

Do Not Be Afraid!

Asking God's Blessings on the Sunday School

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As We Gather

Life is scary. From the little boy who hides under the covers when it thunders, to the grown-up who is anxious about paying the bills, life has plenty of threats and worries. Sure, we know that God is all-powerful. We know that Jesus walked on the water (Matthew 14:22-33). But like Peter, who saw Jesus with his own eyes, the wind and the waves seem so big, and we doubt. Like Job, when we go through pain and hurt, we don't understand what God is doing.

But Jesus says to us, like he said to the disciples, "Don't be afraid." When Peter was sinking in the water, Jesus grabbed hold of him and saved him. God said to Job, in essence, "Trust me. I made the world and I know what I am doing." (Job 38:4-18). And God tells us in his Word that "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved" (Romans 10:5-17).

Today the Sunday School teachers are launching out in a new "school year" of leading kids to Jesus. That's a big task! But just remember, whatever challenges you face, whatever struggles come, God knows what he is doing. He will be with you. He will bring you home to be with him.

Prelude

Words of Welcome

Stand

Sharing God's Peace with One Another

We greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying "Peace be with you" as a sign of our unity and reconciliation in the Holy Spirit. As we are forgiven by God, so we forgive each other. (Matthew 5:22-24; Ephesians 4:1-3)

Children's Opening Hymn: We are in God's House Today (Little Ones Sing Praise 12)

1. We are in God's house today. He is glad to hear us pray.
Let us listen, let us sing, gladly make his praises ring.
2. We are in God's house today. He is glad to hear us pray.
Let us listen to His Word, gladly do what we have heard.

Stand

Hymn: Oh God, Our Help in Ages Past

Lutheran Service Book 733



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,
2 Un - der the shad - ow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood Or earth re - ceived her frame,
6 O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,



Our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home:
Suf - fi - cient is Thine arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.
From ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, To end - less years the same.
Be Thou our guard while trou - bles last And our e - ter - nal home!

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Invocation

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Prayer of Confession

P Now, at the beginning of the worship service, we bring all our sins, our wrongdoing, to the Lord and ask for his forgiveness. Today especially we adults acknowledge that we have not always treated the children around us with the love of Christ. We often lose our patience with them and say harsh and unloving words. Sometimes we are lazy about bringing the children to church and teaching them to pray and to trust in Jesus.

Children also need God's forgiveness. We sometimes say that children are innocent, but they often disobey, fight, refuse to share, refuse to obey their parents and teachers, and get into trouble. The Bible says that all of us sin, and even babies are selfish. Nevertheless, God loves all of us, big and little, and he offers us forgiveness through Jesus.

P We pray together:

C **Lord our God, you created us in love; you saved us and help us in love; and you want us to live in love. However, all too often we have failed in our love toward you and toward others. We often have very little faith and break your commandments. These things are symptoms of the sin in us. Forgive us, Lord, and by your Holy**

Spirit change us and help us to do better. In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Song: Change My Heart

(Song from Venezuela)

Change my heart and make it new, oh Lord!
Give me a heart that loves to praise you,
A heart that always wants to serve you.
Change my heart to be like yours! //

(Let it be) Clean as a mountain stream, Sweet as a honeycomb.
Lord, let my heart become Just like your heart! //

Words of Forgiveness

P God is good and he is always ready to forgive us. Jesus died on the cross for all of us, adults and children. Even more, he rose from the dead to give eternal life to all of us, adults and children. It is my privilege to announce to you God's Word: for all of you who trust in Jesus, adults and children, your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

G Amen.

Song: I Am Trusting You, Lord Jesus

(Little Ones Sing Praise 24)

1. I am trusting you, Lord Jesus. You have died for me.
All my sins have been forgiven. I am free!
2. I am trusting you, Lord Jesus, as you guide my way.
In your loving arms you hold me night and day.

