



I give
thanks
to my
God
always.

1 CORINTHIANS 1:4, ESV

ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH

“A Church for Families, a Family for Everyone”

Sunday, January 18, 2026

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

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.*)

THEME: “CALLED SAINTS”

AS WE GATHER: People often speak about a person’s calling in life. They are describing a unique purpose or vocation according to interests and talents. Often, trying to determine a person’s “calling” or “destiny” is defined by some innate ability or giftedness found within ourselves, something we were born with or somehow born to do.

Today we hear of God calling otherwise ordinary fishermen Andrew and his brother Simon Peter. They were called by God through John the Baptist to follow the Messiah, the Christ, Jesus of Nazareth. They were called to be disciples and eventually to be sent on Christ’s mission as apostles. The prophet Isaiah says even the Savior, the servant of the Lord, was called from the womb by God, “that Israel might be gathered to Him,” and called “as a light for the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth” (Isaiah 49:5–6). Saul of Tarsus was “called by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus,” and Saul, now named Paul, reminds the church at Corinth and us that we are “called to be saints” (1 Corinthians 1:1–2). This calling differs from merely surveying interests or abilities within us; it comes to us from outside of ourselves, from the living God, our creator and Redeemer. This calling comes from God to everyone. It is the call of salvation, the divine call that transforms us from sinners into saints. Therefore, this calling depends not on anything within us but solely and totally on the grace and mercy and love of God.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

“There Is a Redeemer”

- 1 There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son;
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.
Thank You, O my Father, For giving us Your Son,
And leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

- 2 Jesus, my Redeemer, Name above all names;
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Hope for sinners slain.
Thank You, O my Father, For giving us Your Son,
And leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

- 3 When I stand in glory, I will see His face;
There I'll serve my King forever, In that holy place.
Thank You, O my Father, For giving us Your Son,
And leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

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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 43:4; 1 Corinthians 6:11

P I will go to the altar of God,

C to God my exceeding joy.

P You were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified

C in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

CONFSSION

P Called by God “to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ”, let us give rightful praise and honor to God, who calls sinners to repentance and bestows saving faith in our hearts by His Word and Spirit. Behold, the Lamb of God!

C **Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, mercifully hear our confession. We are sinners and have sinned against You. We have not loved You with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors with our whole heart. We cannot free ourselves from our sin. Hear our prayer of confession and let us hear Your call and gift of forgiveness, salvation, and life.**

ABSOLUTION

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C Amen.

“Softly And Tenderly”

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling,
Calling for you and for me.
See, on the portals He's waiting and watching,
Watching for you and for me.

Chorus

**Come home, come home;
you who are weary come home;
earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,
calling, O sinner, come home!**

Oh for the wonderful love He has promised,
Promised for you and for me.
Though we have sinned, He has mercy and pardon,
Pardon for you and for me. **(chorus)**

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

O God, You have called us and all who call upon You to be saints, called from the darkness of our sin to the light of holiness in You. By Your Word and Spirit, work in us true repentance and faith and the faithfulness and love that are ours in Christ Jesus, our Lord; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, 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 READING

Isaiah 49:1-7 (ESV)

¹Listen to Me, O coastlands,
and give attention, you peoples from afar.
The LORD called Me from the womb,
from the body of My mother He named My name.
²He made My mouth like a sharp sword;
in the shadow of His hand He hid Me;
He made Me a polished arrow;
in His quiver He hid Me away.
³And He said to me, “You are My servant,
Israel, in whom I will be glorified.”
⁴But I said, “I have labored in vain;
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;
yet surely my right is with the LORD,
and my recompense with my God.”

⁵And now the LORD says,

He who formed Me from the womb to be His servant,
to bring Jacob back to Him;
and that Israel might be gathered to Him—
for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD,
and My God has become My strength—

⁶He says:

“It is too light a thing that You should be My servant
to raise up the tribes of Jacob
and to bring back the preserved of Israel;
I will make You as a light for the nations,
that My salvation may reach to the end of the earth.”

⁷Thus says the LORD,

the Redeemer of Israel and His Holy One,
to One deeply despised, abhorred by the nation,
the Servant of rulers:
“Kings shall see and arise;
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves;
because of the LORD, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen You.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 1:1-9 (ESV)

¹Paul, called by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and our brother Sosthenes, ²To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: ³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵that in every way you were enriched in Him in all speech and all knowledge—⁶even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸Who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful, by Whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 1:29-42a (ESV)

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

²⁹The next day [John] saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God, Who takes away the sin of the world!

