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Parish Notes

Welcome to Worship

October 2, 2022

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Gathered and gifted to celebrate and share the love of Jesus

SUNDAY	9:30 am	-	Worship
	10:30 am	-	Fellowship
	11:00 am	-	Adult Bible Study
	11:00 am	-	Teen Sunday School
MONDAY	9:00 am	-	Friendly Ties Quilters (1 st & 3 rd Monday's)
WEDNESDAY	9:00 am	-	Yoga
	1:00 pm	-	Book Club
	6:00 pm	-	Faith Formation/Confirmation
THURSDAY	1:00 pm	-	Shepherding Bible Study Group – (3 rd Thursday)
	6:30 pm	-	Church Council meeting – (2 nd Thursday)
FRIDAY	8:00 pm	-	AA and Al Anon

Lined through events are off for the summer.

18th Sunday after Pentecost

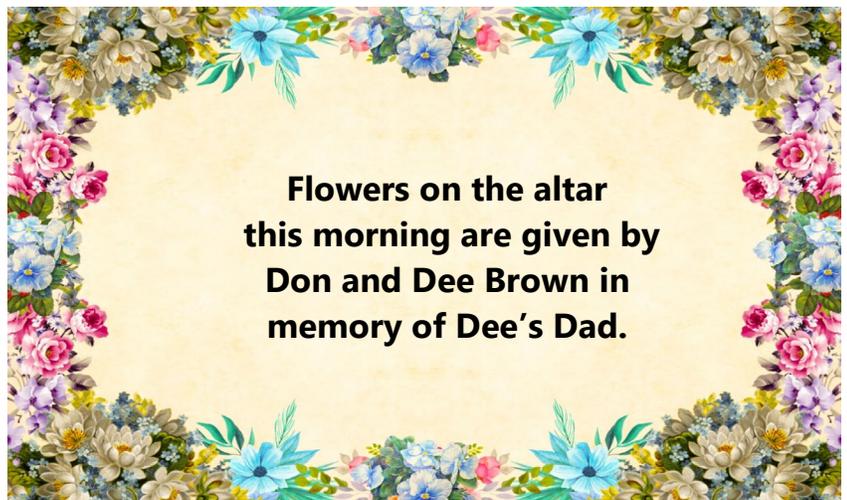
Luke 17:11-19

Stories of Discipleship – A New Gratitude

Focus Question – What fills your heart with gratitude today?

October Birthdays

Ivy & Iyla Wallace	5
Isaac Stephens	10
Pam Burbank	10
Robert Tolle	13
Helen Butler	18
Kelcie Hart	23
Lynn Benson	31
Renee Hart	31



Upcoming Events

- Oct 12** – Book Club 1 PM
- Oct 13** – Council Meeting 6:30
- Oct 28-29** – Yard Sale
- Oct 31** – KidzTown Trunk or Treat
- Nov 20 -27** – Family Promise Week

Blessing Bags

Blessing Bags are available for you to distribute to those in need. They are located on the table in the Fellowship Hall. Early in November, all that remain will be taken to the Homeless Shelter for distribution.



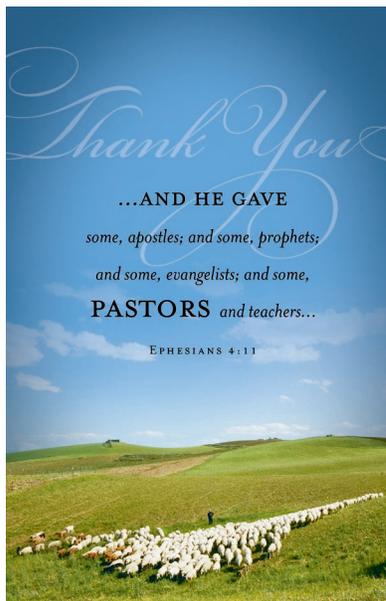
Please join us for the potluck luncheon following worship today.

Thanks to Jim Craig for supervising the installation of the Lexan over the south window in the sanctuary. This is the first step in repairing the outside of our building.

A big and grateful thank you from Don and Dee Brown for the people that did an outstanding job of harvesting and cleaning up our "free range organic garden" (aka) WEEDS! Thanks to James Jimenez, Kim Engelby, Jeff Turner, Nancy and Mike Otto, and Nicole and Mike Shane. They were great servants for God,

STEWARDSHIP
A MISSION OF FAITH

We just love Pr. Debra and James. I feel like they were sent to us at a really tough time. I'm not sure we would've made it without them. They have brought the spirit of Jesus back to our church which has brought new members our way and fulfilled a need we were desperate for. I love the Sunday sermons and the whole vibe of the church has changed for the better. We are so very grateful for them every single day! Renee and Todd Hart



"When we started coming back to our faith, the warm smiles and immediate acceptance of Pastor Debra and James is something we will never forget. They have made us feel at home. We know that we are genuinely loved, and we genuinely love them in return. The hard work that has been done for Ascension by both Pastor Debra and James is such an amazing blessing to us all!
- Rachel, Madelyn & Jaycee

Pastor Debra exuded warmth and a joy filled spirit the first time I met her. She continues to be an inspiration and a draw to be more involved in formal in person church services and activities. I can't say enough about Jim's sixth sense to know when help is needed and consistently, perpetually and willingly jump in and assist or lead. - Diane S.

