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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### *Prelude*

"Lift Every Voice and Sing"

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J. W. Johnson & J. R. Johnson  
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1. Lift ev-'ry voice and sing till earth and heav-en ring,  
ring with the har-mo-nies of lib-er-ty.  
Let our re-joic-ing rise high as the lis-t'ning skies,  
let it re-sound loud as the roll-ing sea.  
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;  
sing a song full of the hope that the pre-sent has brought us;  
fac-ing the ris-ing sun of our new day be-gun,  
let us march on till vic-to-ry is won.
2. Ston-y the road we trod, bit-ter the chas-t'ning rod,  
felt in the days when hope un-born had died;  
yet with a stead-y beat, have not our wea-ry feet  
come to the place for which our par-ents sighed?  
We have come o-ver a way that with tears has been wa-tered;  
we have come, tread-ing our path through the blood of the  
slaugh-tered,  
out from the gloom-y past, till now we stand at last  
where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

*(Stand)* **Confession and Forgiveness**

*(“For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God”, Romans 3.23*

*In this part of the service we acknowledge our sinfulness and our need for a Savior.)*

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

*(Kneel/Sit)*

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C: who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,

**C: and you forgave the guilt of my sin.**

P: Most Merciful God,

**C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P: Upon this your confession, I, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I announce the forgiveness of all our sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

*(“The free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus”, Romans 6.23b*

*In this part of the service we proclaim the Gospel that frees us from sin.)*

*(Stand) Greeting*

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

*Opening Hymn*

"Faith of Our Fathers"

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1. Faith of our fa-thers, liv-ing still  
in spite of dun-geon, fire, and sword.  
Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy  
whene'er we hear that glo-rious word.  
Faith of our fa-thers, ho-ly faith,  
we will be true to you till death.
  
3. Faith of our sis-ters, bro-thers too,  
who still must bear op-pres-sion's might,  
rai-sing on high, in pri-sons dark,  
the cross of Christ still burn-ing bright.  
Faith for to-day, O liv-ing faith,  
we will be true to you till death.

*Salutation and Prayer of the Day*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray:

C: **O God, You have prepared for those who love You such good things as surpass our understanding. Cast out all sins and evil desires from us, and pour into our hearts Your Holy Spirit to guide us into all blessedness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

<sup>1</sup>I was ready to be sought by those who did not ask for me; I was ready to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, “Here am I, here am I,” to a nation that was not called by my name. <sup>2</sup>I spread out my hands all the day to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; <sup>3</sup>a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and making offerings on bricks; <sup>4</sup>who sit in tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat pig’s flesh, and broth of tainted meat is in their vessels; <sup>5</sup>who say, “Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you.” These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all the day. <sup>6</sup>Behold, it is written before me: “I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their bosom <sup>7</sup>both your iniquities and your fathers’ iniquities together, says the Lord; because they made offerings on the mountains and insulted me on the hills, I will measure into their bosom payment for their former deeds.”

<sup>8</sup>Thus says the Lord:

“As the new wine is found in the cluster, and they say, ‘Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it,’ so I will do for my servants’ sake, and not destroy them all. <sup>9</sup>I will bring forth offspring from Jacob, and from Judah possessors of my mountains; my chosen shall possess it, and my servants shall dwell there.”

**R:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*The Second Lesson*

**Galatians 3:23-4:7**

<sup>23</sup>Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. <sup>24</sup>So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. <sup>25</sup>But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, <sup>26</sup>for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. <sup>27</sup>For as many of you as were baptized into

Christ have put on Christ. <sup>28</sup>There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup>And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

<sup>1</sup>I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, <sup>2</sup>but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. <sup>3</sup>In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. <sup>4</sup>But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup>to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. <sup>6</sup>And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" <sup>7</sup>So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### ***The Gospel Lesson***

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32.

R: The Gospel according to St. Luke.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>15</sup> Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus. <sup>2</sup> But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." <sup>3</sup> Then Jesus told them this parable: <sup>11</sup> Jesus continued: "There was a man who had two sons. <sup>12</sup> The younger one said to his father, 'Father, give me my share of the estate.' So he divided his property between them.

<sup>13</sup> "Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. <sup>14</sup> After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. <sup>15</sup> So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. <sup>16</sup> He longed

to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything.

