



# *Confirmation*

Ascension Lutheran Church  
Confirmation ~ May 28, 2023

## THE DAY OF PENTECOST – CONFIRMATION

Sunday, May 28, 2023

**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 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month, and at the 11:00 service on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays.

**For those wishing to commune at the Lord's 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 Lord's Supper implies a four-level commitment to Christ. We believe that communicants must: (1) be baptized Christians; (2) accept the real presence of Christ's body in the bread and His blood in the wine; (3) confess and repent of one's 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 comulgar 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: “Jesus’ Work Continues through His Spirit”

**As We Gather:** The messenger may change; the message remains the same. When Jesus is the sum and focus of the messenger who stands before you this day, the message is Jesus Himself. Pentecost proves this. The power of Pentecost, as we will see in Acts 2, is not the persuasiveness of Peter and the other disciples. No, the power of Pentecost is the Spirit of the message: Jesus Christ Himself. Working through the Spirit whom He poured out upon the lives of His followers, Jesus equips those who carry His message into all the world. These are the messengers who spread the Good News of the One who was crucified for us, who rose again, who reigns on high, and who will one day return in His full glory. Listen to His message today as the Spirit brings it to you and be assured that as you are called to faith in Christ, you receive the fullness of who He’s called you to be.

### PRELUDE – *PRELUDIO*

### WELCOME – *BIENVENDIO*

### SONG – *CANTO*     **“All to Jesus I Surrender”**                                   **“*Todo A Cristo Yo Me Rindo*”**

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### INVOCATION – *INVOCACIÓN*

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

### OPENING SENTENCES – *FRASES INICIALES*

*Genesis 11:7; Acts 2:7a, 8, 17a, 21*

- P** And the LORD said, “Come, let Us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another’s speech.”
- C** They were amazed and astonished, saying, “How is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language?”

- P** In the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh,  
**C** and it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS – CONFESIÓN Y PERDÓN**

- P** The Holy Spirit has worked faith in our hearts so that we may hear the good news about our Savior, but our sins are always before us. Let us therefore confess our sins to God our Father.  
**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We are helpless to amend our sinful lives without You, gracious God. For Jesus' sake, forgive us, renew our faith, and turn our feet to paths pleasing to You.**
- P** In Christ Jesus, you and I receive the fullness of who we are called to be through the Spirit who has been given to us. United with Christ through our Baptism, the Spirit who claims us as the Father's own now delivers to us the message of His mercy. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, commissioned by His Spirit, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** **Amen.**

## **SALUTATION – SALUDO**

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** **And also with you.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY – ORACIÓN DEL DÍA**

- P** Let us pray.  
O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant to us the same Spirit who delivers to us the fullness of who we are in Christ; 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.**

**SHARING THE PEACE OF THE LORD –  
COMPARTIR LA PAZ DEL SEÑOR**

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you all.  
**C** And also with you.

**CONFIRMANDS FAITH STATEMENTS  
TESTIMONIOS DE LOS CONFIRMANDOS**

**Alexandra Lynn Hodges**

My sheep listen to My voice; I know them, and they follow Me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of My hand. (John 10:27-28 NIV)

**Louisa Nicole Johnson**

Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours. And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive him, so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins. (Mark 11:24-25 NIV)

**Giselle Anely Lavadores Hernandez**

For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16 NIV)

**Heidi Jasmin Lavadores Hernandez**

Surely He took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered Him stricken by God, smitten by Him, and afflicted. But He was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon Him, and by His wounds we are healed. (Isaiah 53:4-5 NIV)

**Jaden Mundo**

I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. (John 14:6 ESV)

**✠ THE WORD – LA PALABRA ✠**

**FIRST READING**

**Acts 2:1–21 (ESV)**

**PRIMERO LECTURA**

**Hechos 2:1–21**

- A** <sup>1</sup> When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup> And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind,

and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup> And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. <sup>4</sup> And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. <sup>5</sup> Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. <sup>6</sup> And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. <sup>7</sup> And they were amazed and astonished, saying,

**C** “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language?

*(readers) <sup>9</sup>Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, <sup>11</sup>both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.”*

