

*"So also you have sorrow now,
but I will see you again
and your hearts will rejoice,*



*and no one will take
your joy from you."*

John 16:22

ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH

"A Church for Families, a Family for Everyone"

Sunday, May 18, 2025

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Welcome to all who are attending our service today. We are glad you are with us! To all guests and visitors, we especially extend our hands of friendship. May God bless the worship time for each one of you. Please come again!

NURSERY AVAILABLE We have an unstaffed nursery for your convenience and privacy. The nursery has audio and video so you may hear and see the worship service while attending to your child.

Holy Communion is celebrated at the 8:30 service on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month, and at the 11:00 service on the 2nd and 4th Sundays.

For those wishing to commune at the Lords Table with us today:

The Lutheran practice of close Communion attempts to prevent a person from eating and drinking judgment on himself (1 Corinthians 11:23–30). Thus, attendance at the Lords Supper implies a four-level commitment to Christ. We believe that communicants must: (1) be baptized Christians; (2) accept the real presence of Christs body in the bread and His blood in the wine; (3) confess and repent of ones sins and trust that God offers complete forgiveness of those sins in this Sacrament; and (4) share oneness of faith, doctrine and practice among those who commune. Those wishing to commune with us today who have not done so previously, please see the pastor or an elder before the service begins. (*Grape juice is available for those who do not drink alcohol, and gluten-free wafers are available upon request.*)

Para aquellos que desean participar en la Santa Cena con nosotros hoy: La práctica luterana de la comunión intenta evitar que una persona coma y beba el juicio de Dios sobre sí mismo (1 Corintios 11:23–30). Por lo tanto, la asistencia a la Cena del Señor implica un compromiso de cuatro niveles con Cristo. Creemos que los comulgantes deben: (1) ser bautizados como cristianos; (2) aceptar la presencia real del cuerpo de Cristo en el pan y Su sangre en el vino; (3) confesar y arrepentirse de sus pecados y confiar en que Dios ofrece el perdón completo de esos pecados en este Sacramento; y (4) compartir la unidad de fe, doctrina y práctica entre los que comulgan. Aquellos que desean comulgar 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: "THE JOYFUL CREATION"

AS WE GATHER: The Fifth Sunday of Easter bears the traditional name of Cantate, from the Introit's "Oh sing to the Lord a new song." Not only people, but all creation, are urged to break out in song. Throughout our worship today we will do just that, for the resurrection news cannot be left to quiet contemplation. Though it was difficult for Peter to convince the others, when they realized Gentiles had received the Spirit, they rejoiced. The vision of heaven in Revelation has no more pain or sorrow; what can be left but joyful singing?

At the end of Jesus' talk to the disciples, He promises "I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you" (John 16:22). When we are filled with such joy, singing is inevitable. Much of today's worship has us singing a few (or all) of the stanzas of familiar hymns. Let us join the joyful multitude in heaven and earth!

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.

OPENING SCRIPTURES

Psalm 98:1–2, 4

- P** Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for He has done marvelous things!
C His right hand and His holy arm have worked salvation for Him.

- P** The LORD has made known His salvation;
- C** **He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the nations.**
- P** Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;
- C** **break forth into joyous song and sing praises!**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P** We have come together to praise and thank God for His overwhelming grace and mercy. Our brokenness is ever before us, and we know that we often sin in our thoughts, words and deeds. Let us therefore confess our sins and ask for mercy for the sake of Christ.
- C** **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**
- P** God has called you to life, He has given His Son to pay for your sins, and He has given you and all believers in Christ the faith to trust all His promises. 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.**

“Nothing But The Blood Of Jesus”

What can wash away my sin?
 Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
 What can make me whole again?
 Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

(Refrain)

**O precious is the flow
 that makes me white as snow;
 no other fount I know;
 nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

This is all my hope and peace:
 nothing but the blood of Jesus.
 This is all my righteousness:
 nothing but the blood of Jesus. **(refrain)**

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; 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 +

FIRST READING

Acts 11:1-18 (ESV)

¹Now the apostles and the brothers who were throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. ²So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcision party criticized him, saying, ³"You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them." ⁴But Peter began and explained it to them in order: ⁵"I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision, something like a great sheet descending, being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to me. ⁶Looking at it closely, I observed animals and beasts of prey and reptiles and birds of the air. ⁷And I heard a voice saying to me, 'Rise, Peter; kill and eat.' ⁸But I said, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing common or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' ⁹But the voice answered a second time from heaven, 'What God has made clean, do not call common.' ¹⁰This happened three times, and all was drawn up again into heaven. ¹¹And behold, at that very moment three men arrived at the house in which we were, sent to me from Caesarea.

