

"NO ONE CAN
COME TO ME
UNLESS THE FATHER
WHO SENT ME
DRAWS THEM, AND

I
Will
Raise
them Up

AT THE LAST
DAY." JOHN
6:44, NIV

Ascension Lutheran Church

"A Church for Families, a Family for Everyone"

Sunday, August 11, 2024

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Welcome to all who are attending our service today. We are glad you are with us! To all guests and visitors, we especially extend our hands of friendship. May God bless the worship time for each one of you. Please come again!

NURSERY AVAILABLE We have an unstaffed nursery for your convenience and privacy. The nursery has audio and video so you may hear and see the worship service while attending to your child.

Holy Communion is celebrated at the 8:30 service on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month, and at the 11:00 service on the 2nd and 4th Sundays.

For those wishing to commune at the Lords Table with us today:

The Lutheran practice of close Communion attempts to prevent a person from eating and drinking judgment on himself (1 Corinthians 11:23–30). Thus, attendance at the Lords Supper implies a four-level commitment to Christ. We believe that communicants must: (1) be baptized Christians; (2) accept the real presence of Christs body in the bread and His blood in the wine; (3) confess and repent of ones sins and trust that God offers complete forgiveness of those sins in this Sacrament; and (4) share oneness of faith, doctrine and practice among those who commune. Those wishing to commune with us today who have not done so previously, please see the pastor or an elder before the service begins. (*Grape juice is available for those who do not drink alcohol, and gluten-free wafers are available upon request.*)

Para aquellos que desean participar en la Santa Cena con nosotros hoy: *La práctica luterana de la comunión intenta evitar que una persona coma y beba el juicio de Dios sobre sí mismo (1 Corintios 11:23–30). Por lo tanto, la asistencia a la Cena del Señor implica un compromiso de cuatro niveles con Cristo. Creemos que los comulgantes deben: (1) ser bautizados como cristianos; (2) aceptar la presencia real del cuerpo de Cristo en el pan y Su sangre en el vino; (3) confesar y arrepentirse de sus pecados y confiar en que Dios ofrece el perdón completo de esos pecados en este Sacramento; y (4) compartir la unidad de fe, doctrina y práctica entre los que comulgan. Aquellos que desean comulgan con nosotros hoy que no lo han hecho anteriormente, por favor vean al pastor o un anciano antes de que comience el servicio. (El jugo de uva está disponible para aquellos que no beben alcohol, y hostias libres de gluten están disponibles bajo petición.)*

+ PREPARATION +

TITLE: “Jesus Is Enough”

AS WE GATHER: We are quick to lament when we have had enough—enough trouble, trial, temptation, and turmoil. In the midst of our despair and sorrow, the Lord comes to us with the promise: “I am enough.” All our lives we wrestle with that statement. Sometimes it is easy to answer what troubles us with “Jesus is enough.” Other times we fight against the sufficiency of Christ in a world of affliction, pain, sorrow, and doubt. Like Elijah of old, the only answer we have against the powers of the world and the devil is Christ, the living bread come down from heaven to give us strength for this life and the life which is eternal.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Word Of God, Come Down On Earth

LSB 545

- 1 Word of God, come down on earth,
Living rain from heav’n descending;
Touch our hearts and bring to birth
Faith and hope and love unending.
Word almighty, we revere You;
Word made flesh, we long to hear You.
- 2 Word eternal, throned on high,
Word that brought to life creation,
Word that came from heav’n to die,
Crucified for our salvation,
Saving Word, the world restoring,
Speak to us, Your love outpouring.
- 3 Word that caused blind eyes to see,
Speak and heal our mortal blindness;
Deaf we are: our healer be;
Loose our tongues to tell Your kindness.
Be our Word in pity spoken,
Heal the world, by sin now broken.

- 4 Word that speaks God's tender love,
One with God beyond all telling,
Word that sends us from above,
God the Spirit, with us dwelling,
Word of truth, to all truth lead us;
Word of life, with one bread feed us.

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INVOCATION

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

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Psalm 34:8–10

- P** Oh, fear the LORD, you His saints;
C those who seek the LORD lack no good thing. Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!

