ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH

"A Church for Families, a Family for Everyone"

Sunday, October 26, 2025

REFORMATION DAY (Observed)

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 +

TITLE: "BE STILLED AND BE GLADDENED"

AS WE GATHER: In our fallen humanity, we often resist the truth that God is our mighty fortress—our "refuge and strength" (Psalm 46:1). Fear can grip us when nations rage, mountains tremble, and waters roar and foam. We grow anxious when life does not unfold according to our plans. Yet our fears cannot change the unshakable truth that "the LORD of hosts is with us." In His grace, God has baptized us into the river of life and promises us a home where "there is a river whose streams make glad the city of God." This eternal paradise and the abiding presence of God are ours only because of Jesus.

PRELUDE

"Here I Stand"
words and music by L. Shackley and M. Luther
Ascension Choir

The world is full of doubt and fear and darkness;
Uncertainty is tearing us apart,
And voices call upon us to abandon the truth
that Christ has written in our heart.

But in the hour of trial, we hear the Spirit
encouraging God's children on their way,
reminding us that we are more than conquerors.
So, in the name of Jesus, we can say:

Here I stand, I can do no other,
For I know the mighty Word of God will never, never fail;
And the gates of hell against the church of God will not prevail,
So for all time, here I stand!

So with our hearts set firmly on Your promises,
We stand and face the future unafraid.
Your Word will be the lamp to guide our pathway;
The hope we have in Christ will never fade.

That Word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to them, abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
The body they may kill; God's truth abideth still:
His kingdom is forever!

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WELCOME

"Reformation Song"

Your Word alone is solid ground;
The mighty rock on which we build.
In every line the truth is found,
And every page with glory filled.

Through faith alone we come to You.
We have no merit we can claim.
Sure that Your promises are true,
We place our hope in Jesus' name.

(Chorus)
Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone.
Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone.

In Christ alone we're justified.
His righteousness is all our plea,
Your law's demands are satisfied.
His perfect work has set us free. (**Chorus)**

By grace alone we have been saved.
All that we are has come from You.
Hearts that were once by sin enslaved,
Now by Your pow'r have been made new. (**Chorus)**

And on this Reformation day,
We join with saints of old to sing.
We lift our hearts as one in praise:
Glory to Christ our gracious King. (**Chorus)**

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INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✢ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

OPENING SCRIPTURE Psalm 46:1, 7, 10–11

P God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

C **The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.**

P "Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!"

C **The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION Isaiah 35:10

P Let us confess our sins to God, our Father.

C **Almighty God, You are our mighty fortress and our sure defense. Yet we confess that we often resist this truth. We turn instead to the so-called wisdom of the world. We forget that in Christ we are truly free, and we measure our worth by our own law-keeping and effort. We claim Your works as our own and fail to trust that You are with us in every struggle. Forgive us, Lord, for our pride and unbelief. Still our selfish hearts, restore our joy, and set us free again, for Jesus' sake. Amen.**

P The prophet Isaiah reminds us, "The ransomed of the LORD shall return and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain gladness and joy, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away." This is our reality as Jesus forgives us and sets us free. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive You all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ 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.
O God, our refuge and strength, our very present help in times of trouble, still our restless souls and gladden our hearts with the joy that is ours in Your Son, Jesus, 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 Revelation 14:6-7 (ESV)

6Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. 7And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give Him glory, because the hour of His judgment has come, and worship Him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING Romans 3:19-28 (ESV)

19Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. 20For by works of the law no human being will be justified in His sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. 21But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— 22the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: 23for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24and are justified by His grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 25whom God put forward as a propitiation by His blood, to be received by faith.

This was to show God's righteousness, because in His divine forbearance He had passed over former sins. [26]It was to show His righteousness at the present time, so that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. [27]Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. [28]For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

L This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

LAMBS' LESSON Pr. Jim Sprengle

HOLY GOSPEL John 8:31-36 (ESV)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

[31]So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in Him, "If you abide in My word, you are truly My disciples, [32]and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." [33]They answered Him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?" [34]Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. [35]The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. [36]So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

PRAYER/LOVE IN ACTION REQUESTS GATHERED

"By Grace I'm Saved" LSB 566

1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and boundless;
My soul, believe and doubt it not.
Why stagger at this word of promise?
Has Scripture ever falsehood taught?
No! Then this word must true remain:
By grace you too will life obtain.

2 By grace! None dare lay claim to merit;
Our works and conduct have no worth.
God in His love sent our Redeemer,
Christ Jesus, to this sinful earth;
His death did for our sins atone,
And we are saved by grace alone.