¹²And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. ¹³And he told us how he had seen the angel stand in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon who is called Peter; ¹⁴he will declare to you a message by which you will be saved, you and all your household.' ¹⁵As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning. ¹⁶And I remembered the word of the Lord, how He said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' ¹⁷If then God gave the same gift to them as He gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God's way?" ¹⁸When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, "Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Revelation 21:1-7 (ESV)

¹Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be His people, and God Himself will be with them as their God. ⁴He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away." ⁵And He who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also He said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." ⁶And He said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. ⁷The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be My son."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

LAMBS' LESSON

Pr. Jim Sprengle

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.

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

¹²[Jesus said:] “I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth, for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak, and He will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify Me, for He will take what is Mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is Mine; therefore I said that He will take what is Mine and declare it to you. ¹⁶“A little while, and you will see Me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see Me.” ¹⁷So some of His disciples said to one another, “What is this that He says to us, ‘A little while, and you will not see Me, and again a little while, and you will see Me’; and, ‘because I am going to the Father’?” ¹⁸So they were saying, “What does He mean by ‘a little while’? We do not know what He is talking about.” ¹⁹Jesus knew that they wanted to ask Him, so He said to them, “Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, ‘A little while and you will not see Me, and again a little while and you will see Me’? ²⁰Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. ²¹When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. ²²So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

PRAYER/LOVE IN ACTION REQUESTS GATHERED

“In Thee Is Gladness”

LSB 818

1 In Thee is gladness
Amid all sadness,
Jesus, sunshine of my heart.
By Thee are given
The gifts of heaven,
Thou the true Redeemer art.
Our souls Thou wakest,
Our bonds Thou breakest;

Who trusts Thee surely
Has built securely;
He stands forever: Alleluia!
Our hearts are pining
To see Thy shining,
Dying or living
To Thee are cleaving;
Naught can us sever: Alleluia!

- 2 Since He is ours,
We fear no powers,
Not of earth nor sin nor death.
He sees and blesses
In worst distresses;
He can change them with a breath.
Wherefore the story
Tell of His glory
With hearts and voices;
All heav'n rejoices
In Him forever: Alleluia!
We shout for gladness,
Triumph o'er sadness,
Love Him and praise Him
And still shall raise Him
Glad hymns forever: Alleluia!

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SERMON

"JOY THAT LASTS"

Pr. Jim Sprengle
John 16:12-22

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.)

(8:30) “Lord of Mercy, Lord of Grace”

Words and Music by S. Pethel

Ascension Choir

*Lord of mercy, Lord of grace,
Let Your Spirit fill this place;
Lord of wisdom, Lord of truth,
Now we humbly come to You.
With our songs and with our praise,
In Your presence we stand amazed.
Lord of mercy, Lord of grace,
Let Your Spirit fill this place.*

*Let the call go out to all who truly seek the Lord,
To come and join this joyous song we sing;
Come rejoice and lend your voice
And sing in one accord
The glorious songs of praise to Him we bring.*

*Lord of glory, Lord of power,
Be with us this very hour;
We have gathered in Your name,
And Your promises we claim.
With our songs and with our praise,
In Your presence we stand amazed.
Lord of mercy, Lord of grace,
Let Your Spirit fill this place.*

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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.

For ourselves, that the faith within us be evident to the people around us, that they will want to find out more about our risen Savior, let us pray to the Lord,

C Lord have mercy.

P For those who call out to God for relief from poverty, discrimination, and injustice, that God provide relief so that they live peaceful and fruitful lives, let us pray to the Lord,

C Lord have mercy.

P For all who carry the Gospel in foreign lands, that God would open doors of opportunity for the spread of the Gospel, let us pray to the Lord,

C Lord have mercy.

P For those who are ill and those who care for them...that God would restore them to health and provide the strength they need, let us pray to the Lord,

C Lord have mercy.

P For those who are celebrating... let us pray to the Lord,

C Lord have mercy.

