

ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH

"A Church for Families, a Family for Everyone" Sunday, Feb. 9, 2025

FIFTH 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 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: "JESUS NETS A SINNER"

As We Gather: Today we hear of Isaiah, who calls himself "a man of unclean lips." We read as Paul asks the rhetorical question, "What am I to do?" And we identify with Peter, who confesses, "I am a sinful man, O Lord." In short, we recognize that these people are just like us! But like all three, we have already been caught by our gracious God. Isaiah was called to write for God, Paul's pen brought the Gospel to the early church, and Peter led the disciples in spite of himself. With them, we have been caught in the "net," the good news of God's love and forgiveness. Today our worship is designed to move us outward, to fish for people who feel unclean, don't know what to do, and are leaderless; people who have not yet realized God's gracious love. Ready to go fishing?

PRELUDE

WELCOME

"God Himself Is Present"

LSB 907

1 God Himself is present:

Let us now adore Him

And with awe appear before Him.

God is in His temple;

All within keep silence;

Humbly kneel in deepest rev'rence.

He alone On His throne

Is our God and Savior;

Praise His name forever!

2 God Himself is present:

Hear the harps resounding;

See the hosts the throne surrounding.

"Holy, holy, holy!"

Hear the hymn ascending,

Songs of saints and angels blending.

Bow Your ear To us here:

Hear, O Christ, the praises

That Your Church now raises.

3 Fount of ev'ry blessing,

Purify my spirit,

Trusting only in Your merit.

Like the holy angels,

Worshiping before You,

May I ceaselessly adore You.

Let Your will Ever still

Rule Your Church terrestrial

As the hosts celestial.

INVOCATION

- In the name of the Father and of the
 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

OPENING SCRIPTURE

Psalm 71:12, 17-18

- P O God, be not far from me;
- O my God, make haste to help me!
- P O God, from my youth You have taught me,
- and I still proclaim Your wondrous deeds.
- P So even to old age and gray hairs, O God, do not forsake me,
- until I proclaim Your might to another generation, Your power to all those to come.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION Luke 5:8; 1 Corinthians 14:14; Isaiah 6:5, 7

- Seeing Jesus' power, Peter blurted out, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord."
- Heavenly Father, we confess that we have failed in thoughts, words, and deeds; we are sinful people.
- Paul lamented, "If I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays but my mind is unfruitful."

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- We confess, Holy Spirit, that we have been content to find peace only for ourselves; we are sinful in our very being.
- P Isaiah cried, "I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips."
- We confess, Lord Jesus, that we have sinned even in our speaking and doing; we deserve to have You depart from us.
- P Despite their failures, Isaiah and Paul were inspired to write parts of the Bible and Peter led the disciples. By the grace of God, Jesus died and rose for you. As the angel told Isaiah, "Your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for." As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the
 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen. Help us, Lord Jesus, to follow, calm and fearless, till our rest is won.

"Amazing Grace"

LSB 744

- 1 Amazing grace—how sweet the sound— That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but now am found, Was blind but now I see!
- Through many dangers, toils, and snares
 I have already come;
 His grace has brought me safe thus far,
 His grace will lead me home.

SALUTATION

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

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, You have given us Your Son to die and rise for us and our salvation. Grant us such strong faith in Him that we may follow wherever He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

SHARING THE PEACE OF THE LORD

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

+ THE WORD +

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 6:1-8 (ESV)

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of His robe filled the temple. ²Above Him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory!"

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of Him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" ⁶Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, Then I said, "Here I am! Send me."