Hymn: I Am Jesus' Little Lamb

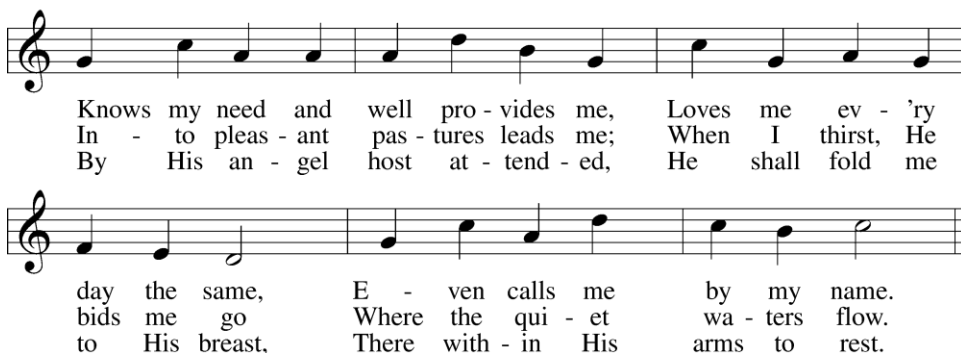
Lutheran Service Book 740



1 I am Je - sus' lit - tle lamb, Ev - er glad at
2 Day by day, at home, a - way, Je - sus is my
3 Who so hap - py as I am, E - ven now the



heart I am; For my Shep - herd gent - ly guides me,
staff and stay. When I hun - ger, Je - sus feeds me,
Shep - herd's lamb? And when my short life is end - ed,



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Prayer for This Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

A **Lord God, help me to look to you when the storms in my life grow fierce. Stretch out your hand and save me when I am sinking. When I face struggles or hurts or hardship, be my Rock and remind me that you are by my side. Your grace is more than enough for me. In Jesus' name. Amen.**

Sit

Song: The B-I-B-L-E

(Little Ones Sing Praise 48, modified)

1. The B-I-B-L-E, yes, that's the book for me!
I stand alone on the Word of God, the B-I-B-L-E.
2. The B-I-B-L-E, its stories help me see
The love of Jesus, God's own Son; the B-I-B-L-E.

Old Testament Reading

Job 38:4-18

(God tells Job to leave behind his doubts and complaints. We humans are weak and often clueless, but God knows all things, created all things, and can do all things.)

[God said to Job,] "Where were you when I laid the earth's foundation? Tell me, if you understand. ⁵ Who marked off its dimensions? Surely you know! Who stretched a measuring line across it? ⁶ On what were its footings set, or who laid its cornerstone— ⁷ while the morning stars sang together and all the angels shouted for joy?

⁸ "Who shut up the sea behind doors when it burst forth from the womb, ⁹ when I made the clouds its garment and wrapped it in thick darkness, ¹⁰ when I fixed

limits for it and set its doors and bars in place, ¹¹ when I said, 'This far you may come and no farther; here is where your proud waves halt'?

¹² "Have you ever given orders to the morning, or shown the dawn its place,

¹³ that it might take the earth by the edges and shake the wicked out of it?

¹⁴ The earth takes shape like clay under a seal; its features stand out like those of a garment. ¹⁵ The wicked are denied their light, and their upraised arm is broken.

¹⁶ "Have you journeyed to the springs of the sea or walked in the recesses of the deep? ¹⁷ Have the gates of death been shown to you? Have you seen the gates of the deepest darkness? ¹⁸ Have you comprehended the vast expanses of the earth? Tell me, if you know all this." (NIV)

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle (New Testament Reading)

Romans 10:5-17

(Everyone who hears the message of Christ and trusts in him will be saved.)

Moses writes this about the righteousness that is by the law: "The person who does these things will live by them." ⁶ But the righteousness that is by faith says: "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷ "or 'Who will descend into the deep?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸ But what does it say? "The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart," that is, the message concerning faith that we proclaim: ⁹ If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. ¹¹ As Scripture says, "Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame." ¹² For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, ¹³ for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

¹⁴ How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? ¹⁵ And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

¹⁶ But not all the Israelites accepted the good news. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed our message?" ¹⁷ Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ. (NIV)

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia

Lutheran Service Book 190



Reading from the Gospels

Matthew 14:22-33

(Peter doubts when he looks at the wind and the waves, but Jesus saves him.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, chapter 14.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. ²³ After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. Later that night, he was there alone, ²⁴ and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it.

²⁵ Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. ²⁶ When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear.

²⁷ But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid."

²⁸ "Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water."

²⁹ "Come," he said.

Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. ³⁰ But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!"

³¹ Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?"

³² And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. ³³ Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God." (NIV)

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Song while Children Come to the Front: Here Comes Jesus

Here comes Jesus! See him walking on the water!

He'll lift you up, and he'll help you to stand.

Here comes Jesus! He's the master of the waves that roll.

Here comes Jesus! Let him take your hand.

