

GOOD AFTERNOON! WHAT'S HAPPENING (November 2)!

Worship and Education Schedule

Worship services are at 4:00 p.m., on Saturdays, and 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. on Sundays. Adult Bible Class begins at 9:15 with Pastor's study of I Corinthians. Sunday School classes are at 9:15 a.m. on Sundays.

Fall Back – This Sunday, November 5! Please turn your clocks back one hour, you get an extra hour of sleep that night!

Middle school / High school ages are invited to join 8 other Lutheran churches for a "Fun Fall Friday" at Immanuel Loveland tomorrow night, **November 3!** Our combined youth groups will have gym time, dinner, worship, games, and ending with laser tag! Meet at Ascension at 5pm. RSVP with Stephanie at stephanieroettjer@gmail.com.

All Saints Sunday is this weekend, November 4-5. During the worship services, Pastor will read the names of those we have lost since last All Saints Day. We will also have a remembrance in the bulletin for loved ones who passed years ago.

Reminder: Neither Pastor nor any church staff member will ever email, text or call you asking "for a favor," or to request gift cards. Please continue to be cautious, thank you!

Pastor John is offering an Adult Instruction Class on Saturday, November 11 from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and on Sunday, November 12 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. This two-part class is designed to teach the basics of Christian faith and the Lutheran denomination. There is no cost. The instruction book will be provided. Free refreshments!! If you are not a member of Ascension and would like to see what we believe (or even if you are a member, and would like to have a refresher of Lutheran doctrine), you're invited to attend. If you can't attend both days, days will be added later for you to receive all the instruction. Questions? Talk to Pastor!

This Saturday - our GriefShare program, "Surviving the Holidays," will be from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at Ascension. "Surviving the Holidays" is for ALL who have lost a loved one and are dreading the Holidays. Please keep our "Loss of a Spouse" participants and all who have lost a spouse in your prayers. Please register at www.griefshare.org/find_a_group. - Linda Olsen and Sherry Hitztaler



You won't want to miss this item at the BAKE AND CRAFT SALE - NOV. 19th!

PASTOR JOHN modestly and graciously agreed to let us record him singing The Lord's Prayer, along with a bonus hymn of his choosing, to be sold on USB drives at the Bake sale! All proceeds will go to Missions.

To all bakers and crafters, please consider donating your favorite baked goods and/or crafts for this event. Items are needed by Saturday November 18th 9-noon in the Fellowship Hall. Contact Charmaine Rohde if you have questions, 303-618-8889 Thank you.



You are Invited to Join the Ladies Guild next Thursday, November 9, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall, as we welcome Kathryn Roy from Love INC. Kathryn will be sharing with us all of the wonderful things that Love INC does within our community! Coffee & pastries will be provided. Please do not forget to bring a friend and your mites! Please come and be our guest!

Ascension Christmas Families: During the months of November and December we seek to help some of our own families who need assistance during the Christmas season. Our Social Ministry committee sponsors "Christmas Families." If you would like to participate you can help in a number of ways – we need funds to buy presents and gift cards for gifts and for the Christmas meal. Checks should be made out to Ascension and please indicate that the gift is for Christmas Families. We also need people to wrap the presents that are bought. If you would like to be the person who does the shopping for the adults, youth and children on our list, we could use your shopping skills. Dana Niederbrach (303.886.7860) is coordinating this effort – you may contact her with questions or if you'd like to volunteer.

Extended Day Preschool News!

The preschoolers are done with Halloween and we are on to Gratitude and Thanksgiving! There is so much to be thankful and grateful for in our community, isn't there? I have an ask of the congregation...if anyone happens to have an unused park bench (or 2!) in your garage, side of your house, or even in your basement, we would love to have it for the playground! It does not need to be new or pretty, but it does need to have a back and be sturdy. We would also like a wooden accordion-style clothes hanger, the kind that kids take to college (maybe I'm dating myself here). If you have said items, please contact me. Thank you very much!
– Meg Stenman, Preschool Director

The youth are starting to fundraise for their 2024 summer mission trip to Las Animas, CO. They will be working on home repairs for the elderly and disabled. So, they are selling the beautiful 2024 God's Creation Calendars starting this Sunday for \$10. Sign up on the table in the narthex. Thank you for your support!

Families of all ages! We're hosting a **Family Photo Scavenger Hunt** on Friday, November 17th at 6:30pm! Don't miss out on this fun opportunity to laugh with your family and create lasting memories! Make sure to bring a phone to capture pictures. There will be prizes and dessert! Questions, ask Stephanie or Jenna.

The Sunday School children are participating in a service project by filling Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes for children around the world. If you'd like to also be a part of it, we have extra shoeboxes! Please pick up a red and green shoebox in Room 106 on the shelf. Instructions and labels are already in the box, secure with a rubber band (not taped). Return by November 12th. Questions, contact Stephanie, stephanieroettjer@gmail.com

Calling all young adult (or young at heart) ladies! It's time to get together! Save the date for a special ladies' brunch at Jenna Lawrenz's home. We will be meeting for food, fun, and fellowship on Saturday, November 11th, at 10:30 am. Please RSVP to Jenna

at jenna.lindeman@cune.org by Wednesday, November 8th! We want to make sure we have enough food! Invite a friend and join us!

Thank You to everyone who donated cans of tuna in October!

Our final count for the month was 875 cans donated to Integrated Family Community Services! What a blessing to the families in our community!

Thank you from the Severe Weather Shelter Network to everyone who donated hand warmers, emergency blankets and/or travel ponchos! We were able to deliver over 80 hand warmers, 150 blankets, and 15 packets of travel ponchos to the Severe Weather Shelter Network - just in time for the frigid weather we had. Most of the donations came from one very generous family! We have an amazing congregation!



Ann Kaneko, kanekoa43@gmail.com, cell - 720.289.6782

Lori Rolling, Rollingbarn@gmail.com. cell- 720-280-5178

Young Singles are invited to Supper at Trinity Lutheran Church, 4225 S. Yale Ave. in Denver, on November 4 at 4:00 pm. Please RSVP to Juanita Wood, 720-437-1104

The Lutheran Family Services - Rocky Mountains has launched the Thanksgiving Drive with a new request for pots and pans (new) and kitchen utensils and \$50.00 gift cards so that our families can cook and prepare their own meals and shop for food that fits their needs. Drop off this year will be on November 16 from 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM at the LFSRM office – 1035 Osage Street on the first floor. Contact Margo Hatton at 719-250-7491 or margo.hatton@lfsrm.org



SILENT AUCTION - Scout Troop 361 Invites you to participate in their annual Silent Auction fundraiser featuring fabulous items donated by our Littleton community! The auction ends on **Sunday, November 5**. Check out the link:

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SHARING JESUS – It's Important – It's Easy – And Here's How. Written and taught by Pastor Ginkel. Wednesdays at 10:00 am. Room 106. Please join us. Pastor Don's booklet, SHARING JESUS, is available on request.

The Saturday afternoon Bible study led by Curt and Karen Engle: We are studying Exodus on Saturdays at 3:00 pm here at Ascension, and anyone is welcome to join us! We hope to see you there! Email Curt at Kengle0920@gmail.com

Mamas' Coffee Connect (MC²)! We are excited to start a new group for mamas! This will take the place of our MOPS group that met in the past. This is for all moms with kids at home! We will meet the second Monday of each month through the school year from 9:30 - 11:30 am! Our next meeting will be on **Monday, November 13th!** Come for some mama time with devotions, crafts, food, and, of course, coffee! There will be childcare for children who are infant through age 5! Please join us and bring a friend! Contact Jenna Lawrenz at jenna.lindeman@cune.org with any questions!

Ascension Quilters will meet in the Fellowship Hall from 12:30-3:00 p.m. on Friday, November 3. For more information, call Jackie Adams at 303-798-5161.

Life is full of milestone events that impact the gifts we plan from our estates.

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Just as autumn sunshine shows lengthening shadows, so our lives begin to demonstrate aging. In the confidence of our faith, we face the finite length of days now, with confidence, knowing in Jesus that eternity lies in front of us. Yet when we sense that the later years of our lives will bring great changes, it is a good time to speak with personal representatives (executors), trustees or those who will execute our power of attorney documents, making sure they understand our wishes and pledging to carry them forward, in the faithful stewardship of God's things. Your Ascension Gift Planning Counselor can help facilitate these conversations. Contact Jason Jones at Jason.Jones@lfnd.org or call him directly at (970) 988-0305.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

Please consider praying with us on Zoom every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at 2:30 pm. Contact MargoALPasha@yahoo.com

Prayers: For Sharon Seible, at the death of her sister, Linda, on Tuesday evening, October 31; For Tricia McCulley, who is having problems with her back; For Barry Kratzer, who was hospitalized for an infection and is now home; For healing for Carol Shepherd, who has fractured her left shoulder; For Don and Marilyn Loptien's niece, Lesley, who is diabetic and healing from the amputation of her toe; For Della Sanchez; For Sue Eastridge, who will have knee surgery on November 10; For Bob Yakel, a member of the Heritage Artists group who comes to Ascension each week, and is being treated for melanoma; For Jim Schmitt, who is having back surgery today, November 2; For David Stocker, Stephanie Roettjer's father; For Lawrence Brown, who has an infection in his leg; For Jim Bame; For Lee Valdez; For Jimmy Anzai; For Doris Kuhlmann; For peace in Israel and Gaza, in Ukraine, and throughout the world; For our country; For God to send His Holy Spirit on all believers for strengthening of faith and witness.

Flowers on the Altar are given by Dennis and Joyce Lord, in honor of Angelina's Heavenly Birthday; and by Damir and Radka Sabljak, fellow worshipers and viewers online from Prague, Czech Republic, in celebration of their daughter Una's 1st Birthday on November 3!

Thank you so much for all your prayers and kind words during this difficult time with my dad and his stay in the ICU at the hospital! Your prayers made a difference and my family is grateful for your thoughtfulness and caring hearts. I am definitely blessed to be a part of this wonderful church family! - Stephanie Roettjer

From Charlotte Wilkinson: A sincere thank you for all the cards and well wishes that I received for my birthday last week!

Thank you to everyone for the prayers for my grandson, Ryan O'Byrne. He has had stomach surgery, and can now eat food. It is going well. – Barbara Bader

<u>Attendance</u>	Service Time	Attendees	
Saturday, 10/28	4:00 pm	35	
Sunday, 10/29	8:00 am	30	
Sunday, 10/29	10:30 am	22	Total: 87

Online Views (as of October 31) for October 22: 147 views.

Calendar At-a-Glance (Saturday, November 4 – Sunday, November 12):

Sat. (11-4)		FALL BACK ONE HOUR TONIGHT
	9:30 a.m.	Ladies Guild Board Meeting
	10:00 a.m.-Noon	GriefShare: Surviving the Holidays
	4:00 p.m.	Worship with Holy Communion
Sunday (11-5)		ALL SAINTS SUNDAY
	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Bible Study / Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
Mon. (11-6)	9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.	Extended Day Preschool
Tues. (11-7)	9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.	Extended Day Preschool
	9:30 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study
Weds. (11-8)	9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.	Extended Day Preschool
	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study with Pastor Ginkel
	5:00 p.m.	Bible Study with Pastor John
	6:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
	6:00 p.m.	Gloria Dei Ringers
	7:00 p.m.	Ascension Chorale
Thurs. (11-9)	9:00 a.m.	Foundation Meeting
	9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.	Extended Day Preschool
	10:00 a.m.	Ladies Guild General Meeting
Fri. (11-10)	9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.	Extended Day Preschool
	12:30 p.m.	Ascension Quilters
	6:30 p.m.	Young Adult Group
Sat. (11-11)	9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Adult Instruction Class
	9:30 a.m.	Social Ministry Meeting
	10:30 a.m.	Young Women's Group Breakfast

	4:00 p.m.	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
Sunday (11-12)	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Bible Study / Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion
	1:00-4:00 p.m.	Adult Instruction Class

Stewardship:

2023	Sat/Sun, October 28-October 29	Year-to-Date (YTD)
Budgeted Revenue	\$12,000.00	\$528,000.00
Received Amount	\$20,999.00	\$575,661.00
Project Peter Receipts	\$122.00	\$55,517.00

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Rev. Dr. Reed Lessing, Professor of Theology & Ministry and Director of The Center for Biblical Studies at Concordia University St. Paul, discusses questions surrounding Israel's role in God's plan of salvation as the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict continues and intensifies: [Understanding Israel & Palestine](#)