**A** <sup>12</sup> And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another,

**C** “What does this mean?”

**A** <sup>13</sup> But others mocking said,

**C** “They are filled with new wine.”

**A** <sup>14</sup> But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. <sup>15</sup> For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. <sup>16</sup> But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel: <sup>17</sup> “And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; <sup>18</sup> even on My male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out My Spirit, and they shall prophesy. <sup>19</sup> And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; <sup>20</sup> the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. <sup>21</sup> And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

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

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

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

<sup>37</sup>On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, “If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. <sup>38</sup>Whoever believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, ‘Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.’” <sup>39</sup>Now this He said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

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

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

**SONG – CANTO** “Take My Life And Let It Be”  
“*Toma Mi Vida Y Déjala Ser*”

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**Sermon – SERMÓN**  
“**SPOTLIGHT**”

*Pr. Jim Sprenkle*  
*John 7:37–39 | Juan 7:37–39*

### **THE APOSTLES’ CREED – EL Credo Apostolico**

I believe in God, the Father  
Almighty, maker of heaven and  
earth.

*Creo en Dios Padre*  
*todopoderoso Creador del cielo y*  
*de la tierra;*

And in Jesus Christ, His only  
Son, our Lord, who was  
conceived by the Holy Spirit, born  
of the virgin Mary, suffered under  
Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died  
and was buried. He descended  
into hell.

*Y en Jesucristo, su único Hijo,*  
*nuestro Señor que fue concebido*  
*bajo la obra del Espíritu Santo,*  
*nació de la virgen María; padeció*  
*bajo poder de Poncio Pilato; Fue*  
*crucificado, muerto y sepultado;*  
*descendió al infierno;*

The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

*al tercer día resucitó de entre los muertos; Subió a los cielos y está sentado a la diestra de Dios Padre todopoderoso; y desde allí ha de venir a juzgar a los vivos y a los muertos.*

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Creo en el Espíritu Santo; La santa iglesia cristiana, La comunión de los santos, El perdón de los pecados; La resurrección de la carne Y la vida eterna. Amén.*

**TITHES AND OFFERINGS – DIEZMOS Y OFRENDAS**

*(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)*

**THE RITE OF  
✠ CONFIRMATION ✠**

**P** These young Christians, presenting themselves for the Rite of Confirmation, have been instructed in the Word of God: the Ten Commandments, the Apostles’ Creed, the Lord’s Prayer, Holy Baptism, Confession, and the Lord’s Supper. They know that God has given them forgiveness of sins in Holy Baptism, and they also know what God desires of His followers. As baptized children of God and members of the body of Christ, they are prepared to confess, as their own, the Christian faith and take their place as communicant members in the fellowship of believers. They now express their faith in the Triune God by answering these questions:

**THE RITO DE  
✠ CONFIRMACIÓN ✠**

**P** Estos jóvenes cristianos, presentándose para el Rito de Confirmación, han sido instruidos en la Palabra de Dios: los Diez Mandamientos, el Credo de los Apóstoles, el Padrenuestro, el Bautismo, la Confesión y la Cena del Señor. Saben que Dios les ha dado el perdón de los pecados en el Santo Bautismo, y también saben lo que Dios desea de Sus seguidores. Como hijos bautizados de Dios y miembros del cuerpo de Cristo, están preparados para confesar, como suyos, la fe cristiana, y tomar su lugar como miembros comunicantes en la familia de los creyentes. Ahora expresan su fe en el Dios Triuno, respondiendo a estas preguntas:



**P** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?

**R** **YES, I believe in God, the Father Almighty.**

**P** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son?

**R** **YES, I believe in Jesus Christ His only Son.**

**P** Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**R** **YES, I believe in the Holy Spirit.**

**P** Do you believe and accept that the entire Bible, both Old Testament and New Testament, is the inspired Word of God?

**R** **I DO.**

**P** Do you confess and accept the doctrine of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod as taken from the Bible as you have learned to know it from Luther's Small Catechism to be faithful and true?

**R** **I DO.**

**P** Do you intend to faithfully continue in this confession and Church, and would you give up all, even your very life, rather than fall away from your Lord?

