



*Jesus answered.*

*“My kingdom  
is not  
of this  
world.”*

**JOHN 18:36, ESV**

**ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
“A Church for Families, a Family for Everyone”  
Sunday, November 24, 2024

## LAST SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR

**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: “The Clash of the Kingdoms”

**As We Gather:** The Last Sunday of the Church Year is about the last things, the day of judgment when Jesus Christ “will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,” Christ, “whose kingdom will have no end” (Nicene Creed). The last Sunday is therefore known as the Sunday of fulfillment, when all the plans and promises of God’s salvation break forth in the resurrection of all flesh and eternal life in the new heavens and earth. This year we hear the Readings appointed for what some churches call Christ the King Sunday.

With the vision of the prophet Daniel, we are given a fascinating “apocalyptic” revelation. As such, we are cautioned against overinterpreting the symbolism of the four beasts, fiery flames, burning wheels, and the like. The clear point is that God Himself is Lord, king, and ruler over all the nations of the earth. The four nations of Daniel chapter 7 are progressively more evil than the ones before: Babylon, Medo-Persian, Greek, and Roman empires. Not all earthly kingdoms or nations are evil, of course. Yet evil and the devil’s madness appear here and there everywhere. Christ is the king not only over all the ancient nations of the world but also over our own! With great and glad celebration, therefore, we gather to rejoice over our assurance that Jesus Christ, the King of kings, rules ultimately over all things, always for our good, our healing, our salvation, and our destiny in the day of resurrection.

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME

### Lord, I Lift Your Name On High

Lord, I lift Your name on high. Lord, I love to sing Your praises.  
I’m so glad You’re in my life; I’m so glad You came to save us.

You came from Heaven to earth to show the way.  
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay.  
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky;  
Lord, I lift Your name on high.

(repeat from beginning)

## He Is Exalted

He is exalted, The King is exalted on high; I will praise Him.  
He is exalted, forever exalted, and I will praise His name.  
He is the Lord, forever His truth shall reign;  
Heaven and earth, rejoice in His holy name.  
He is exalted, the King is exalted on high.

*(repeat from beginning)*

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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 93:1; 95:6

- P** The LORD reigns; He is robed in majesty;  
**C** the LORD is robed; He has put on strength as His belt.
- P** Oh come, let us worship and bow down;  
**C** let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

John 18:37

- P** Jesus said, “Everyone who is of the truth listens to My voice.”  
Today we kneel humbly before Him, our king, confessing the truth that we have sinned against our creator’s clear commands. Let us make our heartfelt petition for mercy, forgiveness, and salvation.
- C** Most merciful Lord, whose majesty has been shown to all nations by Your triumph over all sin and death on Your glorious cross, from Your exalted throne at the right hand of the Father You live and reign over all creation. Receive our humble plea for mercy, life, and forgiveness of our sin, and grant to us Your grace by speaking Your liberating word of truth.
- P** Upon this, your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of 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 ✠ 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 Jesus Christ, so govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your glorious return, we may persevere in both faith and holiness of living; for You live and reign with the Father 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

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 (ESV)

<sup>9</sup>As I looked, thrones were placed, and the Ancient of days took His seat; His clothing was white as snow, and the hair of His head like pure wool; His throne was fiery flames; its wheels were burning fire.

<sup>10</sup>A stream of fire issued and came out from before Him; a thousand thousands served Him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before Him; the court sat in judgment, and the books were opened...

<sup>13</sup>I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a Son of Man, and He came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before Him. <sup>14</sup>And to Him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve Him; His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and His kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## NEW TESTAMENT READING

Revelation 1:4b-8 (ESV)

<sup>4b</sup> Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before His throne, <sup>5</sup>and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth. To Him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by His blood <sup>6</sup>and made us a kingdom, priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. <sup>7</sup>Behold, He is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see Him, even those who pierced Him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of Him. Even so. Amen. <sup>8</sup>“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## LAMBS' LESSON

Pr. Jim Sprengle

## HOLY GOSPEL

John 18:33-37 (ESV)

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

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

<sup>33</sup>Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to Him, “Are You the King of the Jews?” <sup>34</sup>Jesus answered, “Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about Me?”

