GOOD AFTERNOON! WHAT'S HAPPENING (May 29)

<u>Our Summer Worship Schedule</u> will begin this weekend! The worship service on Saturday will begin at 4:00 pm (as usual), and we will have <u>one traditional worship service</u> at 9:00 am on Sunday, June 1. The Summer schedule will continue until the weekend of September 7-8.

Preaching Themes and Verses: Summer 2025

June 1 - Faith, Grace, Life! Ephesians 2:8-10

June 8 - Two Masters? Matthew 6:24

June 15 - Why Worry? Matthew 6:25-34

June 22 - Peace John 14:27; 16:33

June 29 - Joy Philippians 4:4-7

July 6 - Forgiven and Forgiving Matthew 6:12

July 13 - Pastor Kelly Crabbe, Preaching

July 20 - Pastor Mike Zehnder, Preaching

July 27 - Too Much!! Matthew 11:28-30

August 3 - Pastor Mike Zehnder, Preaching

August 10 - God in Control Romans 8:28

August 17 - A Fortress Psalm 46

August 24 - A Temple 1Corinthians 6:19-20

August 31 - Work Colossians 3:23-24

<u>Please note</u>, the church parking lot will be repaved on <u>Monday</u>, <u>June 9 through</u> <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>June 11</u>. If you park at church during those 3 days, please park on the south side of the building, along Caley. Thank you.

<u>The Memorial Service for Edna Achziger</u> will be on Thursday, June 12 at 11:00 a.m. A meal will follow the service.

<u>Do you have a Summer Date to Celebrate?</u> Individuals, couples, families, or committees can come together to provide coffee and donuts or other treats after the Sunday morning worship service. This is a wonderful opportunity for fellowship! We still have 2 dates available: August 3 and August 31. Sign up this weekend in the narthex!

<u>The Rocky Mountain District of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod will hold its</u> <u>Convention</u> on May 29-30 at the Denver Marriott South at Park Meadows (10345 Park Meadows Drive, Lone Tree 80124). The Rocky Mountain District is made up of about 160 congregations from Colorado, Utah, New Mexico and El Paso, Texas. We will elect leaders to serve our District, conduct business, listen to reports and spend time in worship and spiritual growth. Anyone is invited to come as a guest. Some of the highlights will be opening worship on May 29th at 1:00, the presentation concerning the work of the Synod by Synodical President, Rev. Dr. Matthew Harrison at 7:00 that

evening. The closing worship will be on Friday, May 30th at 3:50. Pastor John and Arvin Michel will serve as the voting delegates from our congregation.

Scout Breakfast -Sunday, June 1!

Scout Troop 361, based here at Ascension, will be serving breakfast to our parishioners from 10:15 to 11:00 am this Sunday, June 1. The menu will be pancakes, sausage, and fruit, and the scouts will be planning and cooking as part of their cooking merit badge.

<u>Vacation Bible School 2025</u> Monday, June 2 through Friday, June 6! The theme will be "True North: An Alaskan Adventure!" True North VBS shows kids that Jesus is a faithful friend we can always trust. He's our True North!

To register: https://vbspro.events/p/alutheranvbs25

Ladies, we would love to have you join us for our JUNE 9TH brunch at 11:30 a.m. Plan to join us for great fellowship time. We will meet for brunch at TOAST Restaurant, located at 2640 Belleview Ave., Littleton. Reservations will be needed to reserve a room by Friday, June 6th. Yes, you can bring a friend with you! If you would like to attend, please let Shelia Beu know by calling her at 720-202-4739 or email, sheliabeu@yahoo.com. We'd love to have you join us.

<u>The Ordination and Installation of Ben Oesch</u> The congregation of Shepherd of the Hills invites you to the ordination and installation of Ben Oesch as Associate Pastor of Shepherd of the Hills,7691 South University Blvd. in Centennial. **The Service is at 3:00 PM on Sunday, June 15** at Shepherd. Ben is a 2025 graduate of Concordia Seminary in St. Louis. He is married to Amelia and are the parents of a 9-week-old daughter, Olive.

Please include Ben and Amelia and Shepherd of the Hills in your prayers and the prayers of your congregation as we receive Ben, Amelia and Olive at Shepherd!

<u>Funeral Reception Committee</u> If you are able to help set up, serve and/or clean up for funerals at Ascension, please call Patti Zeggert, 303-697-1531 and leave a message. She will call you back. You can also email her at zeggerp@gmail.com

<u>Come to the Coffee Under the Trees on June 8</u>: There will be a table there for everyone who is planning to attend the <u>LVR Retreat</u>, we will help you get registered and will provide a list of items to bring! We will also have information about scholarships, etc.

****Ascension Congregational Retreat – August 1-3*** at Lutheran Valley Retreat near Woodland Park, Colorado! <u>Lutheran Valley Retreat</u> (LVR) is a year-round retreat and summer camp facility for all ages, tucked away in the Pike National Forest. They are located 1.5 hours from Colorado Springs and 2.5 hours from Denver. Their mission is to share God's grace and glory through His creation.

<u>From Friday evening, August 1 until Sunday morning, August 3, 2025</u>, members and friends of our congregation will share Christian fellowship and engage in fun, safe indoor and outdoor activities for all ages. We will be staying in cabins; married couples

may request to stay together as space is available. Bath facilities are near the cabins. Meals are served cafeteria-style. There are trailer hook-ups available (20 amp receptacles), as well as tent campsites.

