



As the Father  
has sent Me,  
even so I am  
sending you.

JOHN 20:21 (ESV)

ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH  
“A Church for Families, a Family for Everyone”  
Sunday, April 12, 2026

## SECOND 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 on the cup return table.*)

**Para aquellos que desean participar en la Santa Cena con nosotros hoy:** *La práctica luterana de la comunión intenta evitar que una persona coma y beba el juicio de Dios sobre sí mismo (1 Corintios 11:23–30). Por lo tanto, la asistencia a la Cena del Señor implica un compromiso de cuatro niveles con Cristo. Creemos que los comulgantes deben: (1) ser bautizados como cristianos; (2) aceptar la presencia real del cuerpo de Cristo en el pan y Su sangre en el vino; (3) confesar y arrepentirse de sus pecados y confiar en que Dios ofrece el perdón completo de esos pecados en este Sacramento; y (4) compartir la unidad de fe, doctrina y práctica entre los que comulgan. Aquellos que desean comulgan con nosotros hoy que no lo han hecho anteriormente, por favor vean al pastor o un anciano antes de que comience el servicio. (Hay jugo de uva para quienes no toman alcohol. Las hostias sin gluten están en la mesa de devolución de copas.)*

## + PREPARATION +

### THEME: “LORD, GIVE US SUCH A FAITH AS THIS”

**AS WE GATHER:** One of the classic Easter songs of the church is the *Victimae Paschali*. Dating back to medieval times, it includes a musical narrative of the resurrection of Jesus. One of the verses begins by addressing Mary, who is a witness to the resurrection, in this way: “Speak, Mary, declaring what you saw when wayfaring.” And Mary replies confidently: “The tomb of Christ, who is living, the glory of Jesus’ resurrection” (*LSB* 460). The vision that Mary had of the divine messenger in a bright garment at the open and empty tomb was a glorious sight. His message, “He has risen; He is not here” (Mark 16:6), was glorious as well. The season of Easter in the life of the church is a time when the glory of God is celebrated by His faithful people. In his stirring hymn text “Thy Strong Word,” Dr. Martin Franzmann writes, “Glorious now, we press toward glory, and our lives our hopes confess” (*LSB* 578:3). Joyfully and confidently we can share the glory of Easter!

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME

### “Jesus Lives! The Victory’s Won”

LSB 490

- 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!

Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won Text: Christian Fürchtegott Gellert, 1715–69; tr. Frances E. Cox, 1812–97, alt., Text: Public domain

## INVOCATION

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

**C** Amen.

## OPENING SCRIPTURE

**P** Christ is risen!

**C** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

**P** We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him.

**C** **Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.**

**P** I will extol You, my God and King, and bless Your name forever and ever.

**C** **On the glorious splendor of Your majesty, and on Your wondrous works, I will meditate, and I will declare Your greatness.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Micah 6:6–8

**P** Let us come before God in true repentance, seeking forgiveness and amendment of our lives as we follow the Lord.

**C** “With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high? “Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? “Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? “Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”

**P** He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

**C** **Almighty God, we confess that we are indeed sinful by our very nature. We have done the evil You forbid and have not done the good You demand. We do repent and are truly sorry for these our sins. Have mercy on us because of Jesus, our Savior. Grant that, by the working of the Holy Spirit, we may live out our lives faithfully until that time when we, by His grace, join the company of heaven forever.**

**P** God has promised forgiveness to those who repent of their sins and turn to Him for grace. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and at His command, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** May our gracious God, lead you to greater faith and obedience, and bring you to live with Him eternally in His glory, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

## SALUTATION

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, we celebrate the mystery of our Lord's resurrection from the dead. Help us to show the power of His resurrection in all that we say and do; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, 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 5:29-42 (ESV)

<sup>29</sup>But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men. <sup>30</sup>The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging Him on a tree. <sup>31</sup>God exalted Him at His right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. <sup>32</sup>And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, Whom God has given to those who obey Him." <sup>33</sup>When they heard this, they were enraged and wanted to kill them. <sup>34</sup>But a Pharisee in the council named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law held in honor by all the people, stood up and gave orders to put the men outside for a little while. <sup>35</sup>And he said to them, "Men of Israel, take care what you are about to do with these men. <sup>36</sup>For before these days Theudas rose up, claiming to be somebody, and a number of men, about four hundred, joined him. He was killed, and all who followed him were dispersed and came to nothing. <sup>37</sup>After him Judas the Galilean rose up in the days of the census and drew away some of the people after him. He too perished, and all who followed him were scattered. <sup>38</sup>So in the present case I tell you, keep away from these men and let them alone, for if this plan or this undertaking is of man, it will fail; <sup>39</sup>but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them. You might even be found opposing God!"

