

Parish Notes

Welcome to Worship

November 23, 2025

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Gathered and gifted to celebrate and share the love of Jesus

SUNDAY 8:30 am - Adult Bible Study

9:30 am - Worship

9:45 am - Children's Sunday School during worship

10:30 am - Fellowship

MONDAY 9:00 am - Friendly Ties Quilters (1st and 3rd Mondays)

TUESDAY 11:00am - Bible Study

WEDNESDAY 1:00 pm - Book Club

THURSDAY 1:00 pm - Shepherding Bible Study Group – (3rd Thursday)

- Game Day – (1st Thursday)

1:00 pm - Movie Day – (4th Thursday) (canx this month)

6:30 pm - Church Council meeting – (2nd Thursday)

FRIDAY 8:00 pm - AA and Al Anon

SATURDAY 10:00am - WELCA Ladies (Last Saturday of the Month)



December Birthdays

Dee Brown	2
Don Brown	4
Anders Denniston	5
Keith Crater	9
Marc Hughes	14
Billie Petersen	19
Katie Young	19
Calvin Fields	26
Heaven Romero	26
Jamie McConnell	27
John Fritschle	29

Upcoming Events

Today – Family Promise Cleanup at the North Building after Worship/Fellowship

Nov 25 - ReVision @ 5:30

Nov 30 – 1st Sunday of Advent

Dec 4 – Holiday Bazaar Set-Up

Dec 6 – Holiday Bazaar



Thanks to Nate and Maria Schulte for bringing delicious treats to share during coffee hour this morning.

If you would like to help a child/family through Youth Impact this holiday season, please let Kelly know and she will get the information to Nate and Christie. Gifts need to be purchased and delivered to them by Dec 15.



Thank You, to everyone that helped with our Family Promise Host week. We still need to clean up the building. If you are available today after fellowship and can give us a hand it would be greatly appreciated.

Christmas Decorations??? Our gently used decorations are one of the best things the bazaar has to offer. It's a chance for those that might be trying to save money during the holidays but still want to decorate for the holiday. If you have gently used items you would like to donate, you can bring them to church anytime between now and December 4th. Just leave a note on them that says, "for the bazaar" and we'll put them where they need to go.

Family Promise Looking for Volunteers

We are currently looking for a **few volunteers** to serve

as receptionists, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to noon. This role includes answering the door and responding to phone calls. Would you be willing to share this opportunity with individuals who might be interested? Since this is an ongoing need, we are hoping to find volunteers who can commit to a specific day each week. We would also love to have a few substitute volunteers available.



Let's help keep the Food Pantry's stocked up. Thank You So Much!

Ascension's Giving Through October 31st

Although we reported giving numbers through the 3rd Quarter of 2025 as being close to anticipated amounts, the month of October was a slow month for giving to our General Fund. We are about \$6,000 short of where we should be for this time of year. If you are wondering about your 2025 giving figures or where you are with your 2025 pledge for Ascension, I will have your year-to-date figures available during the Sundays in November and December. Call or see Pat Refsdal to view those figures, or if you need any other help or information. Pat Refsdal - 908-625-2039

Local Food Pantry Visits

Sunday School students and Ascension members visited the Tri-City Exchange Food Pantry in North Ogden this past Wednesday to deliver food items; tour their food pantry and present a \$300 check from the Noisy Offering. Mike and his staff described all the smaller local food pantries and school districts that receive food and support from his location. They have food available on the shelf on Tuesday and Thursdays, but on Friday, they give out several boxes of food to almost 2000 people.

Our next food pantry trip will be Sunday, November 23rd at 11:30 am as we tour the Martha's Food Pantry at Griffin Memorial Church of God in Christ located at 2424 South E Street. The food pantry provides food weekly and has been a blessing to many. It has also bridged cultural gaps and transcended language barriers, as their church building is located in West Ogden, which is heavily populated with Spanish-speaking residents. Everybody, come join us and bring a food item with you and if you need a ride, contact Pat Refsdal at 908-625-2039.

If you don't have plans for Thanksgiving, You Are Cordially Invited



Thanksgiving Day
Thursday, November 27, 2025
2:00 p.m. — 4:30 p.m.
Ascension Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

SIGN-UP IN THE NARTHEX

Bring a side dish and let's give thanks together for our faith and friendship!

Not a cook, drinks, rolls, dips or chips are welcome!















New Flower Chart is Available for 2026

If you would like to sign-up for flowers for 2026, there is a new chart in the Narthex/Fellowship Hall. The cost is \$30 total for two altar bouquets which can be taken home or given to a member who could use a pick-me-up. You can sign the chart and add a dedication. The envelopes are available to pay for flowers and can be placed in the offering plate. Contact Pat Refsdal, 908-625-2039 if you have any questions.

A Family In Need this Holiday Season

Dear Ascension Family,

The Spencer family—Pastor Gordon's daughter and Katie's sister—could use some extra love and support this holiday season. As you'll read below, they are facing significant challenges right now.

We have set up a Giving Tree in the Narthex with tags listing items the family truly needs, along with a few things that would help make their Christmas brighter. Please consider taking one or more tags from the tree. Together, let's share the love of Christ and bless this family during this season of giving.

Sean and Liz are married they have a blended family with up to 8 kids living with them depending on the week.

They live in a trailer in the back yard. The house is Sean's mothers.