Story Time

Hymn of the Day: Rock of Ages

Lutheran Service Book 761



1 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my - self in Thee;
2 Not the la - bors of my hands Can ful - fill Thy Law's de-mands;
3 Noth - ing in my hand I bring; Sim - ply to Thy cross I cling.
4 While I draw this fleet - ing breath, When mine eye - lids close in death,



Let the wa - ter and the blood, From Thy riv - en side which flowed,
Could my zeal no res - pite know, Could my tears for - ev - er flow,
Na - ked, come to Thee for dress; Help - less, look to Thee for grace;
When I soar to worlds un-known, See Thee on Thy judg-ment throne,



Be of sin the dou - ble cure: Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
All for sin could not a - tone; Thou must save, and Thou a - lone.
Foul, I to the foun-tain fly; Wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.
Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my - self in Thee.

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Sermon

Stand

Special Music: "Lilies of the Field"

(Bryan Perdue)

1. You have always promised to lead me though each day,
And when my path was hard to walk, you taught me how to pray.
You have always been my strength. You have been my shield.
You have led me safely to the lilies in the field.

2. Consider now the lily that grows wild in the field.
Such gentle, sweet perfection has seldom been revealed.
With a simple, graceful beauty, they will leave no sign
And God's quiet message whispers in my mind.
3. Kings in all their majesty, queens in their finest gowns,
Laced in gold and silver with jewels upon their crowns;
Bue kings in all their glory know that they must yield.
They cannot match the beauty of the lilies in the field.
4. Don't worry about tomorrow. What good can it do?
Can you add just one thing more to what God gave to you?
His Son has told the story. Nothing's been concealed.
And he has led me gently to the lilies in the field.

Installation and Blessing of Sunday School Teachers

- P** Dear friends in Christ, the people before you have heard the Lord's call to serve as teachers for the children in the Sunday School. Jesus himself commanded us to teach his Word.

He said: "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and **teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.** And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (Matthew 28:19-20, ESV)

It is important to teach everyone about Jesus, particularly little children whom many people pass over. The Bible says that when the disciples told people to stop bringing children and babies to Jesus, Jesus got angry. It says: "Jesus called the children to him and said, '**Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.**'" (Luke 18:16, NIV)

To the Sunday School teachers:

The ministry to which you have been called is one of the most important tasks in our church: to share our faith in Christ with the children and young people and to teach them to walk in God's way. I ask then that you join together with the whole congregation in confessing our faith in God, using the Apostles' Creed?

C I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.

**And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
Born of the virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
And sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
The holy Christian Church, the communion of saints;
The forgiveness of sins;
The resurrection of the body,
And the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.**

P *To the teachers of the Sunday School:*

Do you promise to faithfully serve God in this teaching ministry in
accordance with the Scriptures?

R Yes, with the help of God.

P Will you teach the children the Christian faith as you have just confessed it
in the Apostles' Creed?

R Yes, with the help of God.

P Will you, trusting in God's care, seek to grow in love for the children and
youth whom you serve, strive for excellence in your skills, and adorn the
Gospel of Jesus Christ with a godly life?

R Yes, with the help of God.

P *To the congregation:*

Brothers and sisters in Christ: you have heard the promises of the ones
appointed to serve as teachers in the Sunday School. I ask you now, in the
presence of God: Will you receive them, show them appropriate love and
respect, and support them with your words, deeds, and prayers? If so,
answer: We will, with the help of God.

C **We will, with the help of God.**

P Please extend your hands in blessing toward these teachers, and pray with
me:

A Lord God, thank you for these teachers and leaders and their willingness to serve the children and youth in our Sunday School. Bless them and guide them and give them strength for this labor of love. Open the minds and the hearts of the children and youth, so that they may trust you as their Savior and grow in mind, body, and spirit. Grant that these teachers may all see good fruit from their labor. Remind us in this congregation to support, encourage, and pray for them always. In Jesus' name. Amen.

P *To the Sunday School teachers and leaders:*
Brother and sisters in Christ, I install you as teachers and leaders of the Sunday School and youth class for this new school year, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The almighty and merciful God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you and bless and strengthen you for faithful service in his name.

C Amen.

Prayer of the Church

- P** Oh Lord, we are often weak and of little faith.
- C** **Come, Holy Spirit, and strengthen our faith in Jesus.**
- P** Lord, we want to better understand your Word.
- C** **Come, Holy Spirit, and on every page of Scripture show us Jesus.**
- P** Lord, we want to do your will.
- C** **Come, Holy Spirit, and help us to imitate Jesus.**
- P** Lord, fill us with your love and help us to forgive one another.
- C** **Come, Holy Spirit, and make us one in Jesus.**
- P** Lord, so many people are depressed or sick or suffering serious problems.
- C** **Come, Holy Spirit, and help us and heal us in Jesus' name.**
- P** Lord, peace and justice are lacking in many parts of our world.
- C** **Come, Holy Spirit, and make us truly free through Jesus.**
- P** Lord, raise up good leaders who will follow your guidance.
- C** **Come, Holy Spirit, and guide us in the footsteps of Jesus.**
- P** Lord, today we especially pray for those on our prayer list who really need your help and comfort. And we also pray for others whom we name in our hearts now... We pray:
- C** **We lift all of these people up to you, trusting that you will be with them as you have promised.**
- P** Dear God, you always hear us when we pray in Jesus' name. Take away the spirit of fear in us,