We members of Ascension are very blessed to have you, because of your caring for each of us and your wonderful messages every Sunday. Holly McCaffrey

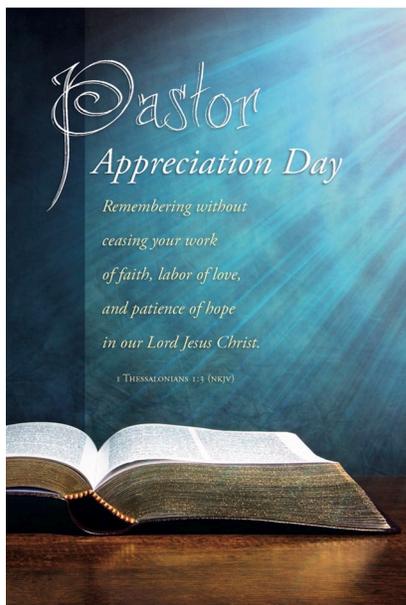
Pastor: We are so blessed by the most caring, loving individual and so good to listen to every Sunday morning. Besides that, James and I can always count on football conversation, not sure I pull that hard for Georgia though. Great couple!!! - Marlys and Keith

Pastor Debra, God gave us a very special pastor who truly cares about people. Thank you for your caring heart, your listening ears and your devotion to sharing God's Word. James, thank you for showing us how to support others, pitch in and help when needed, and just be present for our church family. - Sharen

Dear Pastor Debra and James,
We are so fortunate to have you both at our Church. I watch the Church Services on Facebook on Sundays and enjoy every minute of the Service. You bring joy, happiness and love to all of us. We are so grateful to have you as our Pastor and James, too. Busy as you are, you've had time to visit me each place I've been this past year and Thank You for helping keep me together. May God richly bless you and keep you. Thank You for being here for us!
Love, Carol Reopelle

You have blessed me and my brother, Bill, with all your heart and thoughtful encouragement. God bless you on your special day!

- Linda



Pastor Debra is a perfect example of humility. You can always count on James as a "Helping Hand".

- Arliss

"Pastor Debra and James have been a breath of fresh air for this congregation with their caring spirit, work ethic, inspiring leadership, and uplifting presence." - Pat

Prior to pastor Debra's arrival Ascension was a church on the critical list. I really wasn't sure it could be turned around. When pastor arrived, the healing began almost immediately and I'm in awe of her passion and ability to make each person in the church feel like they are worthy, special and loved. We are truly blessed! - Eric

"Pastor and James have been incredibly welcoming to our family as we have begun attending Ascension Lutheran Church. Their warmth, generosity, and willingness to extend a warm welcome have meant so much. Plus, Sunday School is the highlight of Anders week! Thank you. Mark, Christie, and Anders Denniston

"Pastor Debra has many outstanding qualities and talents that have been on display in this congregation for almost 2 years. One that needs to be highlighted is her spiritual leadership, devotion and compassionate counsel to members and their families who have experienced death and profound grieving. Her tender loving care and shepherding have been such a positive impact on all these families." - Pat

God showed us, yet again, that He is never too early, never too late, but right on time by bringing Pastor Debra and James to Ascension.

Pastor Debra brings such love and care to each person and an undeniable Joy in the Lord to everything she does. James is the quiet, devoted support that she relies on and a great partner in ministry for all of us.

We are so grateful to God for the blessing He gave us in Debra and James. They've brought kindness, leadership, caring, friendship and a multitude of the little things that mean so much to everyone at our church. I'm personally thankful for Pastor's servant leadership to our council. We decided some time ago that James is a ninja. When you're in the middle of a task and you think you still have this or that left to do, you find that James has stepped in quietly and has already done it. 😊 There really aren't enough words to express our love for you guys! - Kelly and Jeff

We are so blessed to have you both!
Nancy O

Dear Friend,

We need your financial support!



Above: Volunteer coordinator Pastor Steve Reinhard leading the opening prayer
Right: Executive Director Raquel with supporters



Recently, we celebrated our generous donors after 5 years of serving families experiencing homelessness. Despite enthusiastic support from a dedicated core of community members, we were \$60,702 short of our goal. **We are asking for your help as a past supporter to help us achieve our goal of \$125,000 by the end of the year!**



The rising prices of housing, food, and other basic needs have impacted many who have supported charitable causes in the past. However, it is precisely because of these rising costs that homeless families suffering the worst effects of this downturn need your help more than ever!