4 By grace! This ground of faith is certain;
As long as God is true, it stands.
What saints have penned by inspiration,
What in His Word our God commands,
Our faith in what our God has done
Depends on grace—grace through His Son.

6 By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;
In Jesus' promise I rejoice;
For though I know my heart's condition,
I also know my Savior's voice.
My heart is glad, all grief has flown
Since I am saved by grace alone.

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SERMON Pr. Jim Sprengle
"GRACE CHANGES EVERYTHING" Romans 3:19-28

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from Heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into Heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(Our offerings are made as an act of worship, given in loving response to all that God has graciously given us, both materially and spiritually.)

"By Grace I'm Saved"

arr. L. Delancy
Handbell Choir

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.

O Lord of hosts, we give You glory and thanks for being our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble, especially on this Reformation festival. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Thank You for the gift of Your grace that alone sets us free through the blood of Your Son, Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Faithful and forgiving God, thank You for bringing us to faith in You. It is through this faith alone that we are saved. Grow us in Your grace and guide us by Your Spirit in living our faith daily. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

℗ O Word who became flesh and dwelt among us, You have given us the Word of Life. Strengthen us by Your Word. Lead and guide us by Your truth. Give Your church on earth faithful pastors who preach and teach the Gospel in all its purity. Lord, in Your mercy,

℃ **hear our prayer.**

℗ Lord Jesus, You are the One who sets us free. In You alone our hope is found. You are our strength and our refuge. Remember all who face adversity of any kind...comfort, strengthen, and heal them by Your Holy Spirit. Lord, in Your mercy,

℃ **hear our prayer.**

℗ Gracious Father, 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,

℃ **hear our prayer.**

℗ Preserve Your church, O Lord, and each of us as members of Christ's Body, that we may not surrender the true Gospel for any reason but be kept in this faith and fear throughout the days of our earthly pilgrimage, until that day when we and all Your people shall stand before the judgment seat of Christ to receive the reward You have prepared for us and all who have loved His appearing. To You alone be all glory, now and forever, for You rule and reign as one God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

℃ **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

℃ **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, 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

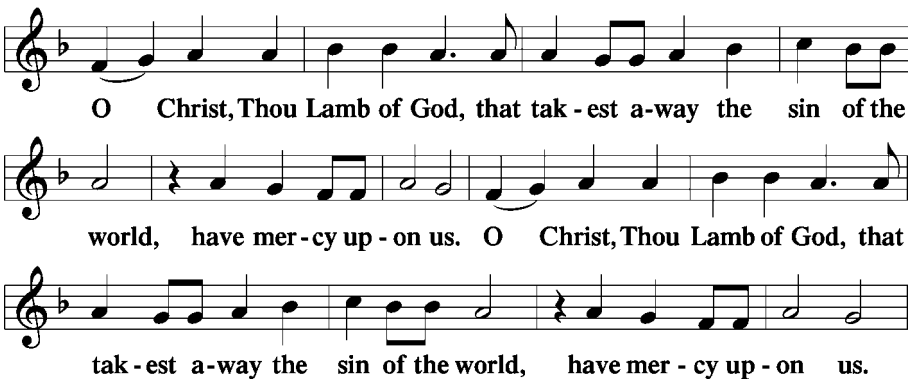
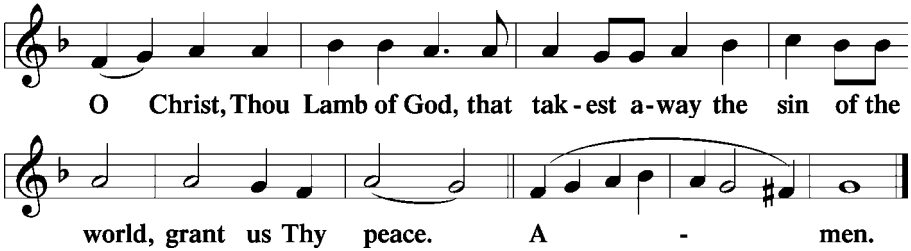
PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

+ DISTRIBUTION HYMNS +

Agnus Dei



"O Lord, We Praise Thee" LSB 617

1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and adore Thee,
In thanksgiving bow before Thee.
Thou with Thy body and Thy blood didst nourish
Our weak souls that they may flourish: O Lord, have mercy!
May Thy body, Lord, born of Mary,
That our sins and sorrows did carry,
And Thy blood for us plead
In all trial, fear, and need: O Lord, have mercy!

