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2 Corinthians 5:7

Ascension Lutheran Church  
*"A Church for Families, a Family for Everyone"*  
Sunday, June 16, 2024



## FOURTH 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: “We Are Always of Good Courage”

**As We Gather:** Once again, the Word of God in our ears this day speaks of the glorious and happy goal that God’s salvation promises to all who believe in His saving mercy, grace, and love. From of old, the Lord has promised a secure future in His presence both now and especially in the eternity of life in the resurrection. Though we experience the weakness and maybe even dread of growing old, by faith we are like firm trees planted by the strength of God. That faith is the very creation of God the Holy Spirit, which grows and remains strong regardless of our circumstances. So even though we become discouraged at times, our confidence is always renewed by God as we remain steadfast in connection with His mighty Word.

### Prelude

### Welcome

### This Is My Father’s World

This is my Father’s world,  
And to my listening ears  
All nature sings and round me rings  
The music of the spheres.  
This is my Father’s world,  
I rest me in the thought  
Of rocks and trees of skies and seas,  
His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father’s world,  
The birds their carols raise,  
The morning light, the lily white,  
Declare their Maker’s praise.  
This is my Father’s world,  
He shines in all that’s fair,  
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass,  
He speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world,  
O let me ne'er forget  
That though the wrong seems oft so strong,  
God is the Ruler yet.  
This is my Father's world,  
The battle is not done;  
Jesus, who died, shall be satisfied,  
And earth and Heav'n be one.

### Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{†}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

### Opening Scripture

2 Corinthians 5:1; Psalm 1:1–2

- P** We know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God,
- C** a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.
- P** Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked...
- C** but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on His law he meditates day and night.

### Confession and Absolution

- P** Let us prepare to receive God's strengthening of our faith this day as we confess our weakness and sin.
- C** Merciful God, we confess to You our discouragements; all our sins of thought, word, and deed; and the inward groaning of our souls. For the sake of Your Son's own bitter suffering and death on behalf of all, grant us forgiveness and the strength of renewed faith that we may live today as joyful citizens of heaven.
- P** You are the planting and the harvest of the Lord. I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\text{†}$  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 hope and Redeemer, we thank You for planting the seed of saving faith in our hearts by means of Your Word entering our ears and Your Sacraments touching our bodies. Grant, we pray, the strengthening of this faith that we may walk with confidence in our lives now, taking great courage in the promise of eternal life with You; 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

Ezekiel 17:22-24 (ESV)

<sup>22</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD: "I Myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar and will set it out. I will break off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and I Myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. <sup>23</sup>On the mountain height of Israel will I plant it, that it may bear branches and produce fruit and become a noble cedar. And under it will dwell every kind of bird; in the shade of its branches birds of every sort will nest. <sup>24</sup>And all the trees of the field shall know that I am the LORD; I bring low the high tree, and make high the low tree, dry up the green tree, and make the dry tree flourish. I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it."

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle Reading

2 Corinthians 5:1-17 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup>We know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. <sup>2</sup>For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, <sup>3</sup>if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. <sup>4</sup>For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. <sup>5</sup>He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee. <sup>6</sup>So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, <sup>7</sup>for we walk by faith, not by sight. <sup>8</sup>Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. <sup>9</sup>So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please Him. <sup>10</sup>For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil. <sup>11</sup>Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we persuade others. But what we are is known to God, and I hope it is known also to your conscience. <sup>12</sup>We are not commending ourselves to you again but giving you cause to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast about outward appearance and not about what is in the heart. <sup>13</sup>For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. <sup>14</sup>For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that One has died for all, therefore all have died; <sup>15</sup>and He died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for Him who for their sake died and was raised. <sup>16</sup>From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard Him thus no longer. <sup>17</sup>Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

**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. Mark, the fourth chapter.

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

<sup>26</sup>[Jesus] said, "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. <sup>27</sup>He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. <sup>28</sup>The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. <sup>29</sup>But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come." <sup>30</sup>And He said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? <sup>31</sup>It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, <sup>32</sup>yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." <sup>33</sup>With many such parables He spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it. <sup>34</sup>He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to His own disciples He explained everything.

