

GOOD MORNING! WHAT'S HAPPENING (July 28)!

Worship Services are at 4:00 p.m. on Saturdays and 9:00 a.m. on Sundays through September 4. Following the 9:00 service, you are invited to join us for Coffee Under the Trees, hosted by Pastor John and Marilyn. The Adult Bible Class will follow at 10:30.

Sunday Nursery Availability: The nursery is available during the worship services and also during the Adult Bible class.

Ascension Planning Meeting – Saturday, August 6 from 9:00-11:00 am! Come share your ideas! This meeting is open to anyone who has some thoughts on how we can serve our community and congregation more faithfully. Our mission statement is: *“We as members of Ascension and fellow members in the Body of Christ gather around the Word and Sacrament for worship and nurture. Here we receive power to reach out in Christ’s name using our resources to seek and make new disciples while continuing to serve our community and our world.”*

Childcare will be available for the meeting. **Please plan to attend!**

New Member / Adult Instruction Class! Are you interested in becoming a new member at Ascension, or would you like to learn more about being a Lutheran Christian? Adult Instruction classes with Pastor John will be on Saturday, August 20 from 9:00 till 1:00 pm and Sunday, August 21 from 1:00 till 4:00 p.m. All are welcome – come and bring your questions!

Family Movie Night – Tomorrow, Friday, July 29th! ALL ages are invited to bring a pillow, blanket, and anything else to be comfortable as we watch "Sing 2." Popcorn and treats will be available. Beat the heat and join us at 6:30pm on July 29th! See you there!

Fifteen 6th-12th Graders will be heading out to a servant event camp at Lutheran Valley Retreat (LVR) on Sunday, July 31st (leaving from the church parking lot at 2 pm) through Friday, August 5th (arriving back at the church parking lot at about 3:00 pm). The kids will have the opportunity to zip line, climb high ropes, hike, do archery etc. during the afternoons while working on projects during the day! There will be devotions and campfire at night. Best wishes and prayers for our wonderful youth for a joyful and meaningful trip!

Sunday School Teacher’s Meeting: August 24th, 6:00-6:30pm, will be our Sunday school teacher's meeting. Come hear about the exciting plans we have for the new year and receive your curriculum!

Also, we're looking for a 1st-2nd grade Sunday school teacher. Pray about it and talk to Stephanie stephanieroettjer@gmail.com about the possibility of joining our team and being a part of the children's ministry!

Anyone working with children or youth (18 and younger) is required to attend an education and training session and background check as part of our policy. Mark your calendars on August 24th at 6:30pm. Contact Stephanie with questions, stephanieroettjer@gmail.com.

Canceled for this Saturday - The Romans Bible study led by Curt and Karen

Engle The group will meet again next **Saturday, August 6**, from 3:00-3:55 pm at the church before worship. If you are interested in joining the Genesis study please join them in Room 201 on July 9th, or email Curt at Kengle0920@gmail.com.

Take me out to the ballgame! Everyone is invited to the CO Rockies Faith Day on Sunday, August 14th vs the AZ Diamondbacks. Game at 1:00pm followed by the Christian band, We the Kingdom, concert afterwards. \$18 a ticket! Deadline to reserve your spot is on July 31st. Contact stephanie.roettjer@gmail.com or 303-794-4636 to let her know how many tickets you would like! Payment by cash or check (made out to Ascension Lutheran) can be dropped off in the church office.

Organ Recital: On July 31, at 2:00 pm, Thomas Schulteis will be performing an organ recital and Steve Wille will be giving a presentation on the various ranks on expanded organ at Our Father Lutheran Church, 6335 S Holly Street in Centennial. The recital is open to the public.

Quilt Show & Book Sale First Presbyterian Church of Littleton is hosting their annual Western Welcome Week Quilt Show & Book Sale on Friday, August 19 and Saturday, August 20. Information about times and entries is on the bulletin board in the narthex and in the church office.

Young Adult Group Bible Study will meet on Friday, August 12 at 6:30 pm. If you would like to join us, please contact Jenna (jenna.lindeman@cune.org).

Gifts on a Mission is a group of people who gather together twice a month to do a little crafting and have a lot of fun! Why are we called "Gifts on a Mission?" Because the things we make are sold for mission projects near and far! Come join us! We meet in the Fellowship Hall on the first and third Thursdays of each month, "open house," 1:00 to 5:00 pm. Come and learn a new craft!

Bible Study on Wednesdays - THE MANY WONDERS OF HEAVEN. Written and taught by Pastor Don Ginkel. This is an in-depth study. We meet from 10:00 to 11:15 in Room 106, the classroom to the right of the main entrance off the parking lot.

Ascension Photo Directory! If you were photographed while photography was taking place at our church and you placed a portrait order, you may be able to pick up your order after Service in the church office. Check the date on your invoice. If you did not make a purchase, your free 5x7 will be ready with your copy of the directory. Please direct any questions to Bettinger Photography at 303-733-6076.

What if I sense a desire to make an estate gift but am unsure about the status of ministries in the future? There are several gift planning tools you can use to construct some level of flexibility to the gift, so that it may be directed appropriately in

the future. Some of our anxiety about estate gifts stem from a perception that we need to control “our things” from the grave. It is important to remember that we are only planning for the gifting of God’s things, since all things are His. There is grace in that realization. There is peace there. Your Ascension Gift Planning Counselor can have conversation with you about your gifting anxieties, finding the joy of giving. Contact Jason Jones at Jason.Jones@lfnd.org or call him directly at (970) 988-0305.

Prayers: For our 6th-12th grade youth, and for Stephanie and Pastor John, who will be going on the Servant Event trip to Lutheran Valley Retreat, leaving Sunday afternoon, July 31 and returning on Friday afternoon, August 5. For Mike Zehnder’s brother, Tom, who suffered a fall and possible stroke last night, July 27. Tom is in the ICU at Parker Adventist. On August 6, Terry Sandrin's birthday, his ashes will be laid to rest on Mt. Evans by his wife Catherine, friends and family. We pray for Catherine and her family. Prayers for Erika Dubeau, who has suffered a stroke and is now at Temple Julia, near Swedish Hospital. For Marcia (Sundet) Kleinfelter, Crystal Sundet’s niece, who is fighting cancer and will have surgery in August. For Grace Grau, sister-in-law of Del Grau, with several serious health issues; For Sharon Estes with painful knee and back health problems; For Lee Valdez, who had back surgery on July 20; For Mary Lou Regan, with complications from COPD; For Gerideane Tracey, who had shoulder surgery on July 7; For Jerry Peterson, recovering from surgery for skin cancer; For Harriet Metz, who has an infection after having had two back surgeries; For Ellen Thompson, who has moved to the Carillon at Belleview Station as she is recovering from a stroke and broken hip; For Gwen Geisler; For Joan Anttonen's sister, Judy, in hospice care; For Lorine Grau; For Nadine Ginkel; For Carol Zeller; For members of our congregation who are having financial challenges; For world leaders, that they will pursue peace in Ukraine; For our country; For God's mighty hand to bring to an end this virus. For God to send His Holy Spirit on all believers for strengthening of faith and witness. For those who are homeless, that they may find safe places to live.

Ascension’s Prayer Group:

Psalm 145:18-20a

The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. He fulfills the desires of those who fear him; he hears their cry and saves them. The Lord watches over all who love him,

Please join us as we call on our Sovereign God in prayer. Ascension’s Prayer Group meets on Zoom every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at 2:30 pm. If you’d like to join us, contact MargoALPasha@yahoo.com

Help for Ukraine: To support the people of Ukraine, please pray for them. If you desire to contribute to their needs, the link for Mission Advancement is: [Give online via LCMS Mission Advancement](#). By mail, you can make your check out to “The LCMS,” and write “Ukraine Relief” in the memo line. Mail to: The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861.

Attendance	Service Time	Attendees	
Saturday, 7/23	4:00 pm	58	
Sunday, 7/24	9:00 am	141	Total: 199

Calendar At-a-Glance (Saturday, July 30 – Sunday, August 7):

Sat. (7-30)	1:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Eagle Court of Honor – Keegan McCarthy
	4:00 p.m.	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
Sun. (7-31)	9:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
	10:00 a.m.	Coffee Under the Trees – Pastor & Marilyn Larson
	10:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Study
	2:00 p.m.	Youth Group Leaves for Lutheran Valley Retreat
Tues. (8-2)	9:30 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study
Weds. (8-3)	10:00 a.m.	Mid-week Bible Study w/Pastor Ginkel
Thurs. (8-4)	1:00 p.m.	Gifts on a Mission
Fri. (8-5)	3:30 p.m.	Youth Return from LVR
Sat. (8-6)	9-11:00 a.m.	Church Planning Meeting
	4:00 p.m.	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
Sun. (8-7)	9:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
	10:00 a.m.	Coffee Under the Trees – Elders
	10:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Study

Stewardship:

2022	This Week	Year-to-Date (YTD)
Financial Needs	\$12,300.00	\$369,000.00
Received Amount	\$13,790.60	\$373,771.32
Project Peter Receipts	\$575.00	\$100,847.13

Project Peter Loan Balance: \$198,697.63

Flowers for July 30-31 were given by Bill and Gloria Gaudreault in joyful celebration of their 56th Wedding Anniversary!

Online Views (as of July 26) for July 17: 119 views.

Stephanie Roettjer's handbell solo: 91 views ☺

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CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org: Begin studying Deuteronomy on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), near the end of Genesis on Thy Strong Word

(weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and worship with us in Daily Chapel at 10:00 a.m. CT. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfu.org or the KFUE Radio app!

Hymn Preview: *In our worship together this week we will sing these lines from the praise song "Give Thanks":*

*Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks for the Holy One,
Give thanks, because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son,
Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks for the Holy One,
Give thanks, because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son,
And now let the weak say, "I am strong!"
Let the poor say, "I am rich!"
Because of what the Lord has done for us...*

- Hosanna Music, 2008