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Parish Notes

Welcome to Worship

November 30, 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 (1 st and 3 rd Mondays)
TUESDAY	11:00am	-	Bible Study
WEDNESDAY	1:00 pm	-	Book Club
THURSDAY	1:00 pm	-	Shepherding Bible Study Group – (3 rd Thursday)
		-	Game Day – (1 st Thursday)
	1:00 pm	-	Movie Day – (4 th Thursday) (canx this month)
	6:30 pm	-	Church Council meeting – (2 nd 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

Nov 30 – 1st Sunday of Advent

Dec 4 – Holiday Bazaar Set-Up @9am

Dec 6 – Holiday Bazaar 8-2pm

Dec 14 – Annual Congregational Meeting after worship



Thanks to Paula Martin-Crater, Keith Crater and Heaven 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.

Christmas Poinsettias

We will be collecting donations and dedications for Christmas Poinsettias to beautify our worship services in honor or memory of a loved one. The poinsettias will be used to decorate our sanctuary during worship on Christmas Eve. Each poinsettia donated costs \$10. You may pick up your donated poinsettia after the Christmas Eve worship service. Cash or checks (made out to Ascension Lutheran Church) may be given to Pat Refsdal, Arliss Zimmerman or put in the offering plate. The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex – please include your name and your dedication

Giving Tree – There are still a few items left on the tree. Thank you so much for helping out this family during holiday.

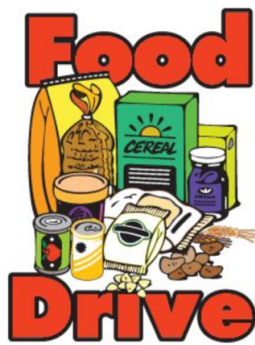
Need Your Help with a Few Small Projects

1. Looking for snow shovelers, if needed, who have the time and want the exercise who are available for future storms, contact Pat Refsdal, 908-625-2039
2. Looking for someone to check-out the snowblower to ensure it is ready for winter.
3. If anyone has some spare time to string some Christmas lights in the church breezeway and arrange Poinsettias for Christmas, contact Pat Refsdal.
4. Also looking for additional counters to help lighten the load on our Counting Team.

Downsizing or Decluttering Your 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.

Local Food Pantry Visits Sunday School students and Ascension members have visited both the Tri-City Exchange Food Pantry in North Ogden and Youth Impact in Ogden these past few weeks to deliver food items; tour their food pantries and present \$300 checks from the Noisy Offering. On Sunday, November 23rd we visited Martha's Food Pantry at Griffin Memorial Church of God in Christ in West Ogden. The food pantry provides food to local and Spanish-speaking residents weekly. We toured their spacious facilities and presented food and a \$300 check for food purchases. Thank you for your generosity!!



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

New Hymn of the day this week. If you want to listen here's the link. We will be doing a paired down version.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NVN2bnjBICU&list=RDNVN2bnjBICU&start_radio=1

Music is on the next pages if you would like to print it out.

He Shall Reign Forevermore

Words and Music by
Chris Tomlin and Matt Maher


VERSE 1

♩ = 122 Bm G D A Bm



1. In the bleak mid - win - ter all cre - a - tion groans for a world in

6 G D A Em7 G D



dark - ness, fro - zen like a stone. Light is break - ing in a sta - ble for a throne.

CHORUS 1a

12 A Bm G D A/C# Bm



And He shall reign for - ev - er - more, for - ev - er - more. And He shall reign

18 G D A/C# Bm



for - ev - er - more, for - ev - er - more. Un - to us a Child

22 G D A Bm G



is born, the King of kings and Lord of lords. And He shall reign for - ev - er - more,

INSTRUMENTAL

27 D 2nd time to Coda A/C# Bm G D A



for - ev - er - more.

