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# Parish Notes

## Welcome to Worship

November 1, 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

## All Saints Sunday

**Matthew 5:1-12** 

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted." Matthew 5:4

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#### Worship Service for November 1, 2020

This Sunday, Pastor Gordon Young will join us for Holy Communion as we remember those who have entered the church triumphant this past year. We will have 12 lit votive candles to symbolize the 12 Apostles. We will light 6 pillar candles, and the bell will toll, for each member of our congregation who has passed away this year - Jerry Larsen, Mildred Tolle, Dorris Colton, Donald Linke, Shirley Pitcher, and Barbara Brenton. In this new and different time of distancing, we encourage you to light a candle at home in remembrance of those dear to your hearts who have entered into the presence of God in heaven.

#### **Pastoral Transition**

This week we received the Acceptance Letter from Pastor Debra Jimenez. Woohoo, we have a new pastor coming the end of November!! She and Jim will participate in their last worship service on November 22, then head to Utah arriving about November 25th. They have a pending offer on a new-build home in West Haven. It is anticipated that Pastor Debra will lead her first worship service at Ascension Lutheran Church on Sunday, December 6, 2020.

#### Future Indoor Worship Services

As our Covid-19 numbers rise in Weber County and in Utah, the Ascension Church Council has re-evaluated our worship service procedures and made a determination to continue in-person worship in a limited fashion.

It was decided to do the following:

- 1. Encourage those that are at risk or who are unsure, to remain at home
- 2. Emphasize that even with cautions, we are not able to eliminate all the risk
- 3. Since we need to tape a full service at church anyway, let those who want to be at church attend as we tape the service
- 4. Continue to post the service online and continue to use Facebook Live
- 5. Please respect everyone's decision to worship as they feel comfortable to do

Please let us know if you have additional suggestions....

Also, please let us know if you have a worship time preference, 9:00 or 9:30am.

## Rehab of the Pastor's Office

We will be painting, cleaning the carpets and sorting through old books and materials in the pastor's office. A new desk has been donated and will arrive next week. We are in need of help in painting the office area. Please let us know if you can help with painting, Saturday, 7 or 14 November. Contact Pat Refsdal, 908-625-2039, if you are able to paint on either of these Saturdays, or have some availability during the week.

## Council Members

With the many changes this past year in Council Members, here is a current list:

President: Pat Refsdal

Vice President: Kelly Martin

Secretary: Renee Hart

Treasurer: Mylitta Barrett (non-member)

Members: Melinda Tolle, Nancy Gale, Linda Fallat, Eric Engelby & Sharen Kamp

### Thanks to Prospective Eagle Scout Justin Reese

Thanks to Justin Reese for the completion of his Eagle Scout Project to stain existing benches and add four more benches to our Outdoor Chapel area. He, his family, and scouts from his Troop also updated the landscaping and added new gravel to the area. We look forward to his Eagle Scout Ceremony where he will be awarded the Eagle Scout Award. Congratulations to Justin and his family!!

#### **Thanks**

To Jim Craig for adjusting thermostats & fixing the downspout for Kidz Town To Paula DelCarlo for chairing the Finance Committee & and working to improve the synchronization for the Treasurer and Financial Secretary positions To Nancy Otto for the bulletin cover design, liturgy and printing our bulletins To Kelly Martin for coordinating the successful Family Promise Host Week To the Tolle Family for the communion packets we use each week at worship To Sharen Kamp and everybody who contributed to the success of our Open House for Pastor Debra and Jim Jimenez
To everybody involved in making our Confirmation Sunday a success

## 2021 Annual Meeting and Council Vacancies

As a reminder, our Annual Congregational Meeting will be held January 31,2021 after the worship service. We anticipate three Council vacancies, so please consider serving on your Church Council. Ministry Leads, just a reminder that End-of-Year Ministry Final Reports will be due January 4, 2021.

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