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

EPISTLE READING

^{12b}Since you are eager for manifestations of the Spirit, strive to excel in building up the church. ¹³Therefore, one who speaks in a tongue should pray for the power to interpret. ¹⁴For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays but my mind is unfruitful. ¹⁵What am I to do? I will pray with my spirit, but I will pray with my mind also; I will sing praise with my spirit, but I will sing with my mind also. ¹⁶Otherwise, if you give thanks with your spirit, how can anyone in the position of an outsider say "Amen" to your thanksgiving when he does not know what you are saying? ¹⁷For you may be giving thanks well enough, but the other person is not being built up. ¹⁸I thank God that I speak in tongues more than all of you. ¹⁹Nevertheless, in church I would rather speak five words with my mind in order to instruct others, than ten thousand words in a tongue. ²⁰Brothers, do not be children in your thinking. Be infants in evil, but in your thinking be mature.

- **I** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

LAMBS' LESSON

Pr. Jim Sprengle

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 5:1-11 (ESV)

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fifth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.
- P On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on [Jesus] to hear the word of God, He was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, and He saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, He asked him to put out a little from the land. And He sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when He had finished speaking, He said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." And Simon answered,
- "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at Your word I will let down the nets."

- And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying,
- "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord."
- For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed Him.
- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

PRAYER AND LOVE IN ACTION REQUESTS GATHERED

"How Shall They Hear," Who Have Not Heard"

LSB 831

- 1 "How shall they hear," who have not heard News of a Lord who loved and came; Nor known His reconciling word, Nor learned to trust a Savior's name?
- 2 "To all the world," to ev'ry place, Neighbors and friends and far-off lands, Preach the good news of saving grace; Go while the great commission stands.
- 3 "Whom shall I send?" Who hears the call, Constant in prayer, through toil and pain, Telling of One who died for all, To bring a lost world home again?
- 4 "Lord, here am I:" Your fire impart
 To this poor cold self-centered soul;
 Touch but my lips, my hands, my heart,
 And make a world for Christ my goal.

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△TE DEUM ~ "God, We Praise You"

tune: Come, Thou Fount

God, we praise you! God, we bless you! God, we name you sovereign Lord! Mighty King whom angels worship, Father, by your church adored: all creation shows your glory, heaven and earth draw near your throne singing 'Holy, holy, holy, Lord of hosts, and God alone!'

True apostles, faithful prophets, saints who set their world ablaze, martyrs, once unknown, unheeded, join one growing song of praise, while your church on earth confesses one majestic Trinity:
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
God, our hope eternally.

Jesus Christ, the King of glory, everlasting Son of God, humble was your virgin mother, hard the lonely path you trod: by your cross is sin defeated, hell confronted face to face, heaven opened to believers, sinners justified by grace.

Christ, at God's right hand victorious, you will judge the world you made; Lord, in mercy help your servants for whose freedom you have paid: raise us up from dust to glory, guard us from all sin today; King enthroned above all praises, save your people, God, we pray.

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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.)

(11:00) "The Gift of Love" words and music by H. Hopson Ascension Choir

(based on 1 Corinthians 13)

Though I may speak with bravest fire, And have the gift to all inspire, And have not love; my words are vain, As sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess, And striving so my love profess, But not be giv'n by love within, The profit soon turns strangely thin.

Come, Spirit come, our hearts control.
Our spirits long to be made whole.
O come, Spirit come,
Let inward love, Let love guide ev'ry deed.
By this we worship, we are freed.
Amen.

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P Let us pray for ourselves, the church around the world, and all people in their various circumstances. For those who grow crops, tend flocks, distribute goods, and share this world's riches, that God would keep them safe and guide them to use their talents wisely, let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord have mercy; bless their use of what they manage.
- For those who protect and defend us at home and abroad, those who work in government and social agencies, and those who go in harm's way to rescue people in danger, let us pray to the Lord.
- Lord have mercy; guide, protect, and strengthen them for the benefit of all.