**R** **YES, with the help of God.**

**P** Do you believe that in Holy Baptism God has accepted you as His own?

**R** **I do believe.**

**P** ¿Crees en Dios, el Padre Todopoderoso?

**R** **Sí, creo en Dios, el Padre Todopoderoso.**

**P** ¿Crees en Jesucristo, su único hijo?

**R** **Sí, creo en Jesucristo su único Hijo.**

**P** ¿Crees en el Espíritu Santo?

**R** **Sí, creo en el Espíritu Santo.**

**P** ¿Crees y aceptas que toda la Biblia, tanto el Antiguo Testamento como el Nuevo Testamento, es la inspirada Palabra de Dios?

**R** **Sí, los acepto.**

**P** ¿Confiesas y aceptas como fiel y verdadera la doctrina de la Iglesia Luterana-Sínodo de Missouri como tomada de la Biblia, como has aprendido a conocerla desde el Catecismo Menor de Lutero?

**R** **Sí, la acepto.**

**P** ¿Tienes la intención de continuar fielmente en esta confesión y en la Iglesia, y renunciarías a todo, incluso a tu propia vida, en lugar de abandonar a tu Señor?

**R** **Sí, con la ayuda de Dios.**

**P** ¿Crees que en el Santo Bautismo Dios te ha aceptado como suyo?

**R** **Sí, lo creo.**

**P** Do you desire to share in the Lord's Supper with us because in it Christ Jesus comes to you, forgives your sins, and strengthens you to trust Him and to love one another?

**R** **I do desire the Lord's Supper.**

**P** You are about to be admitted into the communing membership of this congregation. God and we invite you to come regularly and frequently to corporate worship in God's house. God and we desire you to continue your study in God's Word so that you may better understand and live the Christian faith. You will want to come to the Lord's Supper often realizing what God has promised to give you in this sacrament.

All this will help you to live as God desires His people to live. Therefore, I ask you: Do you promise to commit to regular and frequent worship, Bible study, and Holy Communion attendance, knowing that God will help you?

**R** **I do promise with the help of God.**

**P** Do you desire to be a communicant member of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod and Ascension Lutheran Congregation?

**R** **I do so desire.**

**P** ¿Deseas compartir con nosotros la Santa Cena porque en ella Cristo Jesús viene a ti, perdona tus pecados y te fortalece para confiar en Él y para amarse unos a otros?

**R** **Sí, deseo la Santa Cena del Señor.**

**P** Usted está a punto de ser admitido como miembro comulgante de esta congregación. Dios y nosotros te invitamos a que vengas regularmente y con frecuencia a los servicios de adoración en la casa de Dios. Dios y nosotros deseamos que sigas estudiando la Palabra de Dios para que puedas entender mejor y vivir la fe cristiana. Querrás venir a la Santa Cena a menudo, dándose cuenta de lo que Dios ha prometido darte en este sacramento.

Todo esto te ayudará a vivir como Dios desea que su pueblo viva. Por lo tanto, te pregunto: ¿Prometes comprometerte a la adoración regular y frecuente, al estudio de la Biblia y la asistencia a la Santa Cena, sabiendo que Dios te ayudará?

**R** **Así prometo con la ayuda de Dios.**

**P** Deseas ser un miembro comulgante de la Iglesia Luterana-Sínodo de Missouri y de la Congregación Luterana de la Ascensión?

**R** **Así deseo.**

**THE SOLEMN VOW OF THE PARENTS:**

*(Parents rise)*

**P** Your children, who have made these promises, need your continued guidance and support. Therefore, I ask you: Will you continue to guide and direct, support and encourage your child in word, in deed, and in example?

**R** **YES, with the help of God.**

**THE SOLEMN VOW OF THE CONGREGATION**

*(All worshippers rise)*

**P** The promises made by these Confirmands and parents are difficult to fulfill. They need God's help and our encouragement and prayers.

Do you this day give your promise before God to these Christians, to help them fulfill their promises to the Lord?

**C** **WE DO, with the help of God.**

**THE BLESSING OF THE CONFIRMANDS**

**EL VOTO SOLEMNE DE LOS PADRES:**

*(Los padres se levantan)*

**P** Sus hijos, que han hecho estas promesas, necesitan su dirección y apoyo continuos. Por lo tanto, les pregunto: ¿ Seguirán guiando y dirigiendo, apoyando y alentando a sus hijos en palabras, hechos y ejemplos?