<sup>35</sup>Pilate answered, “Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered You over to me. What have You done?”

<sup>36</sup>Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not of this world. If My kingdom were of this world, My servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But My kingdom is not from the world.” <sup>37</sup>Then Pilate said to Him, “So You are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to My voice.”

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

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

## PRAYER AND LOVE IN ACTION REQUESTS GATHERED

## King Of Kings

In the darkness we were waiting Without hope, without light,  
Till from Heaven You came running--There was mercy in Your eyes;  
To fulfill the law and prophets, To a virgin came the Word;  
From a throne of endless glory, To a cradle in the dirt.

### (Chorus)

**Praise the Father, Praise the Son, Praise the Spirit, three in one.  
God of Glory, Majesty, Praise forever to the King of kings.**

To reveal the kingdom coming And to reconcile the lost,  
To redeem the whole creation, You did not despise the cross;  
For even in Your suffering You saw to the other side,  
Knowing this was our salvation, Jesus, for our sake, You died. **(chorus)**

And the morning that You rose All of heaven held its breath,  
Till that stone was moved for good, For the Lamb had conquered death.  
And the dead rose from their tombs And the angels stood in awe  
For the souls of all who'd come To the Father are restored,

And the Church of Christ was born, Then the Spirit lit the flame.  
Now this Gospel truth of old Shall not kneel, shall not faint.  
By His blood and in His Name, In His freedom, I am free,  
For the love of Jesus Christ Who has resurrected me. **(chorus 2x)**

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## SERMON

“THE TRUE KING”

Pr. Jim Sprenkle

John 18:33-37

## CREED

- P** Let us confess together the Second Article of the Apostles' Creed.
- C** **I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.**
- P** Lord Jesus, as Peter declared, so we declare, “You are the Messiah, sent from God!”
- C** **He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**P** Jesus, You are Son of Man and Son of God, fully human and fully Divine.

**C** **He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.**

**P** Precious Lord, even as You predicted Your terrible death, so it came to pass. You are the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

**C** **He descended into hell.**

**P** In our place, Jesus, You were made sin, and for a terrible, excruciating time You were forsaken by the Father.

**C** **On the third day He rose again. He ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**P** You are the Resurrection and the Life!

**C** **He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**P** You are King of kings and Lord of lords. We await the day of Your coming!

**C** **Thank You for the cross, Lord Jesus. By Your death we have eternal life. You are the Messiah, sent from God! 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.

Almighty and eternal God, Lord and king of all creation, we give You thanks for all of Your blessings You have given to all beyond any worthiness or merit of our own. We praise You especially for Your holy church throughout the world of all ages, for preserving Your Word and Sacraments and providing faithful pastors to preach and administer Your grace. Keep them in purity of doctrine and all Your people in confident faith. Protect us in any tribulation or danger, and strengthen our hope in Your faithfulness. Lord, in Your mercy,

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



**P** Lord of the nations, grant that Your grace guide and protect all who are in authority, especially in our own country. Keep all people in safety by means of Your gifts of mercy and truth, righteousness and peace. Defend all who labor and grant that all may grow in useful knowledge that we may live in freedom. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

**P** Eternal Lord, we remember with thanksgiving all who have loved and served You who now rest from their labors. Keep us in fellowship with all Your saints and bring us at last to the joys of Your heavenly kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

**P** Loving and merciful Father, comfort all who are in any trouble, want, sickness, or any other adversity... Show us Your mercy that we may live our days in safety and health. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

**P** Lord of all grace and blessing, we thank You for these joys and gifts You have bestowed upon Your children...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.**