- ☞ And give us your Spirit of power, of love, and of self-discipline through Jesus. Amen. (2 Timothy 1:7)**

Prayer for David and Janice Pena

- P** God has opened new opportunities for Janice and David to move with their family to a new place. They are not here today because their schedule got moved up. Last Sunday was their final day with us. We still want to pray for them and ask God to protect and guide them in their new home and their new church.
- ☞ Lord God, you are with us wherever we go. Be with our friends and fellow Christians as they move from a familiar home to a new place. Support them in the challenges they will face. When they are lonely or nostalgic, remind them that they are not alone. Help them to connect with other Christians in their new community and to serve you together. And when we find ourselves missing them, grant us your peace and help us to be happy for the new opportunities that you are opening for them. We commend them into your hands. In Jesus' name. Amen.**
- P** May the Lord bless your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore. (*from Psalm 121:8*)

Sit

Offering

Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents.

Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything – all that she had to live on." (Mark 12:41-44, NIV)

Our offerings are part of our worship, part of our response to God's love. We give like the widow, from the heart.

Offering Options

You can contribute offerings using any of the following methods:

In-Person donations: You can place your donation in the offering plate as it is passed during the service.

On-line Banking donations: You can utilize the on-line bill pay option at your financial institution to donate to Ascension Lutheran Church, 6520 Loma de Cristo, El Paso, TX 79912.

Mail donations: Mail your check to the church office: Ascension Lutheran Church, 6520 Loma de Cristo, El Paso, TX 79912. The mail is checked daily.

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Special Music during the Offering

Stand

Offering Prayer

A Heavenly Father, fill us anew with your Holy Spirit, and help us to live for you. Bless these offerings and use them to bring others to faith and to help those in need. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Offertory (Song of Dedication)

Lutheran Service Book 806



Ho - ly One, Give thanks _____ be - cause He's giv - en__ Je - sus

Christ His Son. Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, Give

thanks to the Ho - ly One, Give thanks _____ be - cause He's giv - en__

Je - sus Christ His Son. And now let the weak say "I am

strong," Let the poor say "I am rich," _____ Be - cause of

what the Lord has done for us. And now let the

weak say "I am strong," Let the poor say "I am

rich," _____ Be - cause of what the Lord has done for us.

Give thanks, _____ give thanks. _____

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Lord's Prayer

- A** Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Thank the Lord

Lutheran Service Book 164



- C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

Closing Prayer

- P** Let us pray.
C Lord, you are the strength of those who hope in you. Be with us, we pray, and help us in our weakness. Guide us so that we can be different, so that we can become more and more like Jesus. In Jesus's own name we pray. Amen.

Benediction *(Numbers 6:24-26)*

Lutheran Service Book 166

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
C Amen.

Closing Hymn: What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Lutheran Service Book 770



1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, All our sins and griefs to bear!
2 Have we tri - als and temp-ta-tions? Is there trou-ble an - y-where?
3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, Cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry Ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!
We should nev - er be dis-cour-aged— Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— Take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; Oh, what need-less pain we bear—
Can we find a friend so faith - ful Who will all our sor - rows share?
Do thy friends de-spise, for-sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



All be - cause we do not car - ry Ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak-ness—Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In His arms He'll take and shield thee; Thou wilt find a sol - ace there.

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Sending

- P** Go in peace! Serve the Lord!
- C** Thanks be to God!

Acknowledgments

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Prayer Ministry Philippians 4:6-7

Please fill out the blue friendship card or call the church office @ 915-833-1009 to include a prayer request or an update for the prayer list. If you have a prayer request or update for the prayer chain, please e-mail Jan Schlak at oveja6925@aol.com. The prayer list is no longer included in the bulletin; but can be picked up alongside of the bulletins in the entrance. It is also available to view in the weekly email sent out on every Friday.

Ascension News & Notes:



August 10 — Kristal Wade
August 11 — Karsten Faugstad
August 12 — Brian Stickney
August 12 — Dawn Yturalde
August 15 — Andrea Faugstad
August 15 — Kathy Kiphart
August 15 — Martha Neal

Adults and children of our congregation are encouraged to participate, engage in fellowship, and welcome our kids and visitors.