- For the church here and around the world, wherever the Gospel is preached in its truth and purity, that God would raise up people of faith to be fishers of men and women wherever they find open ears and hearts, let us pray to the Lord.
- Lord have mercy; grant us grace to grow in faith and numbers.
- For those who do not have enough food, clothing, or shelter...that God would provide them what they need, let us pray to the Lord.
- Lord have mercy; use us and the resources You have given us as part of Your answer.
- For those who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity...that God would heal them according to His will, and provide for all their needs, let us pray to the Lord.
- Lord have mercy; grant to them Your peace and comfort with the knowledge that You are in control.
- For those who are celebrating this week...that God would be glorified in our lives with hearts of thanksgiving, let us pray to the Lord.
- Lord have mercy; accept our thanks for the blessings You have bestowed.
- These and any other things You would have us ask, heavenly Father, grant to us for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, in whose name we pray.
- C 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.

(8:30 AM 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.
- And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

+ DISTRIBUTION SONGS +

"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

O soul, are you weary and troubled? No light in the darkness you see? There's light for a look at the Savior, And life more abundant and free! (*Refrain*)

Refrain

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, Look full in His wonderful face, And the things of earth will grow strangely dim, In the light of His glory and grace. Thro' death into life everlasting, He passed, and we follow Him there; O'er us sin no more hath dominion – For more than conqu'rors we are! **(refrain)**

His Word shall not fail you – He promised; Believe Him, and all will be well: Then go to a world that is dying, His perfect salvation to tell! **(refrain)**

"Yet Not I, But Through Christ In Me"

What gift of grace is Jesus, my Redeemer.
There is no more for heaven now to give.
He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom,
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus.
For my life is wholly bound to His.
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken,
For by my side the Saviour, He will stay.
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing,
For in my need, His power is displayed.
To this I hold: my Shepherd will defend me.
Through the deepest valley He will lead.
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven,
The future sure, the price, it has been paid.
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon,
And He was raised to overthrow the grave.
To this I hold: my sin has been defeated.
Jesus now, and ever, is my plea.
Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With every breath I long to follow Jesus,
For He has said that He will bring me home.
And day by day I know He will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne.
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus.
All the glory evermore to Him.
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

(Ending)

When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat: Yet not I, but through Christ in me. Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

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POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this Sacrament. We implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us by it to follow our Savior to whomever we meet, "catching" them with His gracious Gospel; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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.)

"Here I Am, Lord"

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My people cry.
All who dwell in deepest sin -- My hand will save.
I Who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard You calling in the night. I will go, Lord, If You lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne My people's pain. I have wept for love of them, They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone. I will speak My word to them. Whom shall I send? (refrain)

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DISMISSAL Isaiah 6:8

Go in peace as you serve the Lord.Thanks be to God!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

FEB. 16, 2025

† CALLIGRAPHY CLASS

There will be a new calligraphy class offered Wednesdays beginning February 5 through March 26 from 2:00 to 3:30pm in the Community Room. Everyone is welcome. All supplies are provided, and the cost is \$2. Call Carolyn Gordon with any questions: 503-674-6713.

† SANCTITY OF LIFE SUNDAY NEWS

Sunday, February 16, is Life Sunday, and during the months of January through Life Sunday we will be collecting "layette" items to help provide for newborns in need. These items include diapers, onesies, receiving blankets, and other essential items for newborn care. Please place your donations in the baby crib located in the narthex.

Monetary donations will be encouraged as well. Please place your gift into the offering plate clearly marked "Life Sunday".

† YOUTH GROUP FAMILY NIGHT

Join us on Friday, February 21, at 6:30pm for an evening fellowship. Enjoy a potluck dinner, games, and music with friends and family. Be sure to sign up in the Narthex to let us know what dish you'll bring. We can't wait to see you there!

† WORKDAY PLANNED, SAVE THE DATE!

Join us on Saturday March 1 from 9:00am to 12:00pm to clean up the inside of our church. All are welcome, jobs are varied.

† THANK YOU FROM PASTOR HERB HOEFER

When I wrote thank-you notes for gifts to Ascension in Carol's honor, I wrote "...a place she loved and where she was loved." Thank you for loving her - and for encouraging me and my family in the Lord, with cards and condolences and prayers.