2 Thy holy body into death was given,
Life to win for us in heaven.
No greater love than this to Thee could bind us;
May this feast thereof remind us! O Lord, have mercy!
Lord, Thy kindness did so constrain Thee
That Thy blood should bless and sustain me.
All our debt Thou hast paid;
Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mercy!

3 May God bestow on us His grace and favor
That we follow Christ our Savior
And live together here in love and union
Nor despise this blest Communion! O Lord, have mercy!
Let not Thy good Spirit forsake us;
Grant that heav'nly-minded He make us;
Give Thy Church, Lord, to see
Days of peace and unity: O Lord, have mercy!

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“Built on the Rock” LSB 645

1 Built on the Rock the Church shall stand
Even when steeples are falling.
Crumbled have spires in ev’ry land;
Bells still are chiming and calling,
Calling the young and old to rest,
But above all the souls distressed,
Longing for rest everlasting.

2 Surely in temples made with hands
God, the Most High, is not dwelling;
High above earth His temple stands,
All earthly temples excelling.
Yet He who dwells in heav’n above
Chooses to live with us in love,
Making our bodies His temple.

3 We are God’s house of living stones,
Built for His own habitation.
He through baptismal grace us owns
Heirs of His wondrous salvation.
Were we but two His name to tell,
Yet He would deign with us to dwell
With all His grace and His favor.

4 Here stands the font before our eyes,
Telling how God has received us.
The_altar recalls Christ’s sacrifice
And what His Supper here gives us.
Here sound the Scriptures that proclaim
Christ yesterday, today, the same,
And evermore, our Redeemer.

5 Grant, then, O God, Your will be done,
That, when the church bells are ringing,
Many in saving faith may come
Where Christ His message is bringing:
“I know My own; My own know Me.
You, not the world, My face shall see.
My peace I leave with you. Amen.”

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POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

℗ Let us pray.

Lord of hosts, we thank and praise You for blessing us with Your body and blood. Still our souls and gladden our hearts so that we exalt You among the nations and throughout the whole earth; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

℃ **Amen.**

CLOSING

℗ O Lord, You are our refuge and our strength,

℃ **A very present help in times of trouble, therefore we will not fear.**

℗ O God, we have embraced the freedom You offer us.

℃ **We embrace the Son who makes us free.**

℗ O Lord, we honor the bold faith of our brothers and sisters in Christ who have gone before us.

℃ **May we each be as bold in our faith this week as we cry "Come, Holy Spirit!", help us to die again and again in Christ so that we might be truly free.**

℗ O God, You gave us the living Word.

℃ **Help us to listen to it, to live it, and to be bold enough to let it change our lives, and the lives of those with whom we come in contact each day. Amen.**

BENEDICTION

℗ 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.

℃ **Amen.**

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

(please stand)

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" LSB 657

1 A mighty fortress is our God,
A sword and shield victorious;
He breaks the cruel oppressor's rod
And wins salvation glorious.
The old satanic foe Has sworn to work us woe.
With craft and dreadful might
He arms himself to fight.
On earth he has no equal.

2 No strength of ours can match his might.
We would be lost, rejected.
But now a champion comes to fight,
Whom God Himself elected.
You ask who this may be?
The Lord of hosts is He,
Christ Jesus, mighty Lord,
God's only Son, adored.
He holds the field victorious.

3 Though hordes of devils fill the land
All threat'ning to devour us,
We tremble not, unmoved we stand;
They cannot overpow'r us.
Let this world's tyrant rage;
In battle we'll engage.
His might is doomed to fail;
God's judgment must prevail!
One little word subdues him.

4 God's Word forever shall abide,
No thanks to foes, who fear it;
For God Himself fights by our side
With weapons of the Spirit.
Were they to take our house,
Goods, honor, child, or spouse,
Though life be wrenched away,
They cannot win the day.
The Kingdom's ours forever!

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DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

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Thank you to the Ritchie Family for the lovely Altar flowers in honor of Elaina's birthday given to the glory of God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OCT. 26, 2025

† 2026 FLOWER CHART

The 2026 Flower Chart is up and waiting for you to choose your special day. Check out the new chart across from the mailboxes and pick your date early!

† THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP

The Human Care Board is encouraging everyone to gather non-perishable food items, paper products, baby needs and pet food to donate during our annual Thanksgiving Eve Worship. Reusable grocery bags will be available in the Narthex beginning Sunday, November 2 through Sunday. November 23. Fill a bag and bring it to the Thanksgiving Eve service Nov. 26 at 7:00pm or drop it by the church in advance if you cannot make it to the service.