Silence for self-examination

- P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
C I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.
- P** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and given to us His only Son to suffer and die for our salvation. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

- 6 Now my conscience is at peace;
From the Law I stand acquitted.
Christ hath purchased my release
And my ev'ry sin remitted.
Naught remains my soul to grieve:
Jesus sinners doth receive.
- 7 Jesus sinners doth receive;
Also I have been forgiven;
And when I this earth must leave,
I shall find an open heaven.
Dying, still to Him I cleave:
Jesus sinners doth receive.

Jesus Sinners Doth Receive, Text: tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt.; Erdmann Neumeister, 1671–1756,
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SALUTATION

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, keep us from despairing amid the threats and afflictions of this mortal life, and direct our hearts to Your Word that we may know and rejoice in our Savior and in grace sufficient to answer all that troubles us; through Jesus Christ, 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

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

+ THE WORD +

OLD TESTAMENT

1 Kings 19:1-8 (ESV)

¹Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ²Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." ³Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there. ⁴But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers." ⁵And he lay down and slept under a broom tree. And behold, an angel touched him and said to him, "Arise and eat." ⁶And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. And he ate and drank and lay down again. ⁷And the angel of the LORD came again a second time and touched him and said, "Arise and eat, for the journey is too great for you." ⁸And he arose and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Ephesians 4:25-5:2 (ESV)

²⁵Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. ²⁶Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and give no opportunity to the devil. ²⁸Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. ²⁹Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. ³²Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

¹Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. ²And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 6:35-51 (ESV)

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

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

³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to Me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in Me shall never thirst. ³⁶But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. ³⁷All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. ³⁸For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will but the will of Him who sent Me. ³⁹And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that I should lose nothing of all that He has given Me, but raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰For this is the will of My Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in Him should have eternal life, and I will raise Him up on the last day." ⁴¹So the Jews grumbled about Him, because He said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." ⁴²They said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does He now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" ⁴³Jesus answered them, "Do not grumble among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. ⁴⁵It is written in the Prophets, 'And they will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to Me— ⁴⁶not that anyone has seen the Father except He who is from God; He has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is My flesh."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

PRAYER AND LOVE IN ACTION REQUESTS GATHERED

I Am The Bread Of Life

“I am the Bread of life,
You who come to Me shall not hunger,
And who believe in Me shall not thirst.
No one can come to Me
Unless the Father beckons.”

(Refrain)

**“And I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up on the last day.”**

“The bread that I will give
Is My flesh for the life of the world,
And if you eat of this bread,
you shall live forever,
you shall live forever.” **(refrain)**

“Unless you eat
Of the flesh of the Son of Man
And drink of His blood,
And drink of His blood,
You shall not have life within you.” **(refrain)**

“I am the Resurrection,
I am the Life.
If you believe in Me,
Even though you die,
You shall live forever.” **(refrain)**

Yes, Lord, I believe
That You are the Christ,
The Son of God,
Who has come into the world. **(refrain twice)**

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SERMON
“GRUMBLING WILL GET YOU NOWHERE”

Pr. Jim Sprengle
John 6:35-51

APOSTLES' CREED

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

**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.
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.**

**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.**

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 now come humbly before our great God with our prayers and praises, that we may draw near to Him and that He would be glorified.

Blessed Lord, once our fathers ate manna in the wilderness and died. Give us heaven's bread that by our communion of the body and blood of Jesus we may live forever. Nourish us upon Christ, our Lord, that we may be sustained in faith and delivered at last into Your presence on high forevermore. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Mighty Lord, You manifest Your power over all things through the leaders in this and every land. By Your grace, make all those who serve us in government wise, just, and honest, and guide them toward the common good that we may serve You without fear. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Gentle Savior, You came not to condemn but to heal and save. Grant to us hearts of mercy that we may forgive as we have been forgiven, and by our acts of mercy display Your great compassion. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Good Shepherd, raise up good and faithful shepherds for Your people that the church may be blessed with passionate preaching and faithful teaching. Bless Matthew, our synod president; Michael, our district president; and James, our pastor. Give these men courage and strength as they proclaim Your life-giving Gospel to a dying world and feed Your flock with Jesus, the living bread from heaven. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Merciful Lord, give guidance and counsel to those unemployed and underemployed, that they may be equipped to supply the bread of the day to their families and share with the hungry from their abundance. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Blessed Father, in our wounds, You are wounded. Be with those who suffer any burden of the body or mind, and deliver them from all their sufferings according to Your mercy...Keep them through the day of their trouble until at last You deliver them into Your perfect peace. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Gracious Lord, thank You for Your goodness and for blessing us in so many ways. We celebrate these joys this week...Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Almighty God, You have not withheld from us anything needful for this body and life. Help us now to trust in You for answer to our prayers, and give to us such confidence in Your fatherly wisdom that we may be content and at peace with Your answer; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, we pray.

