Son.
Father giving His salvation,
Life forever has been won.

- 1 Little children, come to Me,
For My kingdom is of these.
Life and love I have to give,
Mercy for your sin. **(refrain)**
- 2 In the water, in the Word,
In His promise, be assured:
Those who are baptized and believe
Shall be born again. **(refrain)**

- 3 Let us daily die to sin;
Let us daily rise with Him,
Walk in the love of Christ our Lord,
Live in the peace of God. **(refrain)**

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INVOCATION

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

BAPTISM

Teresa Morgan

(11:00)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.
- P** He who began this good work within you will bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C** Amen.

“How Blest Is He Whose Trespass”

(tune: Munich)

- 1 How blest is he whose trespass
 Hath freely been forgiv'n,
 Whose sin is wholly covered
 Before the sight of heav'n,
 To whom the Lord in mercy
 Imputeth not his sin,
 Who hath a guileless spirit,
 Whose heart is true within.
- 2 While I kept guilty silence,
 My strength was spent with grief;
 Thy hand was heavy on me,
 My soul found no relief;
 But when I owned my trespass,
 My sin hid not from Thee,
 When I confessed transgression,
 Then Thou forgavest me.
- 3 So let the godly seek Thee
 In times when Thou art near;
 No whelming floods shall reach them,
 Nor cause their hearts to fear.
 In Thee, O Lord, I hide me;
 Thou savest me from ill,
 And songs of Thy salvation
 My heart with rapture thrill.

How Blest Is He Whose Trespass, Text: The Psalter, 1912, Text: Public domain

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

O almighty God, You sent forth Your Son to gather the lost and restore them to You by His blood shed once for all. Grant us the same love and mercy that we may seek out the sinner, recall them to You through repentance, and celebrate with joy their restoration to the Body of Christ, the church; through Him who died that we might live and who now 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

Ezekiel 33:7-9 (ESV)

⁷“So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from My mouth, you shall give them warning from Me. ⁸If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. ⁹But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Romans 13:1-7 (ESV)

¹Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. ²Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. ³For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority?

Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, ⁴for he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer. ⁵Therefore one must be in subjection, not only to avoid God's wrath but also for the sake of conscience. ⁶For the same reason you also pay taxes, for the authorities are ministers of God, attending to this very thing. ⁷Pay to all what is owed to them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

LAMBS' LESSON

Pr. Jim Sprengle

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 18:1-20 (ESV)

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" ²And calling to Him a child, He put him in the midst of them ³and said, "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. ⁴Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. ⁵"Whoever receives one such child in My name receives Me, ⁶but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone fastened around his neck and to be drowned in the depth of the sea. ⁷"Woe to the world for temptations to sin! For it is necessary that temptations come, but woe to the one by whom the temptation comes! ⁸And if your hand or your foot causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life crippled or lame than with two hands or two feet to be thrown into the eternal fire. ⁹And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into the hell of fire. ¹⁰"See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of My Father Who is in heaven. ¹¹For the Son of Man came to save the lost.

¹²What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? ¹³And if he finds it, truly, I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. ¹⁴So it is not the will of My Father Who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish. ¹⁵"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. ¹⁶But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in My name, there am I among them."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

PRAYER/LOVE IN ACTION REQUESTS GATHERED

"As Surely as I Live," God Said (tune: Lord, Keep Us Steadfast)

- 1 "As surely as I live," God said,
"I would not see the sinner dead.
I want him turned from error's ways,
Repentant, living endless days."
- 2 And so our Lord gave this command:
"Go forth and preach in ev'ry land;
Bestow on all My pard'ning grace
Who will repent and mend their ways."
- 3 "All those whose sins you thus remit
I truly pardon and acquit,
And those whose sins you will retain
Condemned and guilty shall remain."

- 6 When ministers lay on their hands,
Absolved by Christ the sinner stands;
He who by grace the Word believes
The purchase of His blood receives.
- 7 All praise to You, O Christ, shall be
For absolution full and free,
In which You show Your richest grace;
From false indulgence guard our race.

As Surely as I Live," God Said, Text: Nicolaus Herman, c. 1480–1561; tr. Matthias Loy, 1828–1915, alt., Text: Public domain

SERMON

"HE SEEKS, WE SEEK"

Pr. Jim Sprengle
Matthew 18:1-20

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

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

That the Lord would move us to seek out the lost, address them with the voice of God's Word, and restore them who receive this warning with penitence, that the hearts of all once forgiven be moved to forgive one another in Christ's name, let us pray to the Lord.

- C** Lord, have mercy.