<sup>17</sup> “When he came to his senses, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death!’ <sup>18</sup> I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. <sup>19</sup> I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.’ <sup>20</sup> So he got up and went to his father. “But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.

<sup>21</sup> “The son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’

<sup>22</sup> “But the father said to his servants, ‘Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. <sup>23</sup> Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let’s have a feast and celebrate. <sup>24</sup> For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’ So they began to celebrate.

<sup>25</sup> “Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. <sup>26</sup> So he called one of the servants and asked him what was going on. <sup>27</sup> ‘Your brother has come,’ he replied, ‘and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.’

<sup>28</sup> “The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. <sup>29</sup> But he answered his father, ‘Look! All these years I’ve been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. <sup>30</sup> But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!’

<sup>31</sup> ““My son,’ the father said, ‘you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. <sup>32</sup> But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’”



R: The Gospel of the Lord.  
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

*(Sit) Sermon*

*(Stand) Hymn of the Day*

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“God Is Here”

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1. **God is here! As we your people  
Meet to offer praise and prayer,  
May we find in fuller measure  
What it is in Christ we share.  
Here, as in the world around us,  
All our varied skills and arts.  
Wait the coming of the Spirit  
Into open minds and hearts.**
  
4. **Lord of all, of Church and kingdom,  
In an age of change and doubt  
Keep us faithful to the Gospel;  
Help us work your purpose out.  
Here, in this day's dedication,  
All we have to give, receive;  
We, who cannot live without you,  
We adore you! We believe!**

*(“If you confess with your mouth ‘Jesus is Lord’  
and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead,  
you will be saved.”, Romans 6.23b*

*Having just heard the saving Gospel proclaimed,  
in this part of the service we respond with our profession of faith.)*

**Confessor:** I give thanks to God for ...  
and ask you to join me in confessing our faith:

## ***The Apostles Creed***

**I believe in God, the Father almighty**

**Creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.**

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

**He descended into hell.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

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

**I believe in the Holy Spirit;**

**the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints;**

**the forgiveness of sins;**

**the resurrection of the body;**

**and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*(“Therefore, since we have been justified through faith,  
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ”. Romans 5.1*

*We have peace with God! In this part of the service we:*

- climb into our Father’s lap and share our deepest thoughts  
and make our needs known,*
- bring our Father our gifts, simple though they may be,*
- come to the Table for the Family Meal, a foretaste of  
the heavenly banquet,*
- sing the songs that even now are sung before the Throne of Grace.)*

## ***(Kneel/Sit) Prayers***

**A: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for  
all people according to their needs:**

***(After each portion of the prayers:)***

**A: Lord, in your mercy**

**C: Hear our prayer.**

*(The prayers conclude:)*

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.**

*(Stand)* ***Sharing of the Peace***

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

**C: And also with you.**

*All may greet one another with a sign of peace.*

*"Peace be with you"... "God bless you"... "God loves you"*

***"Organ Interlude"***

"Nun Freut Euch, Lieben Christen Gmein"

Johann E. Rembt

***The Gathering of Gifts***

*Any tithes or offerings may be placed into the offering plate by the entrance to the Sanctuary at the beginning or the end of service. For those who are worshiping with us via live-stream, please consider mailing your offering to the Church office or giving online through our website.*

*(Stand)* ***Presentation of Gifts***

**"All That I Am"**

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**All that I am, all that I do,**

**All that I'll ev-er have, I of-fer now to you.**

**Take and sanc-ti-fy these gifts for your ho-nor, Lord.**

**Know-ing that I love and serve you is e-nough re-ward.**

**All that I am, all that I do,**

**All that I'll ev-er have, I of-fer now to you.**

### *Offering Prayer*

A: Let us pray. Merciful Father,

**C: You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living creature. With these gifts we bless you for your tender nurture and care. Help us to delight in your will and walk in your ways, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**



## *The Great Thanksgiving*

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And with your spirit.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them up to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You reveal your glory as the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your eternal glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...join their unending hymn:

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The musical score is written for a single voice part on a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 3/2. The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some measures containing rests. The lyrics are written below the staff, aligned with the notes. The text is as follows:

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.  
Heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high-est. Ho - san - na in the high-est. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is  
he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est.

## *The Eucharistic Prayer*

P: You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish, but have eternal life. We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he returns.