**(8:30am service, please turn to page 12 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

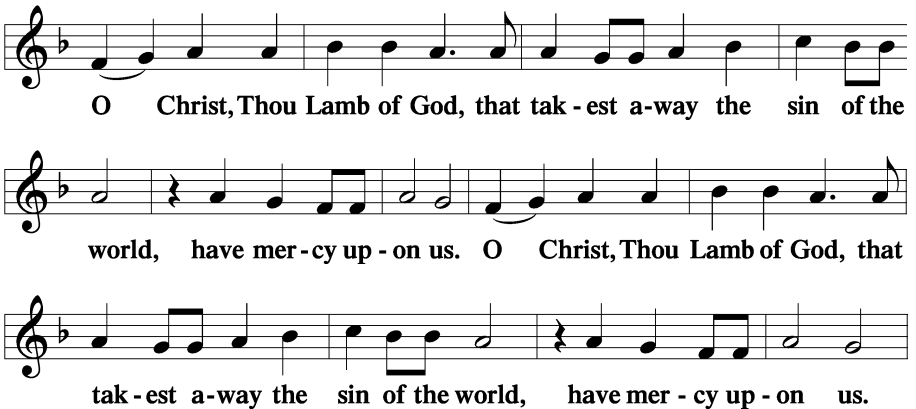
#### PEACE OF THE LORD

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

## + DISTRIBUTION HYMNS +

### Agnus Dei ~ Lamb Of God



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the  
world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that  
tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the  
world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

## Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

LSB 621

- 1 Let all mortal flesh keep silence  
And with fear and trembling stand;  
Ponder nothing earthly-minded,  
For with blessing in His hand  
Christ our God to earth descending  
Comes our homage to demand.
- 2 King of kings yet born of Mary,  
As of old on earth He stood,  
Lord of lords in human vesture,  
In the body and the blood,  
He will give to all the faithful  
His own self for heav'nly food.
- 3 Rank on rank the host of heaven  
Spreads its vanguard on the way  
As the Light of Light, descending  
From the realms of endless day,  
Comes the pow'rs of hell to vanquish  
As the darkness clears away.
- 4 At His feet the six-winged seraph,  
Cherubim with sleepless eye,  
Veil their faces to the presence  
As with ceaseless voice they cry:  
"Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, Lord Most High!"

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence, Text: Liturgy of St. James, 5th cent.; tr. Gerard Moultrie, 1829–85, alt.,  
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- 1 Beautiful Savior, King of creation,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Truly I'd love Thee, Truly I'd serve Thee,  
Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
- 2 Fair are the meadows, Fair are the woodlands,  
Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,  
He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.
- 3 Fair is the sunshine, Fair is the moonlight,  
Bright the sparkling stars on high;  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer  
Than all the angels in the sky.
- 4 Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, Praise, adoration  
Now and forevermore be Thine!

Beautiful Savior, Text: Münsterisch Gesangbuch, 1677, Münster; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823–1904, Text: Public domain

## POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

**P** Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

**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  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.

**C** Amen.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

### Crown Him with Many Crowns

LSB 525

- 1 Crown Him with many crowns,  
The Lamb upon His throne;  
Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns  
All music but its own.  
Awake, my soul, and sing  
Of Him who died for thee,  
And hail Him as thy matchless king  
Through all eternity.
  
- 3 Crown Him the Lord of love.  
Behold His hands and side,  
Rich wounds, yet visible above,  
In beauty glorified.  
No angels in the sky  
Can fully bear that sight,  
But downward bend their wond'ring eyes  
At mysteries so bright.
  
- 4 Crown Him the Lord of life,  
Who triumphed o'er the grave  
And rose victorious in the strife  
For those He came to save.  
His glories now we sing,  
Who died and rose on high,  
Who died eternal life to bring  
And lives that death may die.
  
- 5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n,  
Enthroned in worlds above,  
Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n  
The wondrous name of Love.  
Crown Him with many crowns  
As thrones before Him fall;  
Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns,  
For He is king of all.

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## DISMISSAL

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

**C** Thanks be to God!

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*Thanks to John and Wendy Hazen for the lovely Altar flowers,  
in honor of Josh's birthday to the glory of God.*

**† THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP**

The Human Care Board is encouraging everyone to gather non-perishable food, 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 3 through Sunday, November 24. Fill a bag and bring it to the Thanksgiving Eve service Nov. 27 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.

**† BUY YOUR WREATH TODAY**

We will be selling Christmas greenery once again! Items for sale include 22" wreaths and 21" crosses. Look for order forms on white board in the narthex. You may order until December 1. Remember friends and relatives when ordering, we also have extra order forms for you to give people you think might want to purchase! Payment is due at the time of your order. Wreath pick-up is Saturday, Dec. 7. Times and details to come.