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 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 upon request.)

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PAX DOMINI

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

+ DISTRIBUTION HYMNS +

Behold The Lamb

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away,
Slain for us: and we remember:
The promise made that all who come in faith
Find forgiveness at the cross.
So we share in this Bread of life,
And we drink of His sacrifice,
As a sign of our bonds of peace
Around the table of the King.

The body of our Saviour, Jesus Christ,
Torn for you: eat and remember
The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life,
Paid the price to make us one.
So we share in this Bread of Life,
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of love
Around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin,
Shed for you: drink and remember
He drained death's cup that all may enter in
To receive the life of God.
So we share in this Bread of Life,
And we drink of His sacrifice,
As a sign of our bonds of grace
Around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith
We rise to respond: and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ
As His body here on earth.
As we share in His suffering,
We proclaim: Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of heaven
Around the table of the King.

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Just as I Am

LSB 570

- 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, Text: Charlotte Elliott, 1789–1871, Text: Public domain

Post-Communion Thanksgiving

P Let us pray.

From Your abundance, O Lord, You have supplied us all things in Christ. Grant to us grace that we may receive Your gift with joy and thanksgiving and, by this blessed communion, we may rest our burdened hearts upon Your goodness knowing that Christ is enough and trusting in Him always; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

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 ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

LSB 821

- 1 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;
His the scepter, His the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph,
His the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
Thunder like a mighty flood:
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation
Has redeemed us by His blood."
- 2 Alleluia! Not as orphans
Are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! He is near us;
Faith believes, nor questions how.
Though the cloud from sight received Him
When the forty days were o'er,
Shall our hearts forget His promise:
"I am with you evermore"?

3 Alleluia! Bread of heaven,
Here on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluia! Here the sinful
Flee to You from day to day.
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
Earth's Redeemer, hear our plea
Where the songs of all the sinless
Sweep across the crystal sea.

5 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;
His the scepter, His the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph,
His the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
Thunder like a mighty flood:
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation
Has redeemed us by His blood."

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus, Text: William C. Dix, 1837–98, alt., Text: Public domain

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

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*Thank you to Lottie Guericke for the lovely Altar flowers,
given to the glory of God.*

† NEW DONNA SNOW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY BEGINS

The Stripes That Healed, based on *Isaiah 53:5*. Join us in the Community Room for this 4-session study held on the second Tuesday of the month at 2:00pm beginning August 13. The study is available in the church office or call and one will be placed in your church mailbox.

† FRIENDSHIP SUNDAY AND ALL CHURCH WORSHIP

Invite your friends and family and join us Sunday, August 25 at 10:30am for our annual all church worship. A potluck lunch will follow in the Community Room. The church will provide the main course, drinks and dinnerware for all. The congregation is invited to supply their favorite sides and desserts! Remember just **ONE** service that day!

HOSPITALITY NEEDS HELPERS ON THE DAY OF THE PICNIC:

Contact the church office if you can help: Call (503) 665-8821 or email office@alcportland.org

FOOD NEEDS: Check out the list in the narthex to sign up for items to bring and where you can serve! If you cannot contribute, please do not let that keep you from coming.

† CHOIR IS BEGINNING SOON!

Choir rehearsals begin Thursday, August 29th at 7pm and continue each Thursday night thru May. If you enjoy great fellowship and God's gift of singing, then please join us as we lift our voices to God in song!

† THE CHOSEN SEASON 4

The next watch party for episode 4 is on August 24 beginning at 10:30am.