Here are 2 reasons to extend your support to Family Promise of Ogden before 2022 is out:

1

There is no better way to **directly contribute** to the welfare of the most vulnerable Utahns in crisis

Over the past year, the problem of homelessness in our Utah communities has been amplified. The approaching winter months present an additional challenge for those already facing this mammoth obstacle, and it is particularly daunting for some of the most vulnerable victims of homelessness, **families with children**. Homelessness is a traumatic event for young children, and the negative mental and physical effects follow them throughout their lives.

2

Your donation to Family Promise of Ogden supports **lasting change** that echoes throughout lives and generations

When families stay with Family Promise of Ogden, **they are receiving the most cost-effective care available**. While traditional shelters spend **\$155/night** for basic help and transition **40%** of clients into stable housing, we spend only **\$86/night** for intensive case management and connection to community resources and since 2020, have supported **82% of residents into sustainable living situations**, making our program over **2 times as effective at facilitating long-term solutions for a little over half the cost**.

Our model at Family Promise of Ogden is unique across the Northern Utah prioritizes **long-term results** from the very beginning. While many organizations addressing homelessness provide a breadth of immediate resources to people in many different situations, we hone in on families with children as a particularly vulnerable group and strive to help them cultivate self-sufficiency through our intensive program **in addition** to meeting their basic needs.

To donate, visit our website at <https://familypromiseofogden.org/donate/> or visit our homepage and click the purple "DONATE" button in the top right-hand corner

Thank you for caring for families experiencing homelessness!

Sincerely,

The Team at Family Promise of Ogden

†Please Lift Up in Prayer:

- Tracie Truitt, friend of Alyson's
- Kristy - Shari Morosky's daughter
- Bruce & Joan Marlow
- Cory, Nancy Gale's son
- Pam Burbank
- Jessica Stewart, Dick Graves's daughter
- Rebecca Rens and the Eyre Families
- Jefferson Barrett
- Mark Baird
- Maylan Chugg, Don & Dee's granddaughter
- Chris, friend of Alyson W.
- Judy Sherman
- Henry, Nancy G's grandson
- Justina, friend of Rebecca
- Lynn Copper and her family
- Sean Zeller, Pastor Gene's nephew
- Cheryl, friend of Alyson
- Mark Hughes and family
- Erik Thompson
- Scott, Diana & John's son
- Heidi, Diane Shultz' sister-in-law
- Dick Graves
- Bob P.
- Dee Brown
- PJ, friend of Kelly
- Toni, Pastor Debra's Sister-in-Law
- Lynn and Carol
- Roxanne, David's sister
- Carol and Jean, friends of Sharen
- Cindy C.
- Carol Reopelle
- Kim, friend of Bob
- Jack, Pastor Debra's nephew
- Suzy and her family

- Bill, Linda's brother
- Scott Chapan, friend of Dick G.
- Linda, John, Jeff, Pr Gordon's sister and her family
- Alice, Anastasia, and all of the people affected by the war
- Levi
- Brian Washburn, Kamberlynn's dad
- Jeni, friend of Nancy O
- Kemzey, Cindy's niece
- Lacey, friend of Cindy D.
- Kallee, Rachel's sister-in-law
- Bob, Rachel's uncle
- Bob, friend of James
- Terry, Dee Brown's brother
- Heidi, Linda Fallat's daughter
- Carla, friend of Don Hughes
- Jamie, friend of Nancy Otto
- Cathay, friend of Paula DelCarlo
- Charlie Tufts

†Praying for Loved Ones in the Military:

- 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

October
Ascension Ministries

 SUN	 WORSHIP ASST	 ALTAR GUILD	 USHERS	 GREETERS	 ANNOUNCEMENTS	 COUNTERS
Oct 2	Pat Refsdal	Kim Engelby	Todd & Renee Hart	John & Diana Warkentin	Connie Larsen	Renee Hart
Oct 9	Connie Larsen	Kim Engelby	Patti Hall & Stef Rhees	Joanna Wolf	Connie Larsen	Paula DelCarlo
Oct 16	Rachel Funk	Kim Engelby	Sharen Kamp	Stefani Rhees	Connie Larsen	Keith Sorbo
Oct 23	Mylitta Barrett	Kim Engelby	James Jimenez	CJ Jordan	Connie Larsen	CJ Jordan
Oct 30	Arliss Zimmerman	Kim Engelby	Pat Refsdal	Pat Refsdal	Connie Larsen	Pat Refsdal