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# Parish Notes

## Welcome to Worship

### December 15, 2024

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

<b>SUNDAY</b>	8:30 am	-	Adult Bible Study
	9:30 am	-	Worship (Children's Sunday School during worship)
	10:30 am	-	Fellowship
	10:45 am.	-	Children's Bell Choir and Adult Choir (following worship)
<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
<b>THURSDAY</b>	1:00 pm	-	Shepherding Bible Study Group – (3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday)
		-	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 (4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday)



### December Birthdays

Jamie McConnell 27  
John Fritschle 29

### January Birthdays

Sylvia Moffet 3  
CJ Jordan 5  
Pam Gould 15  
Debra Larsen 17  
Anne Engelby 20  
Pat Refsdal 22  
Chase Rhees 24  
Bobby Cornell 30  
Edith Cryts 31

### Upcoming Events

**Dec 24** – Christmas Eve Service @5:30

**Jan 11** – Women’s Retreat



Thanks to The Refdals for providing treats for coffee hour.

### **Some Great News!**

Ascension's roof installation, including the portico, has been completed - with the exception of two vent caps which should be installed early next week. Thanks be to God!

We have received two complimentary Life Line Screening certificates, valued at \$85. Life Line will hold a screening event at Ascension January 24, 2025, from 8 - 5. Please see Pastor Debra if you would like to receive one of the certificates.

### **Holiday Gifts for Cantor Singers,**

### **Musicians and Staff**

If you would like to give a holiday donation to the Cantor Singers, Musicians or Staff, you can give that directly to the individual or Christie Denniston will be collecting those donations through the end of the year. Donations will be cash only and will be distributed in January to the Cantor Singers, Musicians, Pastor, Secretary, Custodian and the Assistant Pianist, Allie. See Christie Denniston if you have any questions.

### **Christmas Poinsettias**

This will be the last Sunday to collect 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 or Arliss Zimmerman. The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex – please include your name and your dedication.



### **New Opportunities to Help**

There are some new opportunities to help with lightweight church tasks for those who would like to participate in our church life and help maintain our church properties.

1. We are looking for an individual to help schedule and oversee the worship assistants that participate in our worship services each week. See Pat Refsdal for the details.
2. We are also looking for someone to help post and oversee the Coffee Hour Treat Schedule. See Pat Refsdal for the details.
3. There is now an opportunity for someone to help coordinate with Gary our custodian; inventory needed cleaning supplies; and order those supplies for the ALC and CLC buildings. See Pat Refsdal for the specific details and budget info.

### **Happy New Year", a Few End-of-Year Reminders for 2024**

- If you have receipts for "in-kind" gifts that you would like added to your giving record, please make sure you get those turned in to Pat Refsdal this coming week, need to be recorded by Dec 31st.
- We are about to complete the budgeting process for 2025, we can still accept pledge cards if you have not had the opportunity to turn them in. They can be placed in the offering plate.
- If any one needs additional envelopes, or would like to start using giving envelopes, see Pat Refsdal ([p.refsdal@comcast.net](mailto:p.refsdal@comcast.net)).
- Annual Ministry Reports are due to Nicole ([nishane2020@gmail.com](mailto:nishane2020@gmail.com)) by Dec 31st.
- For those folks who have Thrivent insurance or investment products, Thrivent Choice Dollars need to be designated to charities of your choice by Mar 31, 2025.



***Christmas Eve Service***  
***Family Candlelight - 5:30 PM***  
***with Holy Communion***



**Curious About Joy – A Women’s Christmas Retreat**  
Saturday, January 11, 2025  
10 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church, Salt Lake City, UT  
Led by Pastor and Spiritual Director, DanaLee Simon

Please join us at this Utah Conference event that will include brunch, connection in community and an exploration around our theme, “Curious About Joy”. Bring some friends from your congregation and enjoy the time together that will be filled with poetry, music, meaningful conversations, and spiritual practices.

The registration fee for this retreat is \$25. Scholarships are available. Please let Pastor DanaLee know if you are in need of one. Please register by Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, so we can plan the appropriate amount of food. E-mail DanaLee at [sagehillwisdom@gmail.com](mailto:sagehillwisdom@gmail.com) and let her know you will be attending. Include your name, phone number and congregation.

There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for those that would like to attend. If you are need of a scholarship for the registration fee, please speak with Pastor Debra. For those that are attending, the plan is to carpool from Ascension the morning of the event.

### Please Lift Up in Prayer:

- Tracie Truitt, friend of Alyson's
- Cory, Nancy Gale's son
- Pam Burbank
- 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
- Heidi, Diane Shultz' sister-in-law
- Dick Graves
- Jack, Pastor Debra's nephew
- Suzy and her family
- Bill, Linda's brother
- Alice, Anastasia, and all the people affected by the war in Ukraine
- Brian Washburn, Kamberlynn's dad
- Terry, Dee Brown's brother
- Charlie Tufts
- Kim, Kelly's sister
- Judy, friend of Shellie
- Mary, Sharen's daughter-in-law
- Ruth Dupee, friend of Maria
- Lynn & Carol Benson
- Don Hughes
- Betsy Daley, friend of Nicole
- Lara and her husband, Nicole's sister and brother-in-law
- Don and Dee Brown
- Sue, Sharen's sister








- Dean and Val, Mike's brother and sister-in-law
- Steve Morlan
- Diana Warkentin
- Jamie McConnell
- David Stuart
- Callie Jo
- Patti Hall
- Sharen's Mahjong Group
- Gary Atteberry and family
- Ann Shane
- Shellie Ingram
- Jed M, a cadet at Kelly's school
- Chelsea, Nancy's niece
- Calvin Schalk Jr, his wife Janel and Calvin Sr, and Diana
- Glenn and Tonya, Shelie's brother and his wife

### †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)

**December  
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>
Dec 1	Katie Young	Kim Engelby	Todd & Renee Hart	Pat Refsdal	Kelly Martin	Renee Hart
Dec 8	Mark Denniston	Kim Engelby	Patti Hall & Stefani Rhees	Joanna Wolf	Kelly Martin	Mark Denniston
Dec 15	Arless Zimmerman	Kim Engelby		Stefani Rhees	Kelly Martin	Paula Del Carlo
Dec 22	Kelly Martin	Kim Engelby	James Jimenez	CJ Jordan	Kelly Martin	CJ Jordan
Dec 29	Patti Hall	Kim Engelby	Dave Filanda	??	Kelly Martin	Pat Refsdal

If you have articles or information for the parish notes, please send them to Kelly by Friday afternoon.