³⁰This is He of whom I said, ‘After me comes a Man who ranks before me, because He was before me.’ ³¹I myself did not know Him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that He might be revealed to Israel.” ³²And John bore witness: “I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on Him. ³³I myself did not know Him, but He who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is He who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ ³⁴And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God.” ³⁵The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶and he looked at Jesus as He walked by and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God!” ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them, “What are you seeking?” And they said to Him, “Rabbi” (which means Teacher), “where are You staying?” ³⁹He said to them, “Come and you will see.” So they came and saw where He was staying, and they stayed with Him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. ⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. ⁴¹He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which means Christ). ⁴²He brought him to Jesus.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.****PRAYER/LOVE IN ACTION REQUESTS GATHERED****“You Knit Me Together and Called Me by Name”**

(tune: Immortal, Invisible)

1 You knit me together and called me by name.
You loved me and formed me and crafted my frame.
You set works before me to glorify You.
You fill me with strength for the tasks I will do.

- 2 You take all my failings and work them for good.
You guide all my doings to serve as I should.
You grant me Your gifts as a blessing to all.
You promise to be any place that You call.
- 3 You use me to witness of Jesus, my Lord.
You teach me the words so Your name is adored.
You give me Your strength until all is revealed.
You stay by my side until time is repealed.

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SERMON
"THE WORD OF GOD TO YOU"

Pr. Herb Hoefer
1 Corinthians 1:1-9

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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.)

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.

We praise You, O Lord, for You declared that Jesus should not only redeem the tribes of Jacob, but made Him a light for all the nations. Fill our hearts with joy that He is the Savior of all, and grant that our voices may help spread Your salvation to the ends of the earth. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Heavenly Father, Your Son, Jesus Christ, summoned Andrew and Peter to follow Him and would later send them to bear witness to His name. Continue to call men into the holy ministry. Bless all who hold and study for that office, that they would grow in all godly wisdom and faithfully make known Your Word. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Almighty God, You faithfully watched over the tribes of Jacob, providing them both daily bread and redemption in abundant measure. Watch over the homes of Your people. Bless them with all that they need for this body and life, and preserve them in the glad confidence that Christ is their strength and their salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P O Lord, our God, through Your Holy Spirit You work in us to bring forth fruits of righteousness. Grant us a steadfast heart in times of duress, strength amid temptation and the grace of humility, that we may not fall victim to pride and arrogance. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Holy God, Your Son became the Lamb of God to take away all of our sins and infirmities by His death and resurrection. Remember all who are in need of Your help and healing... Deliver them according to Your merciful will, and preserve them in the certainty that their sins are taken away. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P 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,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Almighty God, heavenly Father, grant that we who have celebrated the incarnation of our Lord, Jesus Christ, may die to sin and rise to new life, that we may treasure up and ponder in our hearts the Christ announced by Your forerunner; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, 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.**

(11:00am service, please turn to page 15 for the benediction.)

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

**We believe in the real presence of the body and
blood of Christ in Holy Communion.**

Here our Lord offers to us the forgiveness of all our sins.

*(Grape juice is available in the center of the trays for those who do
not drink alcohol, and gluten-free wafers are available
on the cup return table.)*

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

+ DISTRIBUTION SONGS +

“Just as I Am, without One Plea”

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- 1 Just as I am, without one plea
But that Thy blood was shed for me
And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee,
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

- 2 Just as I am and waiting not
To rid my soul of one dark blot,
To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

- 3 Just as I am, though tossed about
With many_a conflict, many_a doubt,
Fightings and fears within, without,
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 4 Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
Sight, riches, healing of the mind,
Yea, all I need, in Thee to find,
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 5 Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because Thy promise I believe,
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 6 Just as I am; Thy love unknown
Has broken ev'ry barrier down;
Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

“Just as I Am, without One Plea”, Text: Charlotte Elliott, 1789–1871, Text: Public domain

“His Mercy Is More”

What love could remember no wrongs we have done?
Omniscient, all-knowing, He counts not their sum.
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore;
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.

What patience would wait as we constantly roam?
What Father, so tender, is calling us home?
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor.
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.

Chorus

**Praise the Lord! His mercy is more;
Stronger than darkness, new ev'ry morn.
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.
Praise the Lord! His mercy is more;
Stronger than darkness, new ev'ry morn.
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.**

What riches of kindness He lavished on us.
His blood was the payment, His life was the cost.
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford;
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more. **(chorus)**

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POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P Let us pray.

Lord God, You have called Your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go but only that Your hand is leading us and Your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless us and keep us.
The Lord make His face shine on us and be gracious to us.
The Lord look upon us with favor and give us peace.

C Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

"I Love To Tell The Story"

I love to tell the story Of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and His glory, Of Jesus and His love.
I love to tell the story Because I know 'tis true,
It satisfies my longings As nothing else can do.

