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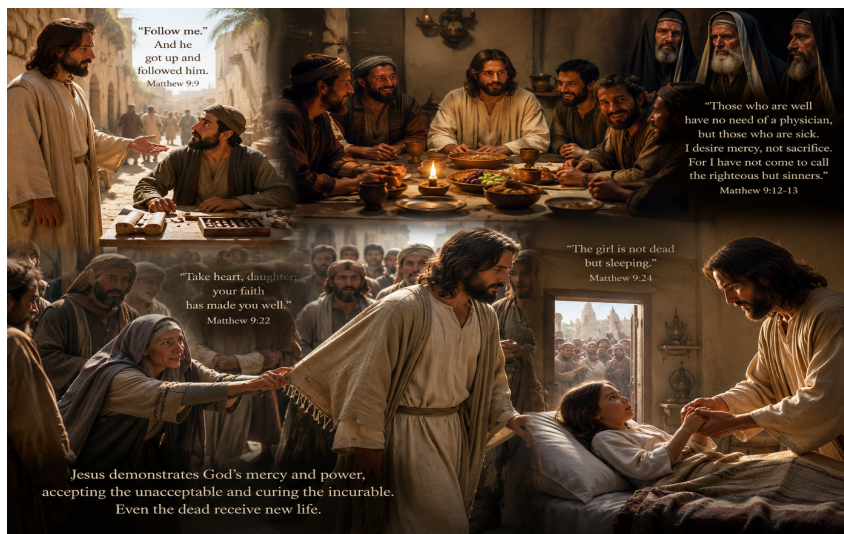
# Parish Notes

## Welcome to Worship

June 7, 2026

*Gathered and gifted to celebrate and share the love of Jesus*

<b>SUNDAY</b>	8:30 am	-	Adult Bible Study
	9:30 am	-	Worship
	9:45 am	-	Children's Sunday School during worship
	10:30 am	-	Fellowship
<b>MONDAY</b>	9:00 am	-	Friendly Ties Quilters (1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mondays)
<b>TUESDAY</b>	11:00am	-	Bible Study
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	1:00 pm	-	Book Club cancelled this week
<b>THURSDAY</b>	1:00 pm	-	Game Day – (1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday)
	1:00 pm	-	Movie Day – (4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday)
	6:30 pm	-	Church Council meeting – (2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday)
<b>FRIDAY</b>	8:00 pm	-	AA and Al Anon
<b>SATURDAY</b>	10:00am	-	WELCA Ladies (Last Saturday of the Month)



## June Birthdays

Lisa Mattenson	1
Laurie Lynn Reinen	1
Nicole Shane	5
Karen Wilbur	7
Devin Douglas	11
Kamberlyne Washburn	16
Marian Scothern	17
Judy Sherman	19
Greta Draskovic	20
Todd Hart	24
Kim Engelby	27
Mike Otto	28



Thank you to Jessica Glover for providing the altar flowers this morning in honor of her parent's wedding anniversary.

## Upcoming Events

- Jun 9** – Bible Study @ 11
- Jun 10** – Book Club @1
- Jun 11** – Council Meeting
- Jun 21** – Father's Day
- Jul 12** – Congregational Meeting
- Aug 2-9** – Family Promise Host Week
- Sep 13** – God's Work Our Hands
- Sep 24** – Family Promise Rise & Shine Breakfast Fundraiser
- Sep 26** – Family Promise 5K Fun Run



Thanks to Russ and Lucie Smith for bringing treats for coffee hour this morning.

## Thanks for the Help with Landscaping

Thank you to Kim Engelby for pulling weeds and clean-up around the church and the CLC this week.

An additional quick project needed is to use a weed trimmer to clear the grass matting around each pop-up sprinkler head along 1100 North, right next to the curb. The deep grass mat is restricting the pop-up sprinklers from properly watering the grass boulevard along 1100 North. Contact Pat Refsdal, 908-625-2039 for more details.

## Building Committee Update

This coming Monday, JG&M Contractors will begin sanding and refinishing the parquet flooring in the sanctuary. The dark oak wood riser edge around the altar area will also be repaired. The work should take 4-5 days and should not interfere with worship services the following Sunday.

HELP KEEP OUR  
**Parking Lot**  
**Pantry & Library** ♥

Small donations make a **BIG** difference!

TAKE WHAT YOU NEED ♥ LEAVE WHAT YOU CAN ♥ SHARE WITH NEIGHBORS

Thank you for supporting our community!

**PANTRY DONATIONS**  
*We Appreciate* ♥

- ♥ Canned foods
- ♥ Boxed meals & pasta
- ♥ Peanut butter
- ♥ Shelf-stable snacks
- ♥ Hygiene items

*Every item helps feed our neighbors. Thank you! ♥*

**FOR THE LIBRARY**

Kids, young adult, and adult books are welcome.