† MY FATHER'S HOUSE NEEDS

It is time for us to outfit a new family with essentials at My Father's House. Please check out the whiteboard in the Narthex to see what you can donate. Write your name in the item you are getting and then bring it to the Community room after you have bought it. All items must be new and unopened. Thank you for your generosity!

† PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

The Family of Carol Hoefer, The Family of Karla Deal, Riki Neagle, Bobbie Adams, Mike Fogarty, Jan Galberth, Randy Bryant's friend (Robert), Jim Eckart, Gina Kreps, 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)

ASSISTING IN SERVICE TODAY, SUN., FEB. 9, 2025

8:30am 8:30am 11:00am

Elder: Randy Bryant Randy Schroeder

Acolytes: NEEDED NEEDED
Ushers: Jim Eckart John Aden

Stan Chapulis Marcus Young

Matthias McInaney

Audio/Visual: Teresa Osgood Laura Potter

PowerPoint:Tom OsgoodRebecca WilliamsonGreeters:Millie EdwardsChristina FreemanReaders:Joann SchulzCarlyn Staudt

Altar Guild: Both Services: Debbie Rekdahl
Flowers: Both Services: Klara Schmidt

Counters: Both Services: Karon Keup and

Sheryl Maier

Sunday School 9:45am: Hana Brandt and Gina Kreps

ASSISTING IN SERVICE NEXT, SUN., FEB. 16, 2025

8:30am 11:00am

Elder: Dave Oswald John Hazen

Acolytes: NEEDED NEEDED

Ushers: Mike Adams Bob Freeman

Randy Schroeder James Freeman

John Aden

Audio/Visual: Stan Chapulis J. E. Knox

PowerPoint:Rebecca WilliamsonRosemary KnoxGreeters:Norma DillonEsperanza GutierrezJean DillonMargaret Hubbard

Readers: Julie Williamson Michele Sprengle

Altar Guild: Both Services: Wendy Hazen Both Services: NEEDED

Counters: Both Services: Dave and Jan Oswald

Sunday School 9:45am: Carrie Graham and Michele Sprengle

EVENTS THIS WEEK - SUN., FEB. 9 - SAT., FEB. 15

Sunday, Feb. 9	8:30am 9:45am 11:00am 12:15pm	Worship Adult Ed and Sunday School Worship with Communion Bell Practice
	5:00pm	Spanish Worship w/ Communion
Monday, Feb. 10	6:00pm	Young Adult Bible Study
Tuesday, Feb. 11	2:00pm	Women's Bible Study
	6:00pm	Council Meeting
Wednesday, Feb. 12	2:00pm	Calligraphy Class
Thursday, Feb. 13	6:00pm	Praise Team
	7:00pm	Choir Practice
Friday, Feb. 14	5:30pm	Confirmation

EVENTS NEXT WEEK - SUN., FEB. 16 - SAT., FEB. 22		
8:30am	Worship with Communion	
9:45am	Adult Ed and Sunday School	
11:00am	Worship	
12:15pm	Bell Practice	
5:00pm	Spanish Worship	
6:00pm	Young Adult Bible Study	
6:00pm	3:10 Group	
2:00pm	Calligraphy Class	
6:00pm	NO Praise Team	
7:00pm	NO Choir Practice	
5:30pm	Confirmation	
6:30pm	Youth and Family Night Event	
All Day	Private Event	
	8:30am 9:45am 11:00am 12:15pm 5:00pm 6:00pm 6:00pm 6:00pm 7:00pm 5:30pm 6:30pm	

† MILESTONES – Sunday, Feb. 9– Saturday, Feb. 15

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS: None

BIRTHDAYS:

Eli Deal Feb. 9 Sharon Stanley Feb. 9 Christina Freeman Feb. 12 Virginia Jacobs Feb. 12

WEDDINGS:

John and Carolyn Haase Feb. 14, 1970 Erik and Erika Teyema Feb. 15, 2003



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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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