So they took his advice, <sup>40</sup>and when they had called in the apostles, they beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. <sup>41</sup>Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name. <sup>42</sup>And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.

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

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

## **EPISTLE**

1 Peter 1:3-9 (ESV)

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to His great mercy, He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup>to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup>who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup>In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, <sup>7</sup>so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup>Though you have not seen Him, you love Him. Though you do not now see Him, you believe in Him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, <sup>9</sup>obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

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

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

## **LAMBS' LESSON**

Pr. Jim Sprengle

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

John 20:19-31 (ESV)

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

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

<sup>19</sup>On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you."  
<sup>20</sup>When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord.

<sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent Me, even so I am sending you." <sup>22</sup>And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld." <sup>24</sup>Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into His side, I will never believe." <sup>26</sup>Eight days later, His disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>27</sup>Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see My hands; and put out your hand, and place it in My side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered Him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen Me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." <sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; <sup>31</sup>but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name.

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

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

## **PRAYER AND LOVE IN ACTION REQUESTS ARE GATHERED**

### **"O Sons and Daughters of the King"**

LSB 470

- 1 O sons and daughters of the King,  
Whom heav'nly hosts in glory sing,  
Today the grave has lost its sting!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
  
- 5 When Thomas first the tidings heard  
That they had seen the risen Lord,  
He doubted the disciples' word.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

- 6 “My piercèd side, O Thomas, see,  
And look upon My hands, My feet;  
Not faithless but believing be.”  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 7 No longer Thomas then denied;  
He saw the feet, the hands, the side;  
“You are my Lord and God!” he cried.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 8 How blest are they who have not seen  
And yet whose faith has constant been,  
For they eternal life shall win.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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**SERMON**  
“PASS IT ON”

Pr. Jim Sprengle  
John 20:19-31

**CREED (sung)**  
*(tune: Joyful, Joyful)*

We believe in God the Father, Maker of the Universe,  
And in Christ, His Son our Savior, come to us by virgin birth.  
We believe He died to save us, bore our sins, was crucified;  
Then He rose in victory, ascended to the Father’s side.

Jesus, Jesus is our Savior, Jesus, Jesus is our Lord,  
Jesus, name above all others, Son of God, the living Word.  
We believe He sends His Spirit on His church with gifts of power;  
God, His Word of truth affirming, sends us to the nations now.

He will come again in glory, judge the living and the dead,  
Every knee shall bow before Him, then must every tongue confess:  
Jesus, Jesus is our Savior, Jesus, Jesus is our Lord,  
Jesus, name above all others, Son of God, the living Word.

**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 Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord God, like Thomas we wrestle with faith amid doubts and fears. Grant us Your Holy Spirit, that believing, we may see, and seeing, we may rejoice in Your Son and the power of His resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

**P** Gracious Lord, give courage to all pastors as they preach and teach the Word, that all who hear may believe and that, believing, they may live in righteousness and godliness until the day Christ returns as Judge and Lord of all. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

**P** Give peace, Lord, to our homes and enliven them by Christ's resurrected life. Let the forgiveness of sins reign among husbands and wives, parents and children. Assure those who live alone that they, too, are Your children, upheld by Your right hand. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

**P** Lord God of hosts, You have added believers in the Lord Jesus in all times and places, from those receptive and hostile alike. Shepherd the nations, and bring all peoples to embrace the Gospel of the resurrected Christ. Curb wicked rulers and break their power, that all would be brought to the feet of Jesus in worship. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

**P** Gracious Father, as Your Son's wounds brought gladness and peace to the troubled disciples, give Your presence and comfort to the troubled in our midst...Grant them hope and strengthen their faith through the blessed joy of Easter morning. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

**P** Heavenly Father, Your Son suffered on our behalf to win salvation for us. Grant that we may have the privilege not only of believing in Him, but also of suffering for His sake. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

**P** Lord of all goodness, thank You for the blessings You have bestowed on Your whole creation. We pray in thanksgiving and rejoice with those celebrating this week...Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** O Lord, heavenly Father, give us all things good and beneficial to us and to our salvation, and keep us from all things harmful; through Jesus Christ, our crucified and risen Savior, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**C** **Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth  
as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For Thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.**

**(8:30am service, turn to page 13 for the Closing Acclamation)**

### **+ 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 SONGS +**

### **“Come, Share The Lord”**

We gather here in Jesus' name,  
His love is burning in our hearts like living flame.  
For through the loving Son, the Father makes us one.  
Come, take the bread; Come, drink the wine;  
Come, share the Lord.