**R** **Sí, con la ayuda de Dios.**

**EL VOTO SOLEMNE DE LA CONGREGACIÓN**

*(Todos se levantan)*

**P** Las promesas hechas por estos confirmados y padres son difíciles de cumplir. Ellos necesitan la ayuda de Dios y nuestro apoyo y oraciones.

¿Ustedes dan su promesa hoy día ante Dios a estos cristianos, para ayudarles a cumplir sus promesas al Señor?

**C** **Sí lo hacemos, con la ayuda de Dios.**

**LA BENDICIÓN DE LOS CONFIRMADOS**

**SPECIAL MUSIC – MÚSICA ESPECIAL**

**“I Am a Child of God”**

**Mark Shepperd  
Ascension Choir**

*I am a child of God. Loved by the Savior, Made by the Father,  
Loved by the Savior, Born of the Spirit, Graced with His favor.  
I am a child of God; That is who I am.*

*I am the Shepherd's lamb, Into green pastures,  
Gently He leads me, Guarding, protecting, richly He feeds me.  
I am a child of God; That is who I am.*

*I am a precious jewel. Jesus has found me; I am His treasure.  
His mark is on me; I bring Him pleasure.  
I am a child of God; That is who I am.*

*I am a child of God, Safe in His fam'ly, Washed and forgiven,  
Home with His people, Here and in heaven,  
I am a child of God; That is who I am.*

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH – ORACIÓN DE LA IGLESIA**

**P** Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful,  
**C** and kindle in them the fire of Your love.

**P** Confident in Christ our Savior and in the promised intercession of the Holy Spirit, let us lift up our hearts and voices in prayer to our Father above. Faithful Lord, Your mercies are new every morning. Even when we stray from Your presence through disobedience to Your commands, You reconcile and restore us through the Spirit of the message, who is Christ Himself, our hope of glory.

**C** Give us the fullness of Your Spirit.

**P** Redeeming Savior, You prepare a place for us in Your Father's kingdom and promise to all who trust in You the inheritance of life forever in Your presence. Help us with our hearts to believe and with our mouths to confess Your saving name.

**C** Give us the fullness of Your Spirit.

**P** Sanctifying Spirit, You fill the lives of all who trust in Jesus. Grant restoration and peace to those who are broken in heart and mind, body and soul. Grant that each one of us find refreshment in Your presence. Open our eyes to the needs of our neighbors, for in them we see You and, in serving them, we give our service to You.

**C** Give us the fullness of Your Spirit.

**P** Sovereign King, You are Lord of all things in heaven and on earth. Watch over the community, the state, and the nation in which we live, guiding all public servants to act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with You as their God. Enable us to dwell in security and peace, giving witness to the message of Christ with both boldness and gentleness so that those who have yet to receive You as their Savior may be brought to saving faith.

(A prayer for our confirmands)

**P** Heavenly Father, we raise our confirmands to You this day. We rejoice in their faith journey and ask You to be their guide, guardian, and help. Let them feel the love of their church family as they begin a new chapter in their lives. Reveal to them Your plan – Your good, perfect, and pleasing will – for their lives. Surround them with Your Holy Spirit, and may Your Word, Jesus, be the rock on which they stand that others may see and know Him through their lives.

**C** **Give us the fullness of Your Spirit.**

**P** Great Physician, You give healing to those who cry to You for mercy. Today we lift up before You...Whatever issues we may be facing, help us to look to You and remember that in Christ alone we receive the fullness of who we are called to be.

**C** **Give us the fullness of Your Spirit.**

**P** Gracious Lord, we give You thanks for all the blessings being celebrated this week...Lord, we pray,

**C** **Give us the fullness of Your Spirit.**

**P** Receiving the fullness of Your Spirit and offering these prayers to You, O gracious Lord, we trust that You hear and answer us according to Your good and gracious will.

**C** **In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER – *EL PADRE NUESTRO*

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.