**C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P: Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

P: Lord, remember us in your Kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread; forgive us our  
sins, as we forgive those who sin against us;**

**Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

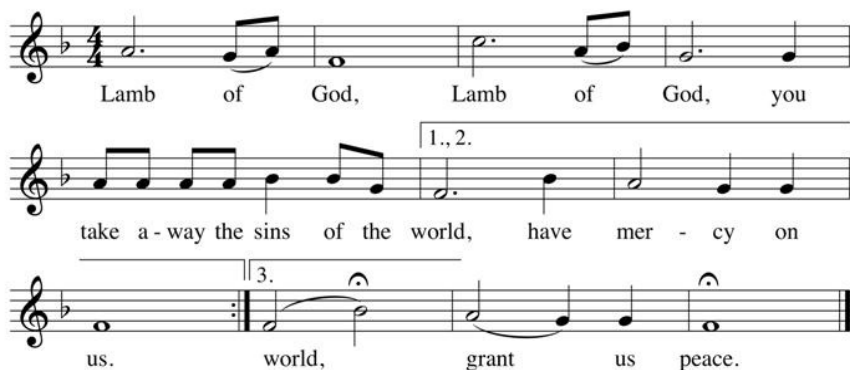
### *(Sit)* **Communion Distribution**

*Lutherans believe that in Holy Communion we are offered the Body and Blood of Christ for the forgiveness of our sins. Baptized adults who share this belief with us are welcome to come forward to receive Holy Communion. Children who are members of other congregations who have been baptized and take communion at their church are welcome to commune with us. Others, including children, may come forward to receive a blessing.*

*Those communing may receive the wafer in their hand and you may receive the wine by individual cup. The ushers will direct you to communion.*

### **Communion Hymns**

**“Lamb Of God”**  
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## **“O Day of Rest and Gladness”**

ELW521

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- 1. O day of rest and gladness, o day of joy and light,  
O balm for care and sadness, Most beautiful, most bright:  
On you the high and lowly, through ages joined in tune,  
Sing, “Holy, holy, holy,” to the great God triune.**
- 2. On you, at earth’s creation, the light first had its birth;  
On you, for our salvation, Christ rose from depths of earth;  
On you, our Lord victorious the Spirit sent from heav’n.  
And thus on you, most glorious, a three fold light was given**
- 3. Today on weary nations the heav’nly manna falls;  
To holy convocations the silver trumpet calls,  
Where Gospel light is glowing with pure and radiant beams  
And living water flowing with soul refreshing streams.**
- 4. New graces ever gaining from this our day of rest,  
We reach the rest remaining to spirits of the blest.  
To Holy Ghost be praises, to Father, and to Son;  
The Church its voice upraises to you, blest Three in One.**

## **“Where Charity and Love Prevail”**

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- 1. Where charity and love prevail,  
there God is ever found;  
Brought here together by Christ’s love,  
by love are we thus bound.**
- 2. With grateful joy and holy fear  
God’s charity we learn;  
Let us with heart and mind and soul  
now love God in return.**



3. Let us recall that in our midst  
dwells Christ, God's begotten Son;  
as members of his body joined,  
in him, we are made one.
4. Let strife among us be unknown,  
let all contentions cease;  
Be God's the glory that we seek,  
be his ours only peace.
5. Let us forgive each other's faults  
as we our faults confess;  
that we may love each other well  
in Christian gentleness.

*(Stand) Post Communion Blessing*

P: May this, the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,  
strengthen you, keeping you steadfast in your faith for life  
everlasting.

C: Amen.



## *Post Communion Canticle*

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Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace;  
your word has been ful - filled. My own eyes have seen the sal -  
va - tion which you have pre - pared in the sight of all people: a  
light to re - veal you to the na - tions and the glo - ry of your  
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son,  
and to the Ho - ly Spir - it: as it was in the be - gin - ning, is  
now, and will be for - ev - er. A - - men

## *Post Communion Prayer*

**A:** We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## ***Benediction***

P: Let us bless the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

P: The Lord bless you ...