He joins us here, He breaks the bread.  
The Lord Who pours the cup is risen from the dead.  
The One we love the most is now our gracious host.  
Come, take the bread; Come, drink the wine;  
Come, share the Lord.

We'll gather soon where angels sing,  
We'll see the glory of our Lord and coming King.  
Now we anticipate the feast for which we wait.  
Come, take the bread; Come, drink the wine;  
Come, share the Lord.

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### **“Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks”**

#### **Chorus**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the Risen Lord;  
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to His Name.**

Jesus is Lord of all the earth;  
He is the King of creation. **(chorus)**

Spread the good news o'er all the earth;  
Jesus has died and has risen. **(chorus)**

We have been crucified with Christ;  
Now we shall live forever. **(chorus)**

God has proclaimed the just reward:  
Life for all men, alleluia! **(chorus)**

Come, let us praise the Living God;  
Joyfully sing to our Savior. **(chorus)**

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## **POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

**P** Let us pray.

Blessed are You, heavenly Father, for You have once again fed and nourished us at Your Table through the body and blood of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Strengthen us so that we may speak boldly of our faith day by day and in all of the callings and vocations of our lives proclaim Your love to all the world. Keep us faithful unto death and bring us at last to Your eternal kingdom, where You live and reign with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## **CLOSING ACCLAMATION**

**P** Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; the Lord is risen!

**C** He is risen indeed!

**P** Where, O grave, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting? Death has been swallowed up in victory!

**C** Amen! Alleluia!

- P** Jesus said, “I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die.”
- C** **Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**
- P** Christ is risen!
- C** **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## **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.)

### **“He’s Risen, He’s Risen”**

LSB 480

- 1 He’s risen, He’s risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord;  
He opened death’s prison, the incarnate, true Word.  
Break forth, hosts of heaven, in jubilant song  
And earth, sea, and mountain their praises prolong.
- 2 The foe was triumphant when on Calvary  
The Lord of creation was nailed to the tree.  
In Satan’s domain did the hosts shout and jeer,  
For Jesus was slain, whom the evil ones fear.
- 3 But short was their triumph; the Savior arose,  
And death, hell, and Satan He vanquished, His foes.  
The conquering Lord lifts His banner on high;  
He lives, yes, He lives, and will nevermore die.

4 O, where is your sting, death? We fear you no more;  
Christ rose, and now open is fair Eden's door.  
For all our transgressions His blood does atone;  
Redeemed and forgiven, we now are His own.

△ 5 Then sing your hosannas and raise your glad voice;  
Proclaim the blest tidings that all may rejoice.  
Laud, honor, and praise to the Lamb that was slain:  
With Father and Spirit He ever shall reign.

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## DISMISSAL

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

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

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*Thank you to Merci McInaney for the lovely Altar flowers,  
honoring Merci's baptism and Keilak's birthday,  
given to the glory of God.*

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

# APRIL 12, 2026

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## † YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

The Bible study on Monday, April 13 at 6:00pm will be at Christ the Vine Lutheran Church, 18677 SE Hwy 212, Damascus, OR 97089

## † LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Our next session of "Bless These Lips: Week 5" will take place on April 14 at 2:00pm.

## † THANK YOU!

The **Outreach Board** wants to thank all of you for the time and effort so many put into this event. We are very grateful!

The **Human Care Board** would like to thank everyone who assisted in making the Easter Breakfast a success. We are grateful for the help received from men in the Iron Men group, the Human Care Board, members who prepared food for the breakfast, and all the others who helped out. Over 100 people attended, enjoyed a delicious breakfast and had fun winning prizes. Ticket sales raised \$820, which will support the Benevolence Fund to help people in need.

## † PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

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

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## GENERAL FUND OFFERINGS

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March General Fund Tithes	\$ 36,152
March Expenses	\$ 54,163
<b>Difference</b>	- (\$ 18,011)

(The employee pension funds have been brought up to date. The total needed was \$17,300. Benefits are now intact.)