*Padre nuestro que estás en los cielos Santificado sea tu nombre. Venga a nosotros tu reino. Hágase tu voluntad, así en la tierra como en el cielo. El pan nuestro de cada día dánoslo hoy; y perdona nuestras deudas, así como nosotros perdonamos a nuestros deudores; y no nos dejes caer en la tentación, más líbranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, el poder y la gloria Por los siglos de los siglos. Amén.*

## ✠ HOLY COMMUNION – LA SANTA CENA ✠

### PREFACE – *PREFACIO*

- P** The Lord be with you.                      **P** *El Señor sea con ustedes.*  
**C** And also with you.                      **C** *Y contigo también.*
- P** Lift up your hearts.                      **P** *Eleven sus corazones.*  
**C** We lift them to the Lord.              **C** *Los elevamos al Señor.*
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**C** It is right to give him thanks and praise.
- P** *Démosle gracias al Señor nuestro Dios.*  
**C** *Darle gracias es digno y justo.*

### THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION – *LAS PALABRAS DE INSTITUCIÓN*

#### PAX DOMINI

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**C** Amen.
- P** *La paz del Señor sea con ustedes siempre.*  
**C** *Amen.*

### DISTRIBUTION HYMNS – *HIMNOS DE DISTRIBUCIÓN*

#### “Spirit Of The Living God”

Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me.  
Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me.  
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.  
Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me.

Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me.  
Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me.  
Cleanse me, teach me, hold me, reach me.  
Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me.

Holy presence, love divine, cast out my fear.  
Holy presence, love divine, cast out my fear.  
Shield me, free me, call me, lead me.  
Holy presence, love divine, cast out my fear.

## “Spirit Song”

Oh, let the Son of God enfold you  
With His Spirit and His love,  
Let Him fill your heart  
And satisfy your soul.  
Oh, let Him have those things that hold you,  
And His Spirit, like a dove,  
Will descend upon your life  
And make you whole.

### Chorus

**Jesus, oh Jesus,  
Come and fill Your lambs.  
Jesus, oh Jesus,  
Come and fill Your lambs.**

Oh, come and sing this song with gladness  
As your hearts are filled with joy,  
Lift your hands in sweet surrender  
To His name.  
Oh, give Him all your tears and sadness,  
Give Him all your years of pain,  
And you'll enter into life in  
Jesus' name. **(chorus)**

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING – *ORACIÓN DE ACCIÓN DE GRACIAS*

**P** Let us pray.

O God the Father, Creator of all that exists and who sent Your only-begotten Son to die and rise for us, we thank You that You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament; 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 – *BENDICIÓN*

**P** Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful,  
**C** and kindle in them the fire of Your love.

- 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 – ANUNCIOS**

(Please read the FYI in your bulletin for additional announcements and information.)

## **SONG – CANTO**

**“Oh, Sing To The Lord”  
“Cantad Al Señor”**

(See screen for words - Ver Pantalla para palabras)

## **DISMISSAL – DESPIDO**

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

## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS – AGRADECIMIENTOS**

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## † **VOTERS ASSEMBLY JUNE 4**

This is an important meeting to attend after the 11am service!

## † **STILL TIME TO DONATE**

The First Image Fun Run and Walk is a family-friendly annual event that supports life! You can still donate to our own runner Julie Williamson at this link: <https://page.fundeasy.com/6180566>.

## † **WOMENS BIBLE STUDY**

The next study is Tuesday, May 30 at 9:30am at Lottie Guericke's Home. 2008 NE 156th Court, Portland, OR 97230

## † **PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:**

The Family of Rich Zahursky, The Family of Dale Porath, Carolyn Barendse, Gina Kreps, The Brown Family, Jerry and Alma Bangs, Kevin McInaney, Judy Blubaum, Robert (Virginia Jacobs Brother), Cindy Linnemann, Brian Laxton, Karla Deal, Mike Fogarty, Emily Kohnke (member of the Webber Family), Mike Hatley, Lorraine Haggard, Esperanza Gutierrez, Kim Laxton, Antonia Martinez (mother of Esperanza Gutierrez), \*Barbara Schrader, \*Larry Hart. \*Home Bound.

## † **PRAYER NEEDS?**

Contact the church office with any requests, please e-mail: [office@alcpportland.org](mailto:office@alcpportland.org) or call 503-665-8821 Monday through Friday 9am to 3pm.