- P** That the church burn with zeal for the lost and for those caught up in heresy, error, and immorality and learn to rejoice with the angels over every sinner who repents and is saved, let us pray to the Lord.

- C** Lord, have mercy.

- P** That the Lord of the church well supply His people with faithful pastors and church workers and that He impart His rich blessing upon those newly ordained and consecrated and those training up for church work vocations, let us pray to the Lord.

- C** Lord, have mercy.

- P** That the Lord raise up for us good and faithful leaders on every level of government, bless those who serve with gifts of wisdom and prudence, and protect and defend all who protect and defend us, let us pray to the Lord.

- C** Lord, have mercy.

- P** That the Lord would bless the homes where His people dwell, giving courage and strength to husbands and wives in the fulfillment of their promises and blessing all parents with wisdom and grace to attend to the children in their care, let us pray to the Lord.

- C** Lord, have mercy.

- P** That we learn gratitude for the manifold and rich gifts that God supplies every day and that we learn generosity to share with those in need, let us pray to the Lord.

- C** Lord, have mercy.

- P** That we use our skills and abilities in honest labor and that the work of our hands be blessed, let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** That the Lord continue to show mercy to those afflicted in body, mind, or soul; grant them comfort and aid; and sustain them in this mercy to everlasting life...let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** That the Lord receive our thanks for His good gifts celebrated this week...let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- 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

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

+ DISTRIBUTION HYMNS +

“Come Unto Jesus”

Come unto Jesus all you who are weary.
Come to the mercy seat, fervently kneel.
Here, bring your wounded hearts, broken and needy.
Come unto Jesus, mighty to heal.

Joy of the comfortless, Light for the straying,
Hope of the penitent, Peace in our strife.
Here speaks the Comforter, tenderly saying
My yoke is easy, my burden is light.

Chorus

**Come unto Jesus. Come unto Jesus.
Lay down your burdens, He is enough.
Come unto Jesus, rest in His love.**

Come, taste the Bread of Life, broken for sinners.
Drink from the cup of His promise made sure.
Feast at His table as sons and as daughters.
Grace overflowing is yours evermore. **(chorus)**

Come, now and follow Him, this life forsaking.
All that was gain, count as nothing but loss.
Trade all this world for His kingdom unfading.
Come unto Jesus, take up your cross.
Come unto Jesus, take up your cross.
Life everlasting He offers to us.

Final Chorus

**Come unto Jesus. Come unto Jesus.
Lay down your burdens, He is enough.
Come unto Jesus. Come unto Jesus.
Lay down your burdens, He is enough.
Come unto Jesus, rest in His love.**

**Come unto Jesus. Come unto Jesus.
Lay down your burdens, He is enough.
Come unto Jesus, rest in His love.
Come unto Jesus, rest in His love.**

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“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”

O soul, are you weary and troubled?
No light in the darkness you see?
There's light for a look at the Savior,
And life more abundant and free!

Refrain

**Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in His wonderful face,
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim,
In the light of His glory and grace.
Thro' death into life everlasting,**

He passed, and we follow Him there;
O'er us sin no more hath dominion
For more than conqu'rors we are! (**refrain**)

His Word shall not fail you, He promised;
Believe Him, and all will be well:
Then go to a world that is dying,
His perfect salvation to tell! (**refrain**)

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good,

C for His steadfast love endures forever!

P Grant us grace, O Lord, that what we have here received with our lips we may keep with pure hearts, and, through the gift granted to us in this Communion, be granted courage to proclaim this Gospel to the lost and erring, restoring them to the fellowship of the baptized to live with us a life worthy of our calling as the people of God; 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 ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

- 1 Come, Thou Fount of ev'ry blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
While the hope of endless glory
Fills my heart with joy and love,
Teach me ever to adore Thee;
May I still Thy goodness prove.
- 2 Here I raise my Ebenezer,
Hither by Thy help I've come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wand'ring from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed His precious blood.
- 3 Oh, to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be;
Let that grace now like a fetter
Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;
Prone to leave the God I love.
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it for Thy courts above.
- 4 Oh, that day when freed from sinning,
I shall see Thy lovely face;
Clothed then in the blood-washed linen,
How I'll sing Thy wondrous grace!
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry;
Take my ransom'd soul away;
Send Thine angels soon to carry
Me to realms of endless day.

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing, Text: Robert Robinson, 1735–90, alt., Text: Public domain

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

C Thanks be to God.