**† FROM THE HUMAN CARE BOARD**

We will fill Christmas stockings for the adults at my Father's House. We'll ask for monetary donations to purchase the items for the stockings in the Narthex after services on December 1, 8, 15 and 22. Thank you in advance for continuing to support My Father's House.

**† LWML CHRISTMAS GATHERING**

You are invited to join your LWML Sisters-in-Christ for a Christmas Gathering here in Ascension's Community Room on December 7th from 10am to noon. More information is posted on the LWML Bulletin Board and near your Church Mailboxes.

**† OUTREACH HOT CHOCOLATE AND DONUTS!**

On Saturday, Dec. 14 the Outreach Board will be handing out hot chocolate, donuts and invites to the holiday services in the parking lot to community members between 9:00 and 11:00am! For more information or to volunteer to help call or email Cindy Reinert.

## † 2025 FLOWER CHART

The 2025 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!

## † CHRISTMAS CHORAL INVITATION

For over 60 years the Concordia Christmas Chorale was a fixture in the Christmas season for hundreds of people. Concordia is gone, but the Chorale lives on. Alumni and friends of Concordia will gather to sing praise to the Incarnate Christ and rejoice in the birth of Jesus at 2pm on Sun. Dec. 15 at St. Michael's, 6700 NE 29th Ave, Portland.

Would you like to sing? You do not have to be an alumna or alumnus to participate, any friend of Concordia is welcome to join the chorus that afternoon. If you would like more information, you can email Bill Kuhn at [bkuhn@stmikeslutheran.org](mailto:bkuhn@stmikeslutheran.org). The music for singers can be found here: <https://stmikeslutheran.org/music-files-for-chorale/>

## † THANK YOU FROM CAROL HOEFER

My heart overflows with love and gratitude for the many kind messages I have received from you both directly and through Herb. My heartfelt thanks to you for your prayers. My life is in God's Hands. Carol Hoefer

## † JOIN US FOR CHRISTMAS CAROLING!

All are welcome to join in our annual afternoon of Christmas caroling on Sunday, Dec. 22. We will gather in the church narthex around 12:30pm and will finish by 5:00pm. If you can only join us for a portion of that time, that's fine too! It will be helpful to know ahead of time who will be attending, so please call/text Brad Hall (503-201-2129) or leave him a note in mailbox 42. This event is always a meaningful and memorable opportunity to share the hope and joy of Jesus, the REASON for the SEASON!

## † PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

Sue Lewis and her family, Barb Cochran and her family, Pastor Ruberto and his family, Carolyn Gordon, Mike Fogarty, Karla Deal, The family of Bob Rekdahl, Jan Galberth, Jim Eckart, Gina Kreps, Herb and Carol Hoefer, Mae Smith, Ed Hubbard, Alma Bangs, Marcia Bryant's relative (Ron), Kaye Beaulieu's Brother (Dick), Virginia Jacob's brother (Robert), Esperanza Gutierrez' mother (Antonia), \*Barbara Schrader, \*Larry Hart, \*Mel and Lorraine Haggard. \*Home Bound.



## † PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY

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

Michael Williamson, Air Force, Reserve, Texas (grandson of Rebecca Williamson);

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

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

Colton Wright, Navy – (grandson of Virginia Jacobs);

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

Bradley Zeller, Army – Fort Lewis WA (grandson of Neil and Deb Zeller)

Kyle Zeller, Army – Ft. Hood TX (grandson of Neil and Deb Zeller)

## † PRAYER NEEDS?

Did you know you can send the office your prayer request written exactly how you want, and it will be forwarded to the prayer chain?

You may also just let the office know your request and Michele will word the request for you. Either one is fine. Please e-mail: office@alcportland.org or call 503-665-8821.