## † **PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY:**

Michael Williamson, Air Force, Reserve — Texas (grandson of Rebecca Williamson);  
Jamie Wong-Lopez, Marines — Annapolis MD (nephew of Kevin and Merci McInaney);  
Clayton Wright, Air Force — Yokota AFB Japan (grandson of Virginia Jacobs);  
Colton Wright, Navy — (grandson of Virginia Jacobs);  
Tyler Young, Navy — Deployed (nephew of Karen Arronson).

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**ASSISTING IN SERVICE TODAY, SUNDAY, MAY 28**

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	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>11:00am</b>
<b>Elder:</b>	Randy Bryant	Randy Schroeder
<b>Acolytes:</b>		
<b>Ushers:</b>	Bob Rekdahl Jim Eckart	Johnnie Driessner Matthias McInaney Bob Freeman James Freeman
<b>Audio/Visual:</b>	Stan Chapulis	Laura Potter
<b>PowerPoint:</b>	Jenny Schuldeisz	Rebecca Williamson
<b>Greeters:</b>	Sheryl Maier	Christina Freeman
<b>Readers:</b>	Jim Eckart	Peggy Hall
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	Both Services	Margo Bachhuber
<b>Flowers:</b>	Both Services	Altar Guild
<b>Counters:</b>	Both Services	Bob and Elaina Ritchie

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**ASSISTING IN SERVICE SUNDAY, JUNE 4**

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	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>11:00am</b>
<b>Elder:</b>	Randy Schroeder	John Hazen
<b>Acolytes:</b>		
<b>Ushers:</b>	Bob Rekdahl Jim Eckart Stan Chapulis <b>NEEDED</b>	Matthias McInaney Marcus Young
<b>Audio/Visual:</b>	Laura Potter	<b>NEEDED</b>
<b>PowerPoint:</b>	Wanda Cassetty	Rebecca Williamson
<b>Greeters:</b>	Elizabeth Alvarado Margo Bachhuber	Carrie Graham
<b>Readers:</b>	Randy Schroeder	Carlyn Staudt
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	Both Services	Karen Zahursky
<b>Flowers:</b>	Both Services	The Browns
<b>Counters:</b>	Both Services	Bonnie Webber and Rebecca Williamson

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**EVENTS THIS WEEK – SUN., SUN., MAY 28 - SAT., JUNE 3**

<b>Sunday, May 28</b>	8:30am	Worship
Pentecost	9:45am	Education Hour
Confirmation	11:00am	Worship with Communion
	5:00pm	Worship in Spanish w/ Comm.
	6:00pm	Online Worship Posted
<b>Monday, May 29</b>		<b>Office Closed</b>
<b>Wednesday, May 31</b>	2:00pm	Crafting Get-Together
	6:00pm	C-101 week 3
<b>Thursday, June 1</b>	6:00pm	Praise Team
<b>Friday, June 2</b>	6:30pm	Noche Familiar
<b>Saturday June 3</b>	10:30am	LWML Ladies Potluck Luncheon

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**EVENTS NEXT WEEK – SUN., JUNE 4 - SAT., JUNE 10**

<b>Sunday, June 4</b>	8:30am	Worship with Communion
	9:45am	Education Hour
	11:00am	Worship
	5:00pm	Worship in Spanish
	6:00pm	Online Worship Posted
<b>Tuesday, June 6</b>	6:00pm	Elder Meeting
<b>Wednesday, June 7</b>	2:00pm	Crafting Get-Together
	6:00pm	C-101 week 4
<b>Thursday, June 8</b>	6:00pm	Praise Team
<b>Friday, June 9</b>	6:30pm	Noche Familiar
<b>Saturday June 10</b>	10:30am	The Chosen Week 7

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**† MILESTONES - SUN., MAY 28 - SAT., JUNE 3****BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS:**

Jeannette Krogh	May 30	Rosemary Knox	May 31
Lily Fogarty	Jun. 1	Julie Williamson	Jun. 1

**BIRTHDAYS**

Eric Kreps	May 29	Debbie Rekdahl	May 30
Roberta Ritchie	May 31	Carol Hoefler	Jun 1
Erik Teyema	Jun 2		

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:**

NONE

# Ascension Lutheran Church

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Church Office Hours: Monday–Friday 9am to 3pm

## **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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