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*Thanks to Sheryl Maier for the lovely altar flowers
in honor of the Hart's wedding anniversary and
family birthdays given to the glory of God.*

† LADIES BIBLE STUDY

The choice for our next Ladies Bible Study beginning Tuesday, September 8 at 2:00pm in the Community Room will be “God’s Relentless Love” by Sharla Fritz. Each session will have a short video that accompanies it. This is going to be a great study! Get your book right away from Amazon or Concordia Publishing House. If you cannot get online, please call Michele and she will help you get your book.

† CHURCH WORK PARTY

You are invited to help beautify our church on September 12 from 9:00am to 12:00pm. We hope to work outside, weather permitting.

† IRON MEN DEVOTION

Iron Men will meet on Saturday Sept. 26 at 8:00am. Join with other men in your church family to grow in faith and fellowship.

MILESTONES – Sunday, Sept. 6 – Sat., Sept. 12

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS:

Barbara Conway	Sept. 9	Karen Rivera	Sept. 9
Jim Eckart	Sept. 10		

BIRTHDAYS:

Teresa Morgan	Sept. 7	Kaye Beaulieu	Sept. 9
Dustin Schaffer	Sept. 9	Peggy Hall	Sept. 11
Kysa Schaefer	Sept. 11	Jonathan Mundo	Sept. 12

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

Wayne and Debbie Noonan	Sept. 7, 1979
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† 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 – Fort Riley Kansas (grandson of the Zeller’s)

† PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

Jaimie Bailey, Heather Gulde, Carolyn Shore, Mark (a friend of the Bryant's), Jim Eckart, Donald (David Grisham's brother), Aaryan (Chenery Whittier's son), Diana (sister-in-law of Randy Bryant), Riki Neagle, Gina Kreps, *Larry Hart. *Home Bound.

Attendance

Adult Ed: Sunday, August 30

None

Worship: Sunday, August 30 10:30am 97

ASSISTING THIS, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

	8:30am	11:00am
Elder:	Randy Schroeder	John Hazen
Ushers:	John Aden-1 Mike Adams-2	Rich Bartell-1 NEEDED-2
Audio/Visual:	Stan Chapulis	Jae Evans
PowerPoint:	Laura Potter	Caleb Zeebuyth
Greeters:	Elizabeth Alvarado Margo Bachhuber	Riki Neagle
Readers:	Karon Keup	J. E. Knox
Altar Guild:	Both Services:	Wendy Hazen
Flowers:	Both Services:	Sheryl Maier
Counters:	Both Services:	Sandy Kirchner and Cindy Reinert
Sunday School:	Sunday School:	Audrey and Cynthia

ASSISTING IN SERVICE NEXT, SUNDAY, SEPT. 13

	8:30am	11:00am
Elder:	Randy Bryant	Herb Hoefer
Ushers:	Stan Chapulis-1 NEEDED-2	Rich Bartell-1 Matthias McInaney-2
Audio/Visual:	Teresa Osgood	Luke Hodges
PowerPoint:	Tom Osgood	Alex Hodges
Greeters:	Millie Edwards	Sue Lewis
Readers:	Joann Schulz	Peggy Hall
Altar Guild:	Both Services:	Margo Bachhuber
Flowers:	Both Services:	Margo Bachhuber
Counters:	Both Services:	Sheryl Maier and Karon Keup
Sunday School:	Sunday School:	Carrie and Carolyn

EVENTS THIS WEEK – SUN. SEPT. 6 – SAT., SEPT. 12

Sunday, Sept. 6	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. 7 <i>LABOR DAY</i>	All Day	Office Closed
	1:00pm	NO Stewardship Board Meeting
	6:00pm	Young Adult Bible Study at Christ the Vine
Tuesday, Sept. 8	2:00pm	Ladies Bible Study
	6:00pm	Council Meeting
Thursday, Sept. 10	6:00pm	Praise Team
	7:00pm	Choir Practice
Saturday, Sept. 12	9:00am	Church Work Party

EVENTS NEXT WEEK – SUN., SEPT. 13 – SAT., SEPT. 19

Sunday, Sept. 13	8:30am	Worship
	9:45am	Adult Ed and Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship with Communion
	12:15pm	Bell Practice
	5:00pm	Spanish Worship
Monday, Sept. 14	1:00pm	Altar Guild Meeting
	6:00pm	Young Adult Bible Study at Christ the Vine
Thursday, Sept. 17	6:00pm	Praise Team
	7:00pm	Choir Practice

GENERAL FUND OFFERINGS

July General Fund Tithes	\$ 31,603
July Expenses	<u>\$ 31,363</u>
Difference	+ \$ 240

DEDICATED OFFERINGS

July Dedicated Offerings	\$ 129
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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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