Thanksgiving Eve Plate Offering: The Church Council has elected that this year's Thanksgiving Eve monetary offerings will be shared between the Benevolence Fund and the Outreach Board.

† PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

The family of Ed Hubbard, Barbara Lewis, Carlyn Staudt, The family of Bill Guthrie, Joann Schulz, Chenery Whittier's son (Aaryan), Heather Gulde, Riki Neagle, Jim Eckart, Gina Kreps, Mae Smith, Jerry and Alma Bangs, Virginia Jacob's brother (Robert), *Barbara Schrader, *Larry Hart, *Mike Fogarty, *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 – Deployed to Poland (grandson of Neil and Deb Zeller)

† A NOTE ABOUT DONATIONS MADE VIA CHECK

Please make all checks payable to Ascension Lutheran Church, regardless of what they are for. Be sure to note the intended purpose on the "For" line, and we'll direct the funds accordingly.

ASSISTING IN SERVICE TODAY, SUN., 26, 2025

	8:30am	11:00am
Elder:	Bruce Blubaum	Wyatt Brown
Ushers:	Rich Bartell	Matthias McIananey
	Mike Adams	Don Brown
Audio/Visual:	Stan Chapulis	J. E. Knox
PowerPoint:	Wanda Cassetty	Rosemary Knox
Greeters:	Nancy Thomas	Sue Lewis
Readers:	Jim Eckart	Sue Rotramel
Altar Guild:	Both Services: Margo Bachhuber	
Flowers:	Both Services: Bob and Elaina Ritchie	
Counters:	Both Services: Karon Keup and Sheryl Maier	
Sunday School:	Hana and Gina	

ASSISTING NEXT WEEK, SUN., NOV. 2, 2025

	8:30am	11:00am
Elder:	Dave Oswald	Bob Ritchie
Ushers:	Rich Bartell	Marcus Young
	Stan Chapulis	Don Brown
Audio/Visual:	Laura Potter	Wyatt Brown
PowerPoint:	Jenny Schuldheisz	Katherine Houk
Greeters:	Margo Bachhuber	Heather Gulde
	Elizabeth Alvarado	
Readers:	Peggy Hall	J. E. Knox
Altar Guild:	Both Services: Barb Cochran	
Flowers:	Both Services: Rick and Robin Wymore	
Counters:	Both Services: Dave and Jan Oswald	
Sunday School:	Hana and Gina	

EVENTS THIS WEEK – SUN., OCT. 26 – SAT., NOV. 1

Sunday, Oct. 26	8:30am	Worship
Reformation Sunday	9:45am	Adult Ed and Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship-Communion
	12:15pm	Bell Practice
	5:00pm	Spanish Worship-Communion
Monday, Oct. 27	6:00pm	Young Adult Bible Study

Thursday, Oct. 30	6:00pm	Praise Team
	7:00pm	Choir Practice

EVENTS NEXT WEEK – SUN., NOV. 2 – SAT., NOV. 8

Sunday, Nov. 2	8:30am	Worship-Communion
	9:45am	Adult Ed and Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship
	12:15pm	Bell Practice
	5:00pm	Spanish Worship
Monday, Nov. 3	1:00pm	Human Care Board Meeting
	6:00pm	Young Adult Bible Study
Tuesday, Nov. 4	6:00pm	Elder Meeting
Thursday, Nov. 6	6:00pm	Praise Team
	7:00pm	Choir Practice

Offerings year-to-date	**Month-to-Date**	**Year-to-Date**
Income	$ 21,662.00	$ 117,706.00
Expense	$ 18,426.00	$ 120,280.00
Difference	$ 3,236.00	**- ($ 2,574.00)**

Attendance Last Week

Sunday, Oct. 19

8:30am – 54
11:00am – 65
TOTAL = 119

MILESTONES – Sunday, Oct. 26 through Sat., Nov. 1

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS:

Sandy Kirchner	Oct. 26	Gabriela Alvarado	Oct. 30
Ron Barendse	Oct. 30	Jaden Mundo	Oct. 30
Barbara Nelsen	Oct. 30	Sherry Porath	Nov. 1
Rick Vanover	Nov. 1		

BIRTHDAYS:

Elly Brown	Oct. 26	Sherry Porath	Oct. 27
Herb Reiniger	Oct. 27	Jim Sprengle	Oct. 27
Elaina Ritchie	Oct. 28	Michele Sprengle	Oct. 29
Claire Zeebuyth	Oct. 29	Dave Stabenow	Oct. 30
Barbara Cochran	Nov. 1		

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: None

Ascension Lutheran Church

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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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