**FICTION BOOKS GO FAST!**

TAKE A BOOK  
 ♥  
 SHARE A BOOK

**TOGETHER, we can make a big difference in our community!** ♥

## Update from the Financial Secretary

With the close-out of May, we are 1/3 of the way through the year with our Tithes and Offerings for 2026. Thank you for your generosity as our general giving stands at about 40% for the year. Yay!!

Other Thankful Facts for 2026:

We have received \$428 from Thrivent Dollars given by our members.

We have received \$310 from Smith's Inspiring Donations.

We have received \$550 for usage of the ALC & CLC buildings this year.

We have collected \$1290 from Noisy Offering, currently for Family Promise.

We have received \$2830 from members for additional CLC debt reduction.

Thank you, thank you!!

**Thinking about Christmas yet?** Probably not, because it's only June, but many of us are working projects for the Holiday Bazaar. Kim Engelby has started canning jams. With the freezes earlier this the price of fruit has increased and the trees of people who donate fruit every year won't get any fruit this year. If you aren't sure how you can help, maybe you would consider a monetary donation to help with the supplies. If you donate to the bazaar supplies, please make sure you mark it on your donation so the financial secretary can record it correctly.

**No YouTube in June.** Eric and Pat are taking a well-deserved vacation so there won't be a YouTube video available after the service. Services will be streamed live on Facebook, and the video are available for 4 weeks after the recording.

**Speaking of Vacation...**Jeff and I will be gone in July. I'm looking for someone to bake communion bread while I'm gone. I also need someone that will livestream the worship service. I have the computer, it's not difficult to do, and will be happy to show you how to do. I you can help please let me know.

Thanks, Kelly  
801-920-6476

## Special Congregational Meeting

July 12th  
Immediately following  
worship.



## A Message from Katie Young

As some of you heard in church last Sunday, we have reached the seventh step in the process of calling a new pastor: completing the Transition Report. Over the next week, the Transition Team will finalize the report, which reflects the input gathered through our Learning Circles, and submit it to the council for review at our June 11 meeting.

With this step nearly complete, we are ready to form a Call Committee. The role of the Call Committee is to build on the work of the Transition Team by discerning the candidate who is best suited to lead our congregation into God's future and recommending that person to the congregation for a call.

We need your help, Ascension. We are seeking six members of the congregation to serve on the Call Committee. This is an important opportunity to help prayerfully discern the right pastoral candidate for our church at this time. If you are interested in serving, please contact me or any member of the council. The deadline for nominees for the Call Committee is June 30, 2026. Ascension's Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, July 12, 2026.

Peace of Christ,  
Katie Young,  
President  
Ascension Lutheran Church Council  
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If you would like to bring a pie to celebrate Father's Day Jun 21, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex.

### Please Lift Up in Prayer

- Pastor Debra & James
- Pat & Eric Refsdal & Family
- The Family of Don Brown
- The Family of Robert Tolle
- Tracie Truitt, friend of Alyson's
- Maylan Chugg, Don & Dee's granddaughter
- Chris, friend of Alyson W.
- Amanda, friend of Alyson W.
- Jefferson Barrett
- 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
- 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
- Steve, Pastor & James' son-in-law
- Pam Burbank








- Judy P.
- Frank, Diana Warkentin's brother
- Laura V, friend of Dana
- Lisa Samples, friend of Kelly
- Bill Britt, friend of Pastor Debra
- Keith Jacques
- Carolyn Day Slon
- Cindy Day
- Cindy Cutlip
- Mary Ann Thompson
- Lisa, friend of Stef Rhees
- Paul friend of Kelly
- Alli Spinden friend of Cindy Day
- Danette Cornell
- Brenda Makala
- Callie Simpson and Cassie Barker
- Pastor Gordon
- Dennis, friend of Nancy O.

### †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](mailto:jeffnkelly2@msn.com)

**June**  
**Ascension Ministries**

 <b>SUN</b>	 <b>WORSHIP ASST</b>	 <b>ALTAR GUILD</b>	 <b>USHERS</b>	 <b>GREETERS</b>	 <b>ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>	 <b>COUNTERS</b>
Jun 7	Katie Young	Kim Engelby	Todd & Renee Hart	John & Diana Warkentin	Council Member	Renee Hart
Jun 14	Maria Schulte	Kim Engelby	Sharen Kamp & Ada Ingram	CJ Jordan	Council Member	CJ Jordan
Jun 21	Kim Engelby	Kim Engelby	Patti Hall & Stefani Rhees	Stefani Rhees	Council Member	Paula Del Carlo
Jun 28	Kelly Martin	Kim Engelby	Dave Filanda	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 Friday.