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## ASSISTING IN SERVICE TODAY, SUN., NOV. 24, 2024

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	8:30am	11:00am
<b>Elder:</b>	Randy Bryant	Bob Ritchie
<b>Acolytes:</b>	<b>NEEDED</b>	<b>NEEDED</b>
<b>Ushers:</b>	Jim Eckart <b>NEEDED</b>	Eric Kreps Evan Kreps Marcus Young Matthias McInaney
<b>Audio/Visual:</b>	Stan Chapulis	Laura Potter
<b>PowerPoint:</b>	Debbie Rekdahl	Rebecca Williamson
<b>Greeters:</b>	Nancy Thomas	Carie Graham
<b>Readers:</b>	Jim Eckart	Bonnie Webber
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	Both Services: Debbie Rekdahl	
<b>Flowers:</b>	Both Services: John and Wendy Hazen	
<b>Counters:</b>	Both Services: Karon Keup and Sheryl Maier	
<b>Sunday School</b>	9:45am: Carrie and Michele - Episode 13	

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## THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP, WED., NOV. 27, 2024

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**7:00pm**

**Elder:** Randy Schroeder  
**Ushers:** Stan Chapulis  
**Audio/Visual:** J. E. Knox  
**PowerPoint:** Rosemary Knox  
**Greeters:** **NEEDED**  
**Altar Guild:** All Altar Guild  
**Counters:** Dave and Jan Oswald

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## ASSISTING IN SERVICE NEXT, SUN., DEC. 1, 2024

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**8:30am**

**Elder:** Randy Schroeder  
**Acolytes:** **NEEDED**  
**Ushers:** Mike Adams  
John Aden  
**NEEDED**  
**NEEDED**

**11:00am**

Herb Hoefler  
**NEEDED**  
Marcus Young  
Neil Zeller

**Audio/Visual:** Stan Chapulis **NEEDED**  
**PowerPoint:** Debbie Rekdahl John Hazen  
**Greeters:** Margo Bachhuber Riki Neagle  
Elizabeth Alvarado  
**Readers:** Susan Rotramel J. E. Knox  
**Altar Guild:** Both Services: Wendy Hazen  
**Flowers:** Both Services: Wilma Aguilar  
**Counters:** Both Services: Bob and Elaina Ritchie  
**Sunday School** 9:45am: Carrie and Michele – Vol. 7 Ep. 2

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## EVENTS THIS WEEK – SUN., NOV. 24 – SAT., NOV. 30

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**Sunday, Nov. 24**      8:30am    Worship  
                                 9:45am    Adult Ed and Sunday School  
                                 11:00am    Worship with Communion  
                                 12:15pm    Bell Practice  
                                 5:00pm    Spanish Worship w/ Communion  
**Monday, Nov. 25**      1:00pm    Altar guild Meeting  
                                 **NEWSLETTER ITEMS DUE**

<b>Wednesday, Nov. 27</b>	2:00pm	Crafting Get-Together
	5:30pm	Choir Practice
	7:00pm	Thanksgiving Eve Service
<b>Thursday, Nov. 28</b>	<b>Office Closed for Thanksgiving</b>	
<b>Friday, Nov. 29</b>	6:30pm	Noche Familiar
	7:00pm	Youth Group

**EVENTS NEXT WEEK – SUN., DEC. 1 – SAT., DEC. 7**

<b>Sunday, Dec. 1</b>	8:30am	Worship with Communion
ADVENT 1	9:45am	Adult Ed and Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship
	12:15pm	Bell Practice
	5:00pm	Spanish Worship
<b>Monday, Dec. 2</b>	1:00pm	Altar guild Meeting
<b>Tuesday, Dec. 3</b>	6:00pm	Elder Meeting
<b>Wednesday, Dec. 4</b>	2:00pm	Crafting Get-Together
	3:30pm	Advent 1 Midweek Early
	7:00pm	Advent 1 Midweek Late
<b>Thursday, Dec. 5</b>	6:00pm	Praise Team Rehearsal
	7:00pm	Choir Practice
<b>Friday, Dec. 6</b>	6:30pm	Noche Familiar
	7:00pm	Youth Group
<b>Saturday, Dec. 7</b>	10:00am	LWML Christmas Party

**† MILESTONES – Sunday, Nov. 24– Saturday, Nov. 30**

**BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS:**

Wyatt Brown	Nov. 25	Ava Wentela	Nov. 30
Natalie Wentela	Nov. 30		

**BIRTHDAYS:**

Rebecca Williamson	Nov. 25	Sasha Harris	Nov. 27
Heidi Lavadores	Nov. 28		

**WEDDINGS:**

Joe and Wanda Cassetty	Nov. 24, 1990
Dave and Jan Oswald	Nov. 29, 1975

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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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