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

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

## **Prayer and Love in Action Requests Gathered**

### **Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won**

**LSB490**

1 Jesus lives! The vict'ry's won!  
 Death no longer can appall me;  
 Jesus lives! Death's reign is done!  
 From the grave will Christ recall me.  
 Brighter scenes will then commence;  
 This shall be my confidence.

2 Jesus lives! To Him the throne  
 High above all things is given.  
 I shall go where He is gone,  
 Live and reign with Him in heaven.  
 God is faithful; doubtings, hence!  
 This shall be my confidence.



4 Jesus lives! I know full well  
Nothing me from Him shall sever.  
Neither death nor pow'rs of hell  
Part me now from Christ forever.  
God will be my sure defense;  
This shall be my confidence.

5 Jesus lives! And now is death  
But the gate of life immortal;  
This shall calm my trembling breath  
When I pass its gloomy portal.  
Faith shall cry, as fails each sense:  
Jesus is my confidence!

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## **Sermon** **“CONFIDENCE BUILDER”**

Pr. Jim Sprengle  
2 Corinthians 5:1-17

## **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.)*

## Take My Life and Let It Be

- 1 Take my life and let it be  
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;  
Take my moments and my days,  
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
- 2 Take my hands and let them move  
At the impulse of Thy love;  
Take my feet and let them be  
Swift and beautiful for Thee.
- 4 Take my silver and my gold,  
Not a mite would I withhold;  
Take my intellect and use  
Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.
- 6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour  
At Thy feet its treasure store;  
Take myself, and I will be  
Ever, only, all for Thee.

Take My Life and Let It Be, Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–79, Text: Public domain

## Prayer of the Church

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

We pray, O Lord, for Your holy church throughout the world. As at creation You spoke and it was created, so by Your mighty Word spoken into the hearts and through the witness of prophets and apostles, Your church has grown over all the earth throughout the ages. Continue to speak Your blessing and power to and through all pastors and teachers, and inspire the shared witness of all Your people to the joy and salvation of many people. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

- P** As nations continue to be disrupted by conflicts, wars, and rumors of wars, send leaders who know and desire the ways of peace. Grant unity of purpose, especially to our country, that we may live in peace. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

**P** For all Your people here present who have received Your blessed Word, grant the increase of faith and confidence to know that You bless us with Your promise of eternal life both now and forever. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

**P** Hear our prayers for all who are in trouble, adversity, need, sickness, or fear of death...Touch each one who calls on You with Your healing and steady hand, and give them courage even in their trials. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

**P** We give thanks for the blessings celebrated this week...Lord, in Your mercy,

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

**P** Remembering all Your saints, the faithful who have gone before us, especially those most dear to us, keep us in firm faith all our days with the joyous prospect of the day of resurrection and life everlasting. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, 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 closing scripture.)**

**+ 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 +**

**Eat This Bread**

**LSB638**

**Refrain**     **Eat this bread, drink this cup,  
                  Come to Him and never be hungry.  
                  Eat this bread, drink this cup,  
                  Trust in Him and you will not thirst.**

- 1 This is His body given for you; this is His blood that was shed for you. **(refrain)**
- 2 As often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you show His death until He comes again. **(refrain)**

- 3 Eat His flesh and drink His blood, and Christ will raise you up on the Last Day. **(refrain)**
- 4 Anyone who eats this bread will live forever. **(refrain)**
- 5 If we believe and eat this bread, we will have eternal life. **(refrain)**

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### **Beautiful Savior (contemporary)**

All my days I will sing this song of gladness,  
Give my praise to the Fountain of delights;  
For in my helplessness You heard my cry,  
And waves of mercy poured down on my life.