VERSE 2

Bm G D A/C# Bm G
 2. If I were a wise man, I would trav - el far. If I were a shep - herd,
 39 D F#m7 Em7 G D
 I would do my part. But, poor as I am, I will give to Him my heart.
 44 A *D.S. al Coda*
 And

BRIDGE

A/C# Bm G D
 45 *Coda*
 Here with - in a man - ger lies the One who made the star -
 49 A/C# Bm G D A/C#
 ry skies, this ba - by born for sac - ri - fice: Christ, the Mes - si - ah! In - to
 54 Bm G D A/C# Bm
 our hopes, in - to our fears the Sav - ior of the world ap - pears, the prom - ise of e - ter -

CHORUS 1b

G/B D/A A D G/D
 59
 nal years: Christ, the Mes - si - ah! He shall reign for - ev - er - more,

64 D A/D D/F# G D/A

for - ev - er - more. And He shall reign for - ev - er - more, for - ev - er - more.

CHORUS 1a

69 A Bm G D A/C# Bm

He shall reign for - ev - er - more, for - ev - er - more. And He shall reign

[illegible]

80 D A Bm G D

of kings and Lord of lords. And He shall reign for - ev - er - more, for - ev - er - more.

ENDING

85 **ENDING** 1 2

A/C# Bm G D A A

The musical notation shows a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The melody is written on a single staff. The first measure is a whole note chord A/C#. The second measure is a whole note chord Bm. The third measure is a whole note chord G. The fourth measure is a whole note chord D. The fifth measure is a whole note chord A. The sixth measure is a whole note chord A. The piece ends with a double bar line.

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“Wise Women Also Came” by Jan Richardson

Wise Women Also Came – A Women’s Christmas Retreat

Saturday, January 10, 2026

10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Our Savior’s Lutheran Church, Holladay, UT

Dear Utah Conference Churches,

My name is DanaLee Simon and I am a Pastor in the UT Conference of ELCA Churches. I am excited to lead our second annual Women’s Christmas Retreat on Saturday, January 10, 2026 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. We will gather at Our Savior’s Lutheran (2500 E 3900 S, Holladay, UT 84124) and I would love for you to come.

Our theme this year, *Wise Women Also Came*, will once again be based on a resource by pastor, poet and author, Jan Richardson. I love her explanation of what a Women’s Christmas celebration is all about. “There is a custom, rooted in Ireland, of celebrating Epiphany (January 6, which brings the Christ-mas season to a close) as Women’s Christmas. (It) originated as a day when the women, who often carried the domestic responsibilities all year, took Epiphany as an occasion to celebrate together at the end of the holidays. . . , Whether your domestic commitments are many or few, Women’s Christmas offers an opportunity to pause and step back from whatever has kept you busy and hurried in the past weeks or months. As the Christmas season ends, this is an occasion both to celebrate with friends and also to spend time in reflection before diving into what this new year will hold.”

It is in this spirit that we will come together. We will begin by sharing brunch, and then dive more deeply into our theme, together, through art, poetry, music, prayer, and connective conversation. I look forward to seeing you and connecting us all together in this fun and meaningful gathering.

The registration fee for this retreat is \$30. Scholarships are available. Please let Pastor DanaLee know if you are in need of one. Payment will be taken on the day of the retreat via cash, check or Venmo. Please register and reserve your spot by e-mailing DanaLee and letting her know you will be attending. Include your name, phone number and congregation. Her e-mail address is sagehillwisdom@gmail.com.

Questions? Do not hesitate to reach out to Pastor DanaLee at the e-mail address above. Or, reach out to your congregational contact for this event.

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 🧑🏻) 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








- The Family and Friends of Pat's cousin Gary
- 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, Kamberlynn'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

December
Ascension Ministries

 SUN	 WORSHIP ASST	 ALTAR GUILD	 USHERS	 GREETERS	 ANNOUNCEMENT S	 COUNTERS
Nov 30	Patti Hall	Kim Engelby	Russ Smith	Dave Filanda	Council Member	Joanna Wolf
Dec 7	Katie Young	Kim Engelby	Todd & Renee Hart	John & Diana Warkentin	Council Member	Renee Hart
Dec 14	Maria Sculte	Kim Engelby	Patti Hall & Stefani Rhees	CJ Jordan	Council Member	CJ Jordan
Dec 21	Kim Engelby	Kim Engelby	Sharen Kamp	Stefani Rhees	Council Member	Paula Del Carlo
Dec 28	Kelly Martin	Kim Engelby	James Jimenez	Joanna Wolf	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 Friday.