Refrain

**I love to tell the story,
'Twill be my theme in glory,
To tell the old, old story
Of Jesus and His love.**

I love to tell the story, 'Tis pleasant to repeat
What seems, each time I tell it, More wonderfully sweet.
I love to tell the story, For some have never heard
The message of salvation From God's own holy Word. (**refrain**)

I love to tell the story, For those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting To hear it like the rest.
And when in scenes of glory I sing the new, new song,
'Twill be the old, old story That I have loved so long. (**refrain**)

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DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God!**

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*We are so grateful for the lovely Altar flowers
provided by Sheryl Maier in honor of Jan Hart's birthday
and family baptisms given to the glory of God.*

† YOUTH AND FAMILY NIGHT

The next Youth and Family Night is Friday, January 23 at 6:30pm.

† IRON MEN FELLOWSHIP

Real conversations. Real faith. Real brothers in Christ. We hope you'll join us and invite a friend! The next Iron Men will meet Saturday, January 24 at 8:00am in the Community Room.

† WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY CANCELED THIS MONTH

We will resume our Bible Study at 2:00pm on Tuesday, Feb. 10, 2026, with lesson 4. See you then!

† THANK YOU FROM CARRIE GRAHAM

Ascension Family, I want to Thank each one of you for the Christmas Gift. It warms my heart and soul to know that you wanted to share with me. Many Blessings and Good Health for each one of you in 2026. Know it was so Appreciated. Love, Carrie Graham

† PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

Regan, Diane, Ed and Ingrid (friends and neighbors of Cynthia Jacobsen), Barbara Lewis, Carlyn Staudt, Marla Graber, Joann Schulz, Chenery Whittier's son (Aaryan), Heather Gulde, Riki Neagle, Jim Eckart, Gina Kreps, Mae Smith, The family of Jerry Bangs, *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)
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)

ASSISTING IN SERVICE TODAY, SUN., JAN. 18, 2026

	8:30am	11:00am
Elder:	Dave Oswald	John Hazen
Ushers:	Duke Sheppard	Bob Freeman
	Bryant Sheppard	James Freeman
Audio/Visual:	Stan Chapulis	J. E. Knox
PowerPoint:	Debbie Rekdahl	Rosemary Knox
Greeters:	Sheryl Maier	Esperanza Gutierrez
		Margaret Hubbard
Readers:	Sheryl Maier	Caleb Zeebuyth
Altar Guild:	Both Services: Barb Cochran	
Flowers:	Both Services: Sheryl Maier	
Counters:	Both Services: Dave and Jan Oswald	
Sunday School:	Carrie and NEEDED – Unit 2, Lesson 4	

ASSISTING NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2026

	8:30am	11:00am
Elder:	Randy Bryant	Wyatt Brown
Ushers:	John Aden	Matthias McInaney
	Mike Adams	Paul Walter
Audio/Visual:	Stan Chapulis	John Hazen
PowerPoint:	Debbie Rekdahl	Alex Hodges
Greeters:	Nancy Thomas	Sue Lewis
Readers:	Rich Bartell	Randy Schroeder
Altar Guild:	Both Services: Karen Zahursky	
Flowers:	Both Services: The McInaney Family	
Counters:	Both Services: Bob and Elaina Ritchie	
Sunday School:	Hana and Gina – Unit 2, Lesson 4	

EVENTS THIS WEEK – SUN., JAN. 18–SAT., JAN. 24, 2026

Sunday, Jan. 18	8:30am	Worship w/ Communion
	9:45am	Adult Ed and Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship
	12:15pm	Bell Practice
	5:00pm	Spanish Worship
Monday, Jan. 19	11:30am	Altar Guild Meeting
	6:00pm	Young Adult Bible Study
Thursday, Jan. 22	6:00pm	Praise Team
	7:00pm	Choir Practice
Saturday, Jan. 24	8:00am	Iron Men Bible Study

EVENTS NEXT WEEK – SUN., JAN. 25–SAT., JAN. 31, 2026

Sunday, Jan. 25	8:30am	Worship
	9:45am	Adult Ed and Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship w/ Communion
	12:15pm	Bell Practice
	5:00pm	Spanish Worship
Monday, Jan. 26		Newsletter Items Are Due
	6:00pm	Young Adult Bible Study
Thursday, Jan 29	6:00pm	Praise Team
	7:00pm	Choir Practice

GENERAL FUND OFFERINGS

December General Fund Tithes	\$ 39,710.31
December Expenses	<u>\$ 50,300.79</u>
Difference	\$ (-10,590.48)
Year-to-Date General Fund Tithes *	\$ 189,716.06
Year-to-Date General Fund Expenses	<u>\$ 221,150.00</u>
Difference	\$ (- 31,433.94)

*Total Corrected from November totals

MILESTONES – Sunday, Jan. 18 through Sat., Jan. 24

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS:

Amy Haase	Jan. 21	Olive Sylvia	Jan. 24
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BIRTHDAYS:

Ethan Fogarty	Jan. 18	Neil Zeller	Jan. 18
George Maier	Jan. 19	Joe Cassetty	Jan. 20
Norka Soledad	Jan. 20	Marty Blankenburg	Jan. 24
Bob Freeman	Jan. 24		

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."

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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