I will trust in the cross of my Redeemer,  
I will sing of the blood that never fails;  
Of sins forgiven, of conscience cleansed,  
Of death defeated and life without end. (chorus)

#### **(Chorus)**

**Beautiful Savior, Wonderful Counselor,  
Clothed in majesty, Lord of history,  
You're the Way, the Truth, the Life.  
Star of the Morning, glorious in holiness,  
You're the Risen One, heaven's Champion  
And You reign, You reign over all.**

I long to be where the praise is never-ending,  
Yearn to dwell where the glory never fades;  
Where countless worshippers will share one song,  
And cries of 'worthy' will honor the Lamb! (chorus)

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## Post-Communion Thanksgiving

**P** Let us pray.

O Lord, by Your holy communion with us, grant us good courage to walk by faith with the joyful prospect of reaching the goal of our heavenly home, where You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Closing Scripture

**P** The grass withers and the flowers fall,

**C** but the Word of our God stands forever!

**P** The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy, making wise the simple.

**C** The precepts of the Lord are right, giving joy to the heart.

**P** I have hidden Your Word in my heart, that I might not sin against You.

**C** It is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

**P** Let us go forth and grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

**C** Lord, grant us courage as we sow the seed of Your Word in the world and tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.

## 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.)

## Prayer For Fathers Day

**P** Lord, on this day set aside to honor and remember fathers, we give You thanks for those men who have loved us and sheltered us, challenged and inspired us.

We thank you for each man who supported us, struggled with us, helped us find our calling in life and showed us how to be people of both strength and gentleness.

Thank you, God, for the men who taught us Your will and Your Word. Thank You for the men in our lives who have prayed and watched over us and who showed us through their commitment to You, how important You are.

Grant to those men among us who are now raising children an extra measure of wisdom that they may know how to guide young feet through an increasingly turbulent world. Give to them strength to know how to be tough as well as tender, demanding as well as forgiving. We commend them to Your care, and we thank You for blessing us with them and for Your perfect love for us as our Heavenly Father. In the name of Jesus, we pray.

**C** Amen.

## Hymn For Fathers Day

(tune: "Eternal Father, Strong to Save")

To fathers near and far we sing,  
our gratitude and thanks we bring.  
Your strength throughout our early years  
helped us to conquer all our fears.  
And when we needed extra care,  
our comfort came when you were there.

To dads and husbands ev'rywhere,  
Our hopes, our dreams, our lives we share.  
The fam'ly ties which we hold dear  
Bind us together far and near.  
We have so many things to say  
As we all celebrate today.

And to our fathers, thanks we lift  
For their great love, a precious gift.  
Lord Jesus, be with them, we pray.  
Send down Your Spirit ev'ry day.  
Let all the fathers now be blessed,  
Both here on earth and saints at rest.

Hymn For Father's Day, (tune: "Eternal Father, Strong to Save"), C. Martin Staub. Copyright 2008.

## Dismissal

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

**G** **Thanks be to God!**

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

# JUNE 16, 2024

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## † THE CHOSEN SEASON 4 BEGINS!

The Chosen watch party will begin on June 22 at 10:30am. We cannot wait to see you all there!

## † THANKS, FROM MILLIE EDWARDS

A special thank you to my church family, for all the cards, phone calls and prayers during my recovery from my shoulder injury.

## † CHILD BEYOND INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY

Sunday June 30, the Mission Board will host a Sunday to support Child Beyond, International (CBI). The fundraiser and church services will inform and encourage our members as to how we can support this ministry.

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## † MILESTONES - SUNDAY, JUNE 16– SATURDAY, JUNE 22

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### BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS:

Greg Zahm	June 17	Dustin Schaffer	June 18
Pam Eilers	June 21	Herb Hoefler	June 22
Herb Reiniger	June 22		

### BIRTHDAYS:

Jan Oswald	June 16	James Freeman	June 19
Gabriela Alvarado	June 20	Wendy Hazen	June 20
Riki Neagle	June 20		

### WEDDINGS:

Tom and Teresa Osgood	June 16, 2001
David and Linda Tatum	June 18, 1977
Bob and Elaina Ritchie	June 22, 1991

## † PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

Debbie Rekdahl, Karla Deal, Jan Galberth, Jim Eckart, Gina Kreps, Herb and Carol Hoefler, Mike Fogarty, Gertrud Bublies, Alma Bangs, Randy Bryant's brother, Mel Haggard, Eileen Hatley, Virginia Jacob's brother (Robert), Esperanza Gutierrez' mother (Antonia), Cindy Linnemann, \*Barbara Schrader, \*Larry Hart, \*Lorraine Haggard, \*Carolyn Barendse. \*Home Bound.