Would you like to volunteer or bring something? Let us know!

Contact the church office by phone (915) 833-1009 or email alc6520@swbell.net

You're invited to our Sunday School Open House!

Sunday School Open House

August 9th at 9 am

Come join us for fun
games, crafts, activities,
story-telling, and snacks!

**Meet the Pastor & Sunday School teachers. Join
in fellowship with others!**



It's almost Shoebox Collection Time!!

Start collecting treasures to include in the shoeboxes you'll be packing in October.

- **School Supplies** (crayons, spiral notebooks, colored pencils, scissors, rulers, pencils & pens, erasers, etc.)
- **Toys**
- **Hats and gloves**
- **Hair and grooming accessories**
- **Coloring books**
- **And lots more!**

Points of Contact: Melanie Gallagher and Charlene Radach

(Altar flowers, Sunday Snacks, & Altar Care):

Altar flowers: 16th & 30th are open.

Sunday Snack Refreshments: August 23rd & 30th are open.

Altar care: December is open.

Thank you to everyone for contributing to our bible studies and our worship service by either supplying treats for everyone in fellowship with others, beautifying our altar with flowers in honor of God, or preparing our altar for worship.

Be sure to pick up your August calendar in the narthex entrance.

August 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
July 27 9:00 am Bible Study 9:00 am Morning 10:00 am Worship	July 28 Church Office Closed 9:00 am Ascension Preschool Staff Returns	July 29 9:00 am Bible Study 9:00 am Ascension Preschool Staff	July 30 Ascension Preschool Open House 11 am - 2 pm only	July 31 Ascension Preschool Open House 9 am - 2 pm only	August 1 9:00 am Holy Bible North Valley Shower For the Elderly Caroline Valdes (PH)	
August 2 9:00 am Bible Study 10:00 am Fellowship 11:00 am Morning of Holy Communion	August 3 Church Office Closed 9:00 am Ascension Preschool Begins	August 4 9:00 am Bible Study (L)				August 5 9 am to 11 am, Gospel Pastor & Elders Meeting at Ascension Lutheran Church
						August 6 9 am to 11 am, Gospel Pastor & Elders Meeting at Ascension Lutheran Church
August 9 9:00 am Bible Study 10:00 am Fellowship 11:00 am Morning of Holy Communion (Sunday School Teachers Installation)	August 10 Church Office Closed	August 11 10:00 am Worship Action Team meeting (PH) 6:30 pm Bible Study (L)	August 12 10:00 am Preschool Morning 2:00pm Elders Meeting (PH)	August 13 8:00 am Separation newsletter due in office.		
						August 14 8:00 am Separation newsletter due in office.
August 16 9:00 am Bible Study 10:00 am Fellowship 11:00 am Morning of Holy Communion	August 17 Church Office Closed	August 18 6:00 pm Bible Study (L)	August 19 8:00 am Preschool Open House 6:00 pm Labor Day	August 20 8:00 am Choir Rehearsal		
						August 21 8:00 am Choir Rehearsal

August 22
 9:00 am Bible Study
 10:00 am Fellowship
 11:00 am Morning of
 Holy Communion

Lora Pines Martinez 881
 Debra Wilkerson 882
 Rony Haddad 882
 Alvin Chan 882
 Kenneth Fegalt 882
 Brian Stokney 882
 Glenn Thomsen 882
 Andrew Fegalt 882
 Kelly Kight 882
 Martha Reed 882
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 Alex Denny 882
 Bryan Finkler 882

Ignite the Imagination with
 worshipful music.
 Psalm 133:3a

This Week @ Ascension

Sunday (August 9th)

9:00 AM Sunday School Open House/Rally Day
(Adults & Children are both encouraged to participate)

10:00 AM Fellowship

10:30 AM Worship (Sunday School Teacher Installation)

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Monday (August 10th)

Church Office Closed

Tuesday (August 11th)

3:30 PM Worship Action Team Meeting (FH)

6:30 PM Boy Scouts (L)

Wednesday (August 12th)

12:30 PM Preschool Meeting

3:00 PM Elders Meeting

Thursday (August 13th)

Friday (August 14th)

12-2:30 PM Preschool Extended Care

Saturday (August 15th)

Ronald McDonald House



Please save the **aluminum pull tabs** from canned drinks and bring them to the kitchen area or the church office. They are used by the Ronald McDonald House to provide a home away from home for hundreds of families with seriously ill children.