**C: Amen.**

*("In view of God's mercy I urge you brothers and sisters to offer yourselves as living sacrifices to God". Romans 12.1*

*We leave worship to re-enter the world as the redeemed Children of God – salt and light for a benighted world.)*

## ***Closing Hymn***

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"Our Father By Whose Name"

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1. Our Fa-ther, by whose name all par-ent-hood is known,  
in love di-vine you claim each fam-'ly as your own.  
Bless moth-ers, fa-thers, guard-ing well,  
with con-stant love as sen-ti-nel,  
the homes in which your peo-ple dwell.
3. O Ho-ly Spi-rit, bind our hearts in u-ni-ty  
and teach us how to find the love from self set free;  
in all our hearts such love in-crease that ev-'ry home,  
by this re-lease,  
may be the dwel-ling place of peace.

## ***Sending***

A: Go in peace to serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## ***Organ Postlude***

"Benedicimus Te" from "Messe 6"

Andre Raison

## SERVING US IN WORSHIP

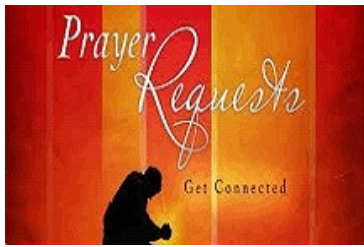
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<b>Acolyte</b>	Leyla Pineda
<b>Reader</b>	Stephany Sims
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Agnes Jones, Agnes Brown, Helen Jones, Dianne Yohe
<b>Ushers</b>	Rebecca Mitchell, Pat Broady
<b>Counters</b>	John Geisler, Harry Sessums, Clay Goldston

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## ***Ascension Lutheran Church Prayer Request***

*Please put your prayer requests in the  
Prayer Diary at the rear of the Sanctuary so we can  
add your need to our prayers.*

***Connie Deas and family***, upon the recent passing of her husband **Jerome**.

***Kathy Sessums, and family*** upon the recent passing of her father **John Helbert**.

***Jenny DeMaio***, prayers for healing.

***Keith Greer***, Prayers for healing

***Mary West***, Prayers for healing.

***Louvenia Morehead*** Prayers for continued healing.

***Georgianna Lambert*** prayers for healing.

***Susie Nilsson***, prayers for healing.

***Helen Riley***, Prayers for continued healing.

***Olivia Powell***, Prayers for continued healing.

***Dolores Prather***, Prayers for healing

***Robin Sands***, Prayers for healing.

***Joyce Bailey***, Prayers for continued healing.

***Amy Jordan-Dawson***, Undergoing chemotherapy, prayers for healing.

***Alice Gaither***, Prayers for healing.

***Kent & Walt Nilsson***, Prayers for improved vision.

## ***Ascension Shut-Ins:***

*Laura Brooks; John DellaGatta; Lois Flemming;  
Samuel Malachi, Georgianna Lambert; Olivia Powell;  
Arthur & Mildred Smith, Helen Riley.*



## **Voter's Meeting** *Sunday, June 26, 2022*

*Positions Open For Election*

*President*

*Vice President*

*Secretary*

*Financial Secretary*

*Board of Elders*

*Board of Evangelism*

*Board of Social Ministry*

*Board of Building & Grounds*

*Please contact one of the following if you are interested in filling one of the positions: Agnes Brown, Marj Nilsson, or Clay Goldston*



### **ATTENTION: SENIORS**

The Senior Vision Team would like to share some information on Memory, along with two upcoming Webinars presented by ***Adult Lutherans Organized for Action (ALOA)***. The topics are around Older Adults in Ministry. The dates are: Thursday, June 23 and Thursday, August 25.

You will be able to register directly on the e-mail you will receive. For questions or additional information, contact Ginny Lee.

## Help! Ascension needs your help!

People are needed to fill the following vacancies on the Church Council:

Vice President  
Financial Secretary  
Stewardship Board  
Board of Buildings and Grounds

As you prayerfully ponder which position you can fill, know that you will not be alone. There are others who will help you to get started on your way.

**Your Church needs you! The election is June 26.**

Thanks!

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### **Pastoral Call Committee:**

Our Call Committee has met twice now, and we plan to meet again on Tuesday, June 28. Soon the timeline and the framework will be hammered out. We will be editing our congregation profile and invite your input. We anticipate having a meeting of the whole congregation to move that needed document forward.

Please contact any of the committee members with your concerns. Mike Walker, Chairman, Annette Singletary, John Corkill, Morris Hymes, Jr., Melanie Demones, Andy House, Stephany Sims or Darrell Dockery.