P These and any other things God would have us ask of Him, that He grant them for the sake of His Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

Our Father in Heaven, we hallow Thy name;
May Thy kingdom holy on earth be the same;
O give to us daily our portion of bread;
It is from Thy bounty that all must be fed.

Forgive our transgressions, and teach us to know
That humble compassion which pardons each foe;
Keep us from temptation, from evil and sin,
And Thine be the glory, forever! 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

+ DISTRIBUTION SONGS +

“Feed Us Now”

Feed us now, Bread of Life, In this holy meal;
Let us know Your love anew, We hunger for You.
Feed us now, Bread of Life, Come and live within;
Let Your peace be ours today, Lord Jesus, we pray.

Piece of bread, glass of wine, Lord, this food is good!
Love and mercy come to us, Your promise we trust.
Piece of bread, glass of wine, Who can understand
How His mercy works in these? Yet, Lord we believe.

God is here, O so near, Nearer than our thoughts.
Stay with us where'er we go, Lord, help us to grow.
God is here, O so near, In this heaven's meal.
May we always feed on You - On the Bread that is true.

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"O Sing My Soul"

O sing my soul, the ancient song, and lend Your highest praise
To Him who is the King of old and dwells in endless days.
How resplendent His glory, How majestic His name!
Now to the Uncreated One, O Let the anthem raise.

O worship Him, our Father God, The Spirit and The Word,
Who fashioned all things from His joy, and saw that it was good.
What perfection of friendship, what communion we shared!
But choosing death, we fell from life aside the guilty pair.

Now hear, my soul, the gospel song, attend the joyful news,
For Christ has come, the perfect Son, His Father's will to choose.
In our place He did suffer, In our place became sin.
The death of death, the death of Christ who stands alive again!

Now, people of the risen Lord, O hear the call to go.
Into the world we have been sent as messengers of hope.
Christ alone be our treasure, Christ alone our reward.
Come, bid the nations sing with us the praises of the Lord.

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POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith that we may join the rest of Your good creation in singing Your praises at the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; 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 blessing of God—the Father, who sent His Son into this troubled world; the ✠ Son, who kept all the Father’s word in our stead; and the Holy Spirit, who has gifted us with words and music, sharing and responding to God’s love—bless you now and always.

C Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

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- 1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear
Now to His temple draw near,
Joining in glad adoration!
- 2 Praise to the Lord, who o’er all things is wondrously reigning
And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen
All that is needful has been
Sent by His gracious ordaining?
- 4 Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew
What the Almighty can do
As with His love He befriends you.
- 5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen
Sound from His people again;
Gladly forever adore Him!

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DISMISSAL

P Go in peace as you serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

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*Thank you to Klara Schmidt for the lovely Altar flowers,
given to the glory of God.*

† BONNIE WEBBER MEMORIAL

Bonnie's memorial will be held here at Ascension at 2:00pm on Wednesday, May 21. All are Welcome.

† SUPPORT SNOW CAP WITH PROTEINS

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

† THRIVENT MEMBERS ... GET INSPIRED!

Thrivent offers members two \$250 Action Team cards each year—free! These can support projects like food drives, donations to My Father's House, property upkeep, children's ministry supplies, and more.

If you're a Thrivent member and want to learn more, write your information on the sheet in the Narthex or email Stan Chapulis at alcfinance1440@gmail.com with your name, and phone number. He'll reach out when opportunities arise and guide you through the process. Need help with paper forms? Contact Neil Zeller at 503-490-5696. Don't miss this great opportunity of service.

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

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

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

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

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

† ASCENSION DAY WORSHIP

Forty days after Easter is the festival of the Ascension of our Lord. Come worship and celebrate with us as we sing hymns of praise joined by our choir and handbells. Please join us for our annual Ascension Day Service on Thursday, May 29 at 7:00 pm.

† CHURCH WORKDAY

Saturday, May 31 from 9am to 12pm. We will be working outside!

† VOTER’S ASSEMBLY

Join us for our upcoming Voter's Assembly on June 1 following the 11:00am worship.

† PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

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

† PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY

Brett Monson – Navy, San Diego CA (Grandson of Joann Schulz)
Michael Williamson, Air Force, Reserve, Texas (grandson of Rebecca Williamson);
Jamie Wong-Lopez, Navy, Kaneohe Bay HI (nephew of Merci McInaney);
Clayton Wright, Air Force – (grandson of Virginia Jacobs);
Colton Wright, Navy – (grandson of Virginia Jacobs);
Tyler Young, Navy – Deployed (nephew of Karen Arronson).
Bradley Zeller, Army – Fort Lewis WA (grandson of Neil and Deb Zeller)
Kyle Zeller, Army – Ft. Hood TX (grandson of Neil and Deb Zeller)

LAST WEEK AT ASCENSION

Offerings for Sunday, May 11, 2025	\$5,989.02
Weekly Budgeted Needs	<u>\$8,240.72</u>
Difference	(- \$2,251.70)

Attendance Last Week

Sunday, May 11, 2025:	8:30am – 61
	<u>11:00am –87</u>
Total Attendance:	148

ASSISTING IN SERVICE TODAY, SUN., MAY 18, 2025

	8:30am	11:00am
Elder:	Bruce Blubaum	Bob Ritchie
Acolytes:	NEEDED	NEEDED
Ushers:	John Aden Randy Schroeder	Paul Walter Marcus Young
Audio/Visual:	Stan Chapulis	J. E. Knox
PowerPoint:	Debbie Rekdahl	Rosemary Knox
Greeters:	Norma Dillon Jean Dillon	Margaret Hubbard Esperanza Gutierrez
Readers:	Joann Schulz	Carlyn Staudt
Altar Guild:	Both Services: Debbie Rekdahl	
Flowers:	Both Services: Klara Schmidt	
Counters:	Both Services: Bob and Elaina Ritchie	
Sunday School	9:45am: Carrie and Michele	

ASSISTING IN SERVICE NEXT SUN., MAY 25, 2025

	8:30am	11:00am
Elder:	Randy Bryant	John Hazen
Acolytes:	NEEDED	NEEDED
Ushers:	Jim Eckart Mike Adams	Matthias McInaney Neil Zeller
Audio/Visual:	Stan Chapulis	Laura Potter
PowerPoint:	Wanda Cassetty	Caleb Zeeebuyth/Michele
Greeters:	Nancy Thomas	Carrie Graham
Readers:	Jim Eckart	Mark Wheeler
Altar Guild:	Both Services: Wendy Hazen	
Flowers:	Both Services: Bob and Elaina Ritchie	
Counters:	Both Services: NEEDED	
Sunday School	9:45am: Hana and Gina	

MILESTONES – Sunday, May 18 – Saturday, May 24

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS:

Karon Keup	May 19	Paul Walter	May 19
Hana Brandt	May 20	Sasha Schaefer	May 23

BIRTHDAYS:

Rachel Kelley	May 18	Sasha Schaefer	May 18
Gertrud Bublies	May 19	Justino Gamboa Itzab	May 21
Rosemary Knox	May 21	John Knoke	May 22
Maxine Markwart	May 24	Mike Potter	May 24

WEDDINGS: None

EVENTS THIS WEEK – SUN., MAY 18 – SAT., MAY 24

Sunday, May 18	8:30am	Worship with Communion
	9:45am	Adult Ed and Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship
	12:15pm	Bell Practice
	5:00pm	Spanish Worship
Monday, May 19	6:00pm	Young Adult Bible Study
Wednesday, May 21	2:00pm	Bonnie Webber Memorial
	6:30pm	C-101
Thursday, May 22		NEWSLETTER ITEMS DUE
	6:00pm	Praise Team
	7:00pm	Choir Practice
Friday, May 23	5:30pm	Confirmation
Saturday, May 24	8:00am	IRON MEN Bible Study Breakfast

EVENTS NEXT WEEK – SUN., MAY 25 – SAT., MAY 31

Sunday, May 25	8:30am	Worship
	9:45am	Adult Ed and Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship with Communion
	12:15pm	Bell Practice
	5:00pm	Spanish Worship with Comm.
Monday, May 26	6:00pm	Young Adult Bible Study
Wednesday, May 28	6:00pm	Praise Team
	6:30pm	C-101
	7:00pm	Choir Practice
Thursday, May 29	7:00pm	Ascension Day Worship
Friday, May 30	5:30pm	Confirmation
Saturday, May 31	9:00am	Church Workday – Outside (Weather Permitting)

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Church Office Hours: Monday–Friday 9am to 3pm

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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