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## DEDICATED OFFERINGS

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*March Dedicated Offerings* \$ 607

## † PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY

Brett Monson – Navy, San Diego CA (Grandson of Joann Schulz)

Jamie Wong-Lopez, Navy, Kaneohe Bay HI (nephew of Merci McInaney)

Clayton Wright, Air Force – (grandson of Virginia Jacobs)

Colton Wright, Navy – (grandson of Virginia Jacobs)

Tyler Young, Navy – Deployed (nephew of Karen Arronson).

Bradley Zeller, Army – Fort Lewis WA (grandson of the Zeller's)

Kyle Zeller, Army – Deployed to Poland (grandson of the Zeller's)

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### EVENTS THIS WEEK – SUN. APR. 12–SAT., APR. 18, 2026

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<b>Sunday, April 12</b>	8:30am	Worship
	9:45am	Adult Ed and Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship with Communion
	12:15pm	Bell Practice
	5:00pm	Spanish Worship
<b>Monday, April 13</b>	10:30am	C-101
	1:00pm	Stewardship Board Meeting
	6:00pm	Young Adult Bible Study at Christ the Vine Lutheran Church
<b>Tuesday, April 14</b>	2:00pm	Women's Bible Study
	2:30pm	Confirmation
	6:00pm	Council Meeting
<b>Thursday, April 16</b>	6:00pm	Praise Team
	7:00pm	Choir Practice

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### EVENTS NEXT WEEK – SUN., APR. 19–SAT., APR. 25, 2026

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<b>Sunday, April 19</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>Monday, April 20</b>	10:30am	C-101
	6:00pm	Young Adult Bible Study
<b>Tuesday, April 21</b>	2:30pm	Confirmation
<b>Wednesday, April 22</b>		Newsletter items Due
<b>Thursday, April 23</b>	6:00pm	Praise Team
	7:00pm	Choir Practice
<b>Saturday, April 25</b>	8:00am	Iron Men Devotion

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**ASSISTING IN SERVICE TODAY, APRIL 12, 2026**

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	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>11:00am</b>
<b>Elder:</b>	Dave Oswald	Herb Hoefer
<b>Ushers:</b>	Stan Chapulis-1 Jim Eckart-2	Matthias McInaney -1 John Aden -2
<b>Audio/Visual:</b>	Teresa Osgood	Wyatt Brown
<b>PowerPoint:</b>	Tom Osgood	<b>NEEDED</b>
<b>Greeters:</b>	Millie Edwards	Riki Neagle
<b>Readers:</b>	Joann Schulz	Mark Wheeler
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	Both Services: Wendy Hazen	
<b>Flowers:</b>	Both Services: Merci McInaney	
<b>Counters:</b>	Both Services: Bob and Elaina Ritchie	
<b>Sunday School:</b>	Sunday School: Michele and <b>NEEDED</b>	

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**ASSISTING NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2026**

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	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>11:00am</b>
<b>Elder:</b>	Bruce Blubaum	John Hazen
<b>Ushers:</b>	Duke Sheppard -1 Bryant Sheppard -2	Bob Freeman-1 James Freeman-2
<b>Audio/Visual:</b>	Stan Chapulis	J. E. Knox
<b>PowerPoint:</b>	Debbie Rekdahl	Rosemary Knox
<b>Greeters:</b>	Sheryl Maier	Esperanza Gutierrez Margaret Hubbard
<b>Readers:</b>	Carlyn Staudt	Caleb Zeebuyth
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	Both Services: Margo Bachhuber	
<b>Flowers:</b>	Both Services: John and Wendy Hazen	
<b>Counters:</b>	Both Services: Dave and Jan Oswald	
<b>Sunday School:</b>	Sunday School: Carrie and Carolyn	

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**Attendance**

Maundy Thursday	7:00pm	60
Good Friday	7:00pm	85
Easter Sunday, April 5	8:30am	119
	<u>11:00am</u>	<u>91</u>
	<b>TOTAL =</b>	<b>210</b>
Easter Breakfast		115

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**MILESTONES – Sunday, April 12 through Sat., April 18**

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**BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS:**

Laura Potter	Apr. 13	Debbie Walter	Apr. 14
Barbara Patch	Apr. 15	Cody Brown	Apr. 16
Rose Cassetty	Apr. 16	Wanda Cassetty	Apr. 16
Samantha Brannies	Apr. 16	Merci McInaney	Apr. 17

**BIRTHDAYS:**

Keilah Woods	Apr. 14	Cecelia Zuriega	Apr. 14
Dan Anderson	Apr. 16	Laura Potter	Apr. 16
Ty Fogarty	Apr. 17	Sylvia Guthrie	Apr. 17

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:** None

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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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