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# Ascension Weekly

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## Information & Notices

June 19 2022

### Services

#### Divine Worship

Sunday at 9:00 am

**Holy Communion** is  
celebrated in most services.

#### Holy Baptism

Arrangements for Baptism  
can be made with the  
Church Office.

#### Weddings

Weddings for active  
Ascension members are  
arranged with the Church  
Office

### Please Note

**Bible Hour:** Bible classes  
for all ages meet on Sundays  
after worship, except during  
summer. For information  
contact Dianne Yohe or  
Jenny DeMaio.

*(Returning This Fall)*

#### Staff:

Gwen Neal      Office Mgr.  
Ken Kepler    Parish Musician

Office open Mon-Fri., 8-4:30  
Closed Holidays.

Send your **email address**  
to the Church Office at  
[ascenluth@aol.com](mailto:ascenluth@aol.com).

**“Becoming Caring Servants Who Extend Life in Christ  
To Diverse People”**

## This Week at Ascension

**Sunday, June 19**

**Second Sunday of Pentecost**

|          |                         |
|----------|-------------------------|
| 9:00 am  | Worship                 |
| 10:30 am | Youth Gathering Meeting |
| 6:00 pm  | Sunday @ 6              |

**Sunday, June 26**

**Third Sunday of Pentecost**

|         |                 |
|---------|-----------------|
| 9:00 am | Worship         |
|         | Voter's Meeting |
| 6:00 pm | Sunday @ 6      |

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### Altar Flowers Are Presented By

**Sam & Gloria Malachi** in Honor of their Anniversary  
**Ralph & Bette Carpio** in Honor of their Anniversary  
both celebrating their 58<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary



**Altar Flowers**

*Please Note* that flowers will only be provided when they are sponsored by members. Sign-up sheets are located on the bulletin board in the Church Office Wing.

|                         |                |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| <i>Altar Flowers</i>    | <b>\$50.00</b> |
| <i>Sanctuary Lights</i> | <b>\$ 5.00</b> |

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## **Coming Events**

**TODAY Youth Gathering Meeting** will be held following the worship service in the Meeting Room. All participants and parents are asked to attend this very important meeting. If you have any questions, or if you're unable to attend, please contact Dawn Doakes.

**June 26 Voter's Meeting**

**June 26 Annual Youth Swim Picnic**

This year's Youth Swim Picnic will take place after the Worship Service on Sunday, June 26th at the New Carrollton Pool, 6250 Westbrook Drive, New Carrollton, MD 20784. All youth and their families are invited for a fun-filled day of swimming and picnicking. For more information and to RSVP, contact Dianne Yohe or Dawn Doakes.

**Aug. 15 Hayes Scholarship Deadline**

Applications are located on the narthex table. Submission deadline is August 15, 2022.

## **Youth Gathering Stock Exchange**

Our 2022 LCMS National Youth Gathering STOCK EXCHANGE IS NOW OPEN FOR BUSINESS! For a donation of \$25, you will receive a Stock Certificate to help support one of our three SONRAYS (Kevin, Leyla and Sage) who will be attending the LCMS National Youth Gathering in Houston, Texas next summer. Your share will entitle you to a special "Thank You" plus a postcard, text message and/or photos from Minneapolis. Look for the Stock Exchange flyer/form for more information. Thanks for your support and prayers for our youth!

Peace and blessings,

*Dawn Doakes*

## Birthdays & Anniversaries



Mylee Robinson, Candace Jones  
Dolores Prather, Chennette Wells

Ralph & Bette Carpio  
Samuel & Gloria Malachi



## SERVING US IN WORSHIP, Next Sunday, June 26

|                    |                                                               |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Pastor</b>      | Stephen Mentz, Pastor                                         |
| <b>Musician</b>    | Ken Kepler, Parish Musician                                   |
| <b>Assistant</b>   | Morris Hymes, Jr.                                             |
| <b>Acolyte</b>     | Kevin Pineda                                                  |
| <b>Reader</b>      | Yohe Family                                                   |
| <b>Altar Guild</b> | Gloria Malachi, Kathy Garrett,<br>Roberta White, Barbara Thom |
| <b>Ushers</b>      | John Corkill, Calvin Lee,<br>Ekanem Ekanem                    |
| <b>Counters</b>    | John Geisler                                                  |