To register:

Go to https://lvr.org/, scroll down to the bottom of the page, find "Sign Up for a Camp Now" and click "REGISTER." Each family will create a log-in if they have never registered with LVR before. When you reach the list of camp dates, scroll down until you see "Ascension Church Retreat on August 1-3." Then register each family member attending for:

August 1-3: "Ascension Church Retreat"

Password: Ascension

Here is a video if you need help: <u>How to Create an Account and Register for Camp at LVR</u>

The cost is \$175 / person (under age 4 is free) (Cost also applies if you are tent / RV / trailer camping), which includes the program, meals and lodging. **Scholarships and payment plans are available, please call the church office at 303-794-4636**. You will NOT pay for your registration on the LVR website. Instead, please bring your payment to the church office OR you can pay securely online using this link

<u>Ascension's Quilters Group</u> The Quilters are on a break for the summer, and will meet again in September. Please call Jackie Adams at 720-877-0162.

<u>Young Adult Bible Study</u> The Young Adult Bible Study will meet again on Friday, June 13, at Jenna and Michael Lawrenz' house. The group will study "The Case for Christ," by Lee Strobel. For more information, please call or email Jenna at 303-913-3512 or jenna.lindeman@cune.org

<u>Bible Study with Pastor Ginkel:</u> Each Wednesday, Pastor Ginkel leads Bible Study at 10:00 am in Room 106. The group is studying the Book of Acts, everyone is welcome!

<u>Saturday Afternoon Bible Study</u> We meet on Saturdays at 3:00 pm for our Lifelight Bible study on the book of Acts, with a focus on evangelism. Anyone is welcome to join! Email Curt at <u>Kengle0920@gmail.com</u>

We can face competing priorities when we think about planning our estates someday. Will my plans preserve what I have gathered or give it away? Most money professionals will speak with you about wealth creation or wealth preservation. The real joy of God's gifts is found in their use, not their hoarding. Your Ascension Gift Planning Counselor can help you begin thinking about following Godly desires to distribute gifts through your estate. Contact Jason Jones at Jason.Jones@lfnd.org or call him directly at (970) 988-0305.

Happy Birthday to Del Grau, who will celebrate his 80th birthday on Friday, May 30!

<u>Prayers</u>: For our Vacation Bible School, the children who will attend, for their families, and for our hard-working and creative VBS staff and volunteers; For Jackie Adams and her family, at the death of her husband, Jim, on May 29; Please pray also for Jackie's granddaughter, Amy, and her husband Cooper, and for their baby who will be born in early August. The baby will need heart surgery immediately after birth; Prayers for Margo Pasha, whose chemo treatments started on May 28 and are scheduled to end on September 10; For Caleb, friend of Del Grau's niece - Caleb is having two major surgeries and is in critical condition; For Linda Achziger and her family, at the death of her mother, Edna, on May 18. For Tonya Cronberg; For Jim Nichols, beginning treatment for prostate cancer; For Janet Parrott, with health issues; For Starla Moltz; For Larry Nelson, undergoing chemotherapy for lymphoma; For Rick Westra; For Jess and her family, struggling with substance abuse; For the people of Haiti, and for the children living there; For those affected by violence in the Middle East and Ukraine; For our beloved country, and for its leaders; For God to send His Holy Spirit on all believers for strengthening of faith and witness.

<u>Prayers of Thanksgiving</u> For the birth of Dakota Marie Pearman, born May 21 to Jackie and David Pearman! Blessings to their family!

<u>We want to thank everyone</u> for your prayers for our son, Kenny, and his family, and our family, in recent weeks as he was in the hospital for CHF. It was a very challenging time, touch and go, and prayers have been answered. Things are better, but Kenny is not out of the woods. He has a lot of work ahead to regain his energy, stamina, and to heal his heart. – Deb and Bob Shiflet

<u>Flowers on the Altar</u> this weekend are given in loving memory of Bill Gaudreault, by his friends. Bill's memorial service was here at Ascension on May 19.

<u>Attendance</u>	Service Time	Attendees	
Saturday, 5/24	4:00 pm	59	
Sunday, 5/25	8:00 am	59	
_	10:30 am	55	
			Total: 173

Online Views (as of May 28) for May 18: 127 views.

<u>Stewardship</u>	May 17-18	Year-to-Date (YTD)
Budgeted Revenue	\$14,000.00	\$280,000.00
Received Amount	\$18,094.00	\$307,325.00
	May 24-25	Year-to-Date (YTD)
Budgeted Revenue	\$14,000.00	\$294,000.00
Received Amount	\$5,484.00	\$312,809.00

<u> Calendar (Saturday, May 31 – Sunday, June 8):</u>

Sat. (5-31)	3:00 pm	Saturday Bible Study
	4:00 pm	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
Sun. (6-1)	9:00 am	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
	10:15 am	Scout Breakfast – All Are Welcome!
Mon. (6-2)	9:00 am-12:00 pm	Vacation Bible School
Tues. (6-3)	9:00 am-12:00 pm	Vacation Bible School
Weds. (6-4)	9:00 am-12:00 pm	Vacation Bible School
Thurs.(6-5)	9:00 am-12:00 pm	Vacation Bible School
Fri.(6-6)	9:00 am	Vacation Bible School
	12:00 pm	VBS Closing Program & Carnival
Sat. (6-7)	9:30 am	Evangelism Meeting
	3:00 pm	Saturday Bible Study
	4:00 pm	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
Sun. (6-8)	9:00 am	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
	10:15 am	Coffee Under the Trees – Ladies Guild
	10:30 am	Adult Bible Class
	10:30 am	Youth Parent Mtg re National Youth Gathering

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