

Parish Notes

Welcome to Worship

August 16, 2020

For help with Covid-19 needs or Pastoral needs contact Pat Refsdal @ 908-625-2039

Gathered and gifted to celebrate and share the love of Jesus

Ascension Worship Services

September 20th - Ascension Outdoor Worship Service at 9:00 am with Pastor Gordon Young, in the parking lot

September 27th - Ascension Outdoor Worship Service at 9:00 am with Pastor Gordon Young, in the parking lot

October 4,11,18, 25 - Worship Service at 9:00 am with Pastor Gordon Young, in the parking lot, or indoors if inclement weather

Online links will be available after the in-person worship service

Happy 60th Birthday Ascension Lutheran Church

The 60th Anniversary of Ascension Lutheran Church was September 18th.

On September 18, 1960 the first worship service was held at the Horace Mann School Auditorium with 70 members attending.

The Rev Maynard Halvorson was called as the first pastor.

Groundbreaking for the new Ascension church building was January 29, 1961

First worship service in new building was September 17, 1961

The 16th Sunday after Pentecost

Matthew 20:1-16

Challenge of Discipleship - Grace
Focus Question - What surprises you about grace?
For more resources visit

https://search.elca.org/Pages/ResourceResults.aspx?k=daily+discipleship

September Birthdays

Janet Curnutt	1
Bob Bezyack	2
Jim Craig	4
Linda Fallat	6
Tyson Wallace	6
Linda Corey	10
Titus Hughes	14
Ascension	18
LaDonna Stephens	23
Oliva Day	25
Vicki Allred	30



Pastoral Transition

Our pastoral candidate has indicated to us that the Holy Spirit is guiding them and their journey towards the congregation and ministries at Ascension Lutheran Church. They would like to come and visit our congregation to become acquainted with our church family; to see the local area; and look at real estate options. We are currently working to confirm a date and travel/lodging arrangements. A tentative date of October 2-4 is being considered. More information will be available in the upcoming week.

Ascension Giving Numbers Through August

As we work through the transition and begin the process to call a new pastor, it will be vitally important that our financial resources remain solid. If your financial commitment is not current, please consider making a contribution to bring it up to date through August. For August, we should be at 66% of our total giving. Currently, pledged income is at 54% for the year and un-pledged giving is at 47%. In addition to salary and benefits, other costs will be incurred such as visitation and moving expenses to get a new pastor settled into the position. Thank you so much for your generosity!

Goodbye and God Speed

We are sending our love and well wishes to two families who are moving to be closer to family in the Midwest. We will videotape another segment of "Greetings from the Porch" next week and include their farewells.

Karla Davis is moving to Cincinnati, Ohio to be closer to her daughter. She and her daughter will fly out on September 26th. We have cherished having Karla and Lynn in our church family.

Holly and Eli Else and young George will be moving to Indianola, Iowa for Eli's new job and to be closer to family. They will depart the end of the month. It has been a delight to have them in our church family - but wish the pandemic had not robbed us of more time with George and family.

†Please Lift Up in Prayer:

- The Family of Mildred Tolle
- Lillian Hughes & Family
- Tracie Truitt, friend of Alyson's
- Kristy Shari Morosky's daughter
- Joan Marlow
- Stephanie, niece of Gloria
- Cory, Nancy Byrne's son
- Pam Burbank
- Jessica Stewart, Dick Graves daughter
- Dan Harkin, Lillian Hughes cousin
- Delilah Sell, Lillian Hughes cousin
- Rebecca Rens and the Eyre Families
- Patti, Shari Morosky's sister
- Roy Zimmerman
- Randy and Janie Karas
- Jefferson Barrett
- Kyle and Kristen friends of Kelly
- Karla and Lynn Davis
- Maylan Chugg, Don & Dee's granddaughter
- Julie Jensen, Mike Williams' sister
- Heather Nolting, wife of Arliss' nephew
- Levi Lewis, brother of Kelly's student
- Richard Ower, Craig Butts' stepdad
- Judy Sherman
- Holly & Libby, friends of Kim Engelby
- Matt, friend of Nancy O.
- Gloria Mike
- Chris, friend of Alyson W.
- Bee Dunham, friend of Nancy O.
- Judy Sherman

- Sean Zeller, Pastor Gene's nephew
- Cheryl, friend of Alyson
- Mark Hughes and family
- Richard, Shari Morosky's husband
- Harold and Mary VanDehey, friends of Leo Seeber
- Shelley, Diana Warkentin's friend
- Scott, son of Elaine's friend
- Ardis, Elaine Shelburne's sister
- Jason Shepherd, Nancy Byrne's nephew
- Heidi, Diane Shultz' sister-in-law
- Don Hughes
- Dick Graves
- Jim Johnson, Sharen's brother-in-law
- Skyla and Baby Hines
- Karen O.

+Praying for Loved Ones in the Military:



- Kaleb Tarr
- Dariyan Edsinger
- Mason Bushey and his wife Ida, and family
- Brody Wilcock
- Renee Kiel
- Justin Kiel
- Kris Kiel
- Matt Malde
- Chip Reynolds
- Jason Chugg

Just a Reminder

For two of our community partners, their normal yearly fundraiser is being transformed into a virtual event due to COVID-19. Please consider a donation to these organizations who are closely aligned with our church and our community volunteers:

During September, Family Promise of Ogden - you can give through their website https://familypromiseofogden.org/donate/ or mailing your contribution to Family Promise of Ogden, P.O. Box 13818, Ogden, UT 84412

During October, The Pregnancy Medical Clinic(PMC) will hold a virtual "Banquet for Life" on October 3rd at 7:00pm. Call 801-820-5157 for details or to contribute.

Zoom Bible Study

We have just started our study of 1^{st} Corinthians. There's always room for more, especially in a "ZOOM Room". We meet Thursday at 7 (unless there's a church council meeting) and Sunday afternoon at 1. Here are the links if you want to join in. These are recurring meetings, so the link/password are the same each week.

Thursday

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77541075832?pwd=MWdDUG01dStmK0pSQVhHb1lEYVpuUT09

Meeting ID: 775 4107 5832

Passcode: Study

Kelly Martin is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Sunday

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74401670409?pwd=SUJvbHZ6MUJGeDZabnJXQnhyWWtNUT09

Meeting ID: 744 0167 0409

Passcode: Study

Operation Christmas Child

Boxes are available now to pack for OCC. Collection week is the 3rd week in November so more information to follow, but with all the things going on right now, maybe packing a shoebox for a child will help us focus on what's important.

God's Work Our Hands

A big thank you to everybody who supported our three GWOH projects this past week. Our families participating in the indoor project to create snack and toiletry bags for our deploying military members from Utah donated 49 bags plus additional supplies to support Utah military personnel.

We had five church members who worked on the grounds at the Utah Wildlife Rehabilitation Center doing clean-up and trimming of brush and trees. Thanks to Kelly Martin, Debbye Boe, Hazel Ann Linke, and the Warkentins.

At the North Nature Center Trailhead, we had fourteen church members working with Dave and Paula Stuart to clean-up, mow grass and cut brush. Thanks to Elaine Shelburne, Lori Nelson, Diane Schultz, the Engelbys, the Gorslines, the Harts, the Refsdals and the Stuarts.



