## † PRAYER NEEDS?

Please e-mail: [office@alcpportland.org](mailto:office@alcpportland.org) or call 503-665-8821.

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**ASSISTING IN SERVICE TODAY, SUN., JUNE 16, 2024**

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	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>11:00am</b>
<b>Elder:</b>	Bruce Blubaum	John Hazen
<b>Acolytes:</b>	<b>NEEDED</b>	<b>NEEDED</b>
<b>Ushers:</b>	Stan Chapulis Marcus Young John Aden <b>NEEDED</b>	Marcus Young Paul Walter
<b>Audio/Visual:</b>	Laura Potter	J.E. Knox
<b>PowerPoint:</b>	Rebecca Williamson	Rosemary Knox
<b>Greeters:</b>	Norma Dillon Jean Dillon	Margaret Hubbard Esperanza Gutierrez
<b>Readers:</b>	Peggy Hall	No Reader
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	Both Services	Karen Zahursky
<b>Flowers:</b>	Both Services	Neil and Deb Zeller
<b>Counters:</b>	Both Services	Dave and Jan Oswald
<b>Sunday School</b>	9:45am	Carrie Graham and Michele

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**ASSISTING IN SERVICE NEXT, SUN., JUNE 23, 2024**

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	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>11:00am</b>
<b>Elder:</b>	Dave Oswald	Herb Hoefler
<b>Acolytes:</b>	<b>NEEDED</b>	Alex Hodges
<b>Ushers:</b>	Stan Chapulis Jim Eckart	Marcus Young Matthias McInaney Paul Walter Eric Kreps
<b>Audio/Visual:</b>	Michele Sprengle	Laura Potter
<b>PowerPoint:</b>	Debbie Rekdahl	Rebecca Williamson
<b>Greeters:</b>	Sheryl Maier	Celia Kreps
<b>Readers:</b>	Jim Eckart	Julie Williamson
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	Both Services	Jan Oswald
<b>Flowers:</b>	Both Services	Sheryl Maier
<b>Counters:</b>	Both Services	Bob and Elaina Ritchie
<b>Sunday School</b>	9:45am	Michele Sprengle and Carrie

**† PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY**

**Do you have a family member in the military? Please email the information to [office@alcportland.org](mailto:office@alcportland.org) so we can pray for them!**

Michael Williamson, Air Force, Reserve – Texas (grandson of Rebecca Williamson);  
 Jamie Wong-Lopez, Navy – Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii (nephew of Merci McInaney);  
 Clayton Wright, Osan Air Base, South Korea – (grandson of Virginia Jacobs);  
 Colton Wright, Navy – (grandson of Virginia Jacobs);  
 Tyler Young, Navy – Deployed (nephew of Karen Arronson).  
 Bradley Zeller, Army – Fort Lewis (grandson of Neil and Deb Zeller)  
 Kyle Zeller, Army – Ft. Hood TX (grandson of Neil and Deb Zeller)

**EVENTS THIS WEEK – SUN., JUNE 16– SAT., JUNE 22**

<b>Sunday, June 16</b>	8:30am	Worship with Communion
	9:45am	Adult Ed and Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship
	12:15pm	Bell Practice
	5:00pm	Spanish Worship
<b>Tuesday, June 18</b>	6:00pm	3:10 Group
<b>Wednesday, June 19</b>	11:30am	Watercolor Painting Class
	2:00pm	Crafting Get-Together
	7:00pm	C-101
<b>Thursday, June 20</b>	6:00pm	Praise Team
<b>Friday, June 21</b>	6:30pm	Noche Familiar
	7:00pm	Youth Group
<b>Saturday, June 22</b>	10:30am	The Chosen Season 4 Ep. 1

**EVENTS NEXT WEEK – SUN., JUNE 23– SAT., JUNE 29**

<b>Sunday, June 23</b>	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.
<b>Monday, June 24</b>		<b>Newsletter Items Due</b>
<b>Wednesday, June 26</b>	11:30am	Watercolor Painting Class
	2:00pm	Crafting Get-Together
<b>Thursday, June 27</b>	6:00pm	Praise Team
<b>Friday, June 28</b>	6:30pm	Noche Familiar
	7:00pm	Youth Group

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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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