† SAVE THE DATE LWML – SATURDAY, AUGUST 31

Ladies of the Congregation and their guests are invited to attend an LWML (Lutheran Women in Mission) planning meeting on Saturday, Aug. 31, in the Community Room from 10:00am-12:00pm. This casual meeting will include opening Devotion, prayer, and sharing ideas about the Mt. Hood Fall Zone Gathering to be hosted at Ascension this year. We will also talk about the theme and fundraiser for this year's LWML Sunday: "Ready to Serve" *Luke 1:38*

† PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY

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

Jamie Wong-Lopez, Navy – Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii (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 (grandson of Neil and Deb Zeller)

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

† PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

Mike Fogarty, The Family of Carolyn Barendse, Karla Deal, The family of Bob Rekdahl, Jan Galberth, Jim Eckart, Gina Kreps, Herb and Carol Hoefler, Mae Smith, Gertrud Bublies, Alma Bangs, Marcia Bryant's relative (Ron), Kaye Beaulieu's Brother (Dick), Virginia Jacob's brother (Robert), Mel Haggard, The Family of Mike Hatley, Esperanza Gutierrez' mother (Antonia), *Barbara Schrader, *Larry Hart, *Lorraine Haggard. *Home Bound.

† PRAYER NEEDS?

Please e-mail: office@alcportland.org or call (leave a message if no one is here) 503-665-8821

† MILESTONES - SUNDAY, AUG. 11, – SATURDAY, AUG. 17

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS:

Danny Graham	Aug. 14	Marty Blankenburg	Aug. 16
Barbara Lewis	Aug. 17	Rev. Dan Parshall	Aug. 17

BIRTHDAYS:

Cindy Reinert	Aug. 13	Elaine Miller	Aug. 14
Seydi Moreno	Aug. 14	Randy Bryant	Aug. 16
John Aden	Aug. 17		

WEDDINGS:

Herb and Carol Hoefler	Aug. 13, 1966
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EVENTS THIS WEEK – SUN., AUGUST 11 – SAT., AUG. 17

Sunday, Aug. 11	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
Tuesday, Aug. 13	2:00pm	Ladies Bible Study
	6:00pm	Council Meeting
Wednesday, Aug. 14	11:30am	Watercolor Painting Class
	2:00pm	Crafting Get-Together
Thursday, Aug. 15	6:00pm	Praise Team
Friday, Aug. 16	6:30pm	Noche Familiar
	7:00pm	Youth Group
Saturday, Aug. 17	All Day	Private Event

EVENTS NEXT WEEK – SUN., AUGUST 18 – SAT., AUG. 24

Sunday, Aug. 18	8:30am	Worship with Communion
	9:45am	Adult Ed and Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship
	12:15pm	Bell Practice
	5:00pm	Spanish Worship
Tuesday, Aug. 20	6:00pm	3:10 Group
Wednesday, Aug. 21	11:30am	Watercolor Painting Class
	2:00pm	Crafting Get-Together
Thursday, Aug. 22	6:00pm	Praise Team
		NEWSLETTER ITEMS DUE
Friday, Aug. 23	6:30pm	Noche Familiar
	7:00pm	Youth Group

ASSISTING IN SERVICE TODAY, SUN., AUGUST 11, 2024

	8:30am	11:00am
Elder:	Randy Bryant	John Hazen
Acolytes:	NEEDED	NEEDED
Ushers:	Jim Eckart Randy Schroeder	Matthias McInaney Neil Zeller Bob Freeman James Freeman
Audio/Visual:	Stan Chapulis	Laura Potter
PowerPoint:	Debbie Rekdahl	Rebecca Williamson
Greeters:	Sue Lewis Heather Gulde	Christina Freeman
Readers:	Carlyn Staudt	Karon Keup
Altar Guild:	Both Services: Virginia Jacobs	
Flowers:	Both Services: Lottie Guericke	
Counters:	Both Services: Dave and Jan Oswald	
Sunday School	9:45am: Hana Brandt and Gina Kreps	

ASSISTING IN SERVICE NEXT, SUN., AUGUST 18, 2024

	8:30am	11:00am
Elder:	Dave Oswald	Herb Hoefler
Acolytes:	NEEDED	NEEDED
Ushers:	Stan Chapulis John Aden Mike Adams NEEDED	Paul Walter NEEDED
Audio/Visual:	Laura Potter	J.E. Knox
PowerPoint:	Jenny Schuldheisz	Rosemary Knox
Greeters:	Norma Dillon Jean Dillon	Margaret Hubbard Esperanza Gutierrez
Readers:	Julie Williamson	Michele Sprengle
Altar Guild:	Both Services: Jan Oswald	
Flowers:	Both Services: Jim and Barb Conway	
Counters:	Both Services: Bob and Elaina Ritchie	
Sunday School	9:45am: Carrie Graham and Michele Sprengle	

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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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