

## **GOOD AFTERNOON! WHAT'S HAPPENING (May 28)**

**Our Summer Worship Schedule** will begin this weekend! The worship service on Saturday will begin at 4:00 pm (as usual), and we will have one traditional worship service at 9:00 am on Sunday. The Ladies Guild is providing Coffee Under the Trees at 10:00 on Sunday, followed by Adult Bible Study at 10:30. The Summer schedule will continue until the weekend of September 5-6.

**During Pastor's Sabbatical** from June 8 – August 8, the church building will NOT be open on Saturdays until 2:30 in the afternoon. If you or your group need to come in before that time on a Saturday, you will need to contact the church office ([office@alutheran.org](mailto:office@alutheran.org), 303-794-4636) ahead of time to be sure the door is open.

**Church office hours** are:

8:00am – 3:30pm Monday through Thursday

8:00am – 1:00pm on Fridays

Our email is [office@alutheran.org](mailto:office@alutheran.org), phone is 303-794-4636.

The church office will be closed Friday, June 12; Monday, June 15 and Friday, July 3.

**Vacation Bible School** is coming up next week, June 1-5, 2026! Our theme this year is "Rainforest Falls." Beneath a canopy of chattering birds and howling monkeys, kids plunge into a lifelong adventure of discovering the nature of God. They'll explore what it means to have a relationship with God, their Creator, a safe place in life's storms.

Register here: <https://vbspro.events/p/alcvacationbibleschool>

**Snack Supplies for VBS** We need some supplies for VBS snack time. Please bring your donations to the church kitchen this weekend, marked "VBS." If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call or text Charlene Auten (720-317-4242). Here is the link to sign up: [Sign Up Genius](#)

We appreciate your support and generosity in helping make this VBS week awesome!

**The Memorial Reception for Ron Vega** will be Saturday, June 27 at 1:00 pm.

**The Memorial Service for Lois Kreye** will be Saturday, July 4. Time to be determined.

**Nametags** As we prepare for the arrival of Pastor Larry Alb to fill in for Pastor John while he is away this summer, we are printing nametags for you to wear to assist Pastor Alb with learning your name. Please check your box in the narthex, and let the office know ([office@alutheran.org](mