

GOOD AFTERNOON! WHAT'S HAPPENING (November 7)!

Worship Times Worship times are 4:00 on Saturday afternoons, 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings. The Adult class and Sunday School meet at 9:15 a.m. on Sundays. Pastor John will lead the study on II Corinthians this Sunday during the Adult Bible class.

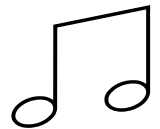
Reminder: please return your Pledge Card to the church office at your earliest opportunity; this helps the Church Council plan next year's budget priorities. *There are extra pledge cards here in the office if needed.* Thank you!

The funeral service for Dolores "Babe" Van Laningham (Mike Zehnder's mom) will be held at Bethlehem Lutheran Church (22nd and Wadsworth) in Lakewood, CO on Monday, November 11 at 11:00 am. An open casket viewing will be held in the Bethlehem narthex before the service at 9:30 am and there is a reception following the service. All are welcome.

We will be receiving New Members on Saturday, November 16 and Sunday, November 17. Please talk to Pastor if you are interested in membership at Ascension. His email is pastorjohnlarson@aol.com, and phone number is 303-794-4636.

Hurricane Disaster Response Total collected donations, *not including* \$2,000.00 already sent to LCMS, is \$5,570.00 to date. The Ascension Foundation has graciously agreed to match \$3,000.00, bringing the total donations so far to \$10,570.00! Thank you to everyone for your generosity!

Seasonal help! If you'd like to join the choir on a short-term basis to sing for Lessons and Carols (12/15) and/or Christmas Eve (12/24), we'd love to have you! Rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings from 7-8 p.m. Contact Stephanie.



NEEDED: More people to bring a pot of chili for our Youth Fundraiser, Trivia Night & Chili Cook-off, on Saturday, November 16th at 5:00 pm! Sign-up at the table in the narthex. Thank you!

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 Congregational Life 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. 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.

Ascension Extended Day Preschool Winter has not officially started yet, but did winter miss the memo? We did not have school on Wednesday and if I was a betting

person, I would say we most likely won't have school tomorrow (Friday). Even though this week has been cut short, we learned that Jj is for Jesus and Qq is for Queen. The kiddos had fun playing in the snow and we shifted our focus from "harvest" to "snow." I mean, what else could we do, lol? This amount of snow proves to me that God has a healthy sense of humor! Enjoy the snow and stay safe out there. ❄️

This is the last weekend to order [Butter Braids](#)! The pastries will be delivered here to the church on November 20th...just in time for the holidays! Church orders will be put in the kitchen freezers with your name on it. Thank you for supporting the preschool! Enjoy! – Grace and Peace, Meg Stenman, Preschool Director

GRIEFSHARE: "AFTER A LOSS, THE HOLIDAY SEASON IS GOING TO BE A BLENDING OF HURT AND JOY," by H. Norman Wright.

"Facing Grief this holiday season? You are not alone. The Grief Support Team at Ascension is planning a GriefShare workshop "Surviving the Holidays," for grievors who dearly miss a loved one this holiday season. Our workshop helps participants know what to expect this holiday season; how to deal with the many emotions; and ways to cope with loss at this special time of year. Please join us this **Saturday, November 9, at Ascension, 10:00 am - Noon.**

And please, pass this information on to someone you know who is hurting from the loss of a loved one and would benefit from this helpful workshop. Extra flyers are available on the small table in the narthex for your use.

Thank you from Linda Olsen and Sherry Hitztaler, Co-Facilitators of ALC'S GriefShare Programs

December Voters' Meeting – Elections

The year-end Voters' Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, December 1st, at noon. In addition to approving the budget for 2025, we will hold elections for half of the officers and board chairs. (Per our new constitution and bylaws, terms are now 2 years.) The following positions are up for election: Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Board of Elders Chairperson, Board for Youth Chairperson, Board for Evangelism Chairperson, and Assistant Secretary. We already have several volunteers, but we need more.

One position that is up for election is the Council Secretary. From our Church Constitution: "The Council Secretary shall keep the minutes of all Council meetings and Voters' Assembly meetings, keep records of attendance at the meetings, and shall sign the official and legal papers and documents as required. The Secretary and Assistant Secretaries shall be responsible to maintain and modify, when necessary, a system for short-term and long-term records retention (i.e., legal documents, contracts, Treasurer's reports, Financial Secretary reports, Voters' Assembly meeting minutes, Council meeting minutes, Congregation history)." If you are interested in serving in this or any other position that is up for election, please contact Bob Hea (roberthea@comcast.net) or Dawn Munson at the Church office.

Ascension Prayer Chain We invite you to join our prayer chain by emailing Jude Donovan at Heyjude264@aol.com.

When you join, she will initially send one confirmation and welcome email to you. Then whenever Jude receives an email request, she will email you. You are asked to pray initially when you receive the request and then continue to pray frequently for the situation and people involved. The request is for the purpose of prayer, and unless told otherwise can be shared at the dinner table, etc. with Grace. If you know the person, you are free to contact them, but not obligated to do so. Some requests will parallel the prayers of the church, but not all. If Jude receives an update, she will forward it to you for prayers of gratitude and glory to God. There will be no formal prayer format, just pray as the Spirit leads you. If there is a confidential request, she will leave out the name as appropriate.

Our prayers are powerful and effective! *Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.* 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Ladies Guild Craft & Bake Sale is November 24th!

Your donated items can be dropped off Saturday November 23rd from 9:00am to noon. Please price your items before drop off. Thank you!

Contact Charmaine Rohde with inquiries: cr23home@outlook.com

303-618-8889

The Ladies Guild Invites You for a Meet & Greet with Pastor Robert Jarvis from the University Lutheran Chapel at CU-Boulder on **Thursday, November 21, 2024 at 9:30 am**. The University Lutheran Chapel at CU is one of the Rocky Mountain District LWML's Mission Grants. University Lutheran Chapel is a campus ministry congregation of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, serving the students, faculty, staff, and community of the University of Colorado with the gifts of Christ's Word and Sacraments.

Coffee/Tea and pastries will be provided - Ladies do not forget to bring a Friend, and your Mites!

Ascension's Quilters Group meets on Fridays at 12:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Come and see what it is all about! For more information, please call Jackie Adams at 303-798-5161 or Patti Zeggert at 303-697-1531.

Young Adult Bible Study The Young Adult Bible Study will meet tomorrow night, Friday, November 8, at Jenna and Michael Lawrenz' house. We will be studying the concept of vocation and how God uses us to carry out His will.

Christmas Sanctuary Decorating – November 30!

Do you love decorating? Or do you just love Christmas? If you answered yes to either of these then please join us in decorating our beautiful Sanctuary and Narthex. We will begin decorating at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, November 30. *Note: You DO NOT need to be able to get up on a ladder to help.*

Bible Study with Pastor Don Ginkel On Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am, please join Pastor Don Ginkel for a Bible study on the Book of Acts. All are welcome!

Saturday Afternoon Bible Study Please join us for the Lighthouse Bible Study, Wilderness Wanderings on Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy, at 3:00 pm Saturday in Room 106. Email Curt at Kengle0920@gmail.com

Gift planning can ensure that your charitable intent is honored in your overall estate plan. Much of financial planning is focused on wealth creation and preservation. Often, the estate planning process can become an extension of that same focus. Working with an Ascension Gift Planning Counselor can enable you to keep your focus on managing God's gifts for God's purposes, for both family and ministry. Contact Jason Jones at Jason.Jones@lfn.org or call him directly at (970) 988-0305.

Prayers: For David and Tina Kaiser's son, Eric Kaiser, who has been suffering from liver failure for almost a year. Eric is on the transplant list as a first priority and was scheduled for a liver transplant yesterday, Wednesday, but the liver was not viable so he is back to waiting. Please pray that the wait will not be long, that surgery will be successful, and that Eric's body will accept the foreign liver. Please pray for Lori Banaszak, an online viewer who is suffering from cancer; For those who will attend our GriefShare seminar; For Mike Zehnder and his family, at the death of his mother, Babe Van Laningham; For Joyce Gallagher, at the death of her friend Michelle Newman; For Lawrence Brown, who had surgery on Tuesday, November 5; For Kent Walters, hospitalized at St. Anthony's with sepsis; For Jim Bame, recovering from a fall; For David Hawk; For Lorraine Winckler; For Kathy Chamberlin, who had back surgeries yesterday and today, November 7th; For Roger and Judy Koester's great granddaughter, Nalani; For Lee Valdez; For James Cooper, with pancreatic cancer; For those affected by violence in Israel, Lebanon, Gaza, and Ukraine; For our beloved country, and especially for its newly-elected leaders; For God to send His Holy Spirit on all believers for strengthening of faith and witness.

Prayers of Thanksgiving that the MRI for Amy Boeding before heading into a recent surgery showed that she has no cancer! Glory be to God!

Flowers on the Altar this weekend are given by Dennis and Joyce Lord, in honor of Angelina's Heavenly Birthday.

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Service Time</u>	<u>Attendees</u>	
Saturday, 11/2	4:00 pm	72	
Sunday, 11/3	8:00 am	89	
	10:30 am	84	
			Total Weekend: 245

Online Views (as of November 5) for October 27: 158 views.

<u>Stewardship</u>	November 2-3	Year-to-Date (YTD)
Budgeted Revenue	\$12,600.00	\$551,000.00
Received Amount	\$12,502.00	\$546,272.00

Calendar (Saturday, November 9 – Sunday, November 17):

Sat. (11-9)	9:30 am	Ladies Guild Board Meeting
	10:00am–12:00pm	GriefShare: Surviving the Holidays
	3:00 pm	Saturday Bible Study
	4:00 pm	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
Sun. (11-10)	8:00 am	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
	9:15 am	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
	10:30 am	Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion
Mon. (11-11)	9:30 am – 2:30 pm	Extended Day Preschool
Tues. (11-12)	9:30 am – 2:30 pm	Extended Day Preschool
	9:30 am	Ladies Bible Study
	6:30 pm	Church Council
Weds.(11-13)	9:30 am – 2:30 pm	Extended Day Preschool
	10:00 am	Bible Study with Pastor Ginkel
	11:30 am	Book Club in the Fellowship Hall
	5:00 pm	Bible Study with Pastor John
	6:00 pm	Confirmation Instruction
	6:00 pm	Gloria Dei Ringers
	7:00 pm	Ascension Chorale
Thurs.(11-14)	9:30 am – 2:30 pm	Extended Day Preschool
Fri. (11-15)	9:30 am – 2:30 pm	Extended Day Preschool
Sat. (11-16)	3:00 pm	Saturday Bible Study
	4:00 pm	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
	5:00 pm	Chili Cook-off and Trivia Night Youth Fundraiser
Sun. (11-17)	8:00 am	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
	9:15 am	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
	10:30 am	Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion

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CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE AM850 & kfuo.org: We will be concluding our study of Numbers on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), and discussing chapters 3-5 of John's Gospel on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT). Tune in to Concord Matters this Saturday (10:00 a.m. CT) for the first episode in a short series on the Mass. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or in the KFUE Radio app!