Sean was a roofer until he fell off a roof and broke his neck in September 2024. Workman's Comp only paid for one surgery, he needs another. He has warehouse experience but until he has his next surgery on his other shoulder he can't lift more than a gallon of milk. Once he has his surgery he has 6 months recovery time before he can work again.

Liz is raising a blended family; she takes Milo age 10 and Max age 7 to private school. They both have autism and the public school system does not support their needs. Their biological father is not supportive. They have school uniforms with khaki-colored pants and red or blue shirts

Wyatt and Ryann have the same biological father. Wyatt chooses to live with Liz. Ryann lives every other week with Liz. He has high functioning autism. Wyatt works full time for Kent's Market in Plain city and has graduated high school this year.

Hayden is Sean's son from a previous marriage; he is developmentally delayed. His mother is mentally unstable and unable to care for him.

Here is a list of the kids, as well as the things that are on the gift tags of the tree, please bring all items to the church by Dec 14. You can wrap them if you like. Also, bring the receipts so that exchanges can be made for things that don't fit properly.

Twins 5 months Size 3 diapers unfortunately has to be Huggies others cause a rash 3-6 month clothes 0-6mon socks
Toys anything age appropriate

Gracie 2 years size 3-4t pull-ups 2T-3T cloths 2T socks Size 7 toddler shoes

Loves anything mini mouse ,books and baby dolls or pretend play

Maxson

Size 8 pants ,7-8 shirt Size med socks 2.5 shoes

Loves the color blue

Super into hot wheels, marble runs Legos, Scooby doo & goosebump books

Milo

Size 14 pants and shirts

Large socks

5.5 -6 shoe

Loves orange or red

Into board/card games. Anything that is a fox or has them on/init, music, tech stuff or things he can build, books

Ryann 16

Is tricky with clothes he is 28-30 in waist but 34 in length t shirts are large but due to his autism has to be plane. No pictures/emblems or fabric tags loves brighter colors but not neon

Size 9 shoe. Large socks

Is into lose leaf tea, popcorn (air pop), documentary s and cats. Ear bud that doesn't go over the ear or have wires (that freaks him out) books

Hayden 16

Size 34-30 pant

Large shirts

Socks large

Shoes 9 and 1/2

Likes survival / camping fishing things, welding and 3d printing (thank you Fremont 2) manly jewelry and dragons

Likes the color orange

Wyatt 18

34-32 pants

Large-Xl shirts

Size 9 shoe

Loves the color orange

Likes books, cooking, fitness, Outdoor stuff

Please Lift Up in Prayer

- Lynn Benson and Family
- Tracie Truitt, friend of Alyson's
- Cory, Nancy Gale's son
- Jessica Stewart, Dick Graves's daughter
- Jefferson Barrett
- Maylan Chugg, Don & Dee's granddaughter
- Chris, friend of Alyson W.
- Henry, Nancy G's grandson
- Cheryl, friend of Alyson
- Mark Hughes and family
- Dick Graves
- Suzy and her family
- Alice, Anastasia, and all the people affected by the war in Ukraine
- Brian Washburn, Kamberlynne's dad
- Terry, Dee Brown's brother
- Ruth Dupee, friend of Maria
- Lynn & Carol Benson
- Don Hughes
- Don and Dee Brown
- Sue, Sharen's sister
- Dean and Val, Mike's brother and sister-in-law
- Steve Morlan
- Diana Warkentin
- David Stuart
- Sharen's Mahjong Group
- Babs B.
- Anne E.
- Baylee Rose, Danette's grandbaby

- Judy Neilsen, Carolyn's Aunt in law
- Michelle, friend of Pastor Debra
- Paula Del Carlo
- Casey, friend of Dick Graves
- Pam Burbank
- Steve, Pastor & James' son-in-law
- Judy P.
- Patti, Shari's daughter
- John Warkentin
- Frank, Diana Warkentin's brother
- Laura V, friend of Dana
- Rodney, Rhonda Joa's brother
- Lisa Samples, friend of Kelly
- Grace Bowen (Scothern)

†Praying for Loved Ones in the Military or deployed:

- Steve Johnson
- Kaleb Tarr, Ethan Lee, Michael Connelly (deployed 13 July 17, 2021)
- Dariyan Edsinger
- Mason Bushey and his wife Ida, and family
- Brody Wilcock
- Renee Kiel
- Justin Kiel
- Kris Kiel
- Matt Malde
- Jason Chugg
- Alex Treadway

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, or would like to be added to our Prayer Warrior email group, please send Kelly an email jeffnkelly2@msn.com

November Ascension Ministries

SUN	WORSHIP ASST	ALTAR GUILD	USHERS	GREETERS	ANNOUNCEMENT S	Stewardship For Gods Gory COUNTERS
Nov 2	Kelly Martin	Kim Engelby	Todd & Renee Hart	John & Diana Warkentin	Council Member	Renee Hart
Nov 9	Arliss Zimmerman	Kim Engelby	Patti Hall & Stefani Rhees	CJ Jordan	Council Member	CJ Jordan
Nov 16	Andee Engelby	Kim Engelby	Sharen Kamp	Stefani Rhees	Council Member	Paula Del Carlo
Nov 23	Russ Smith	Kim Engelby	James Jimenez	Joanna Wolf	Council Member	Debra Larsen
Nov 30	Patti Hall	Kim Engelby	Russ Smith	Dave Filanda	Council Member	Joanna Wolf

If you have articles or information for the parish notes this week, they need to be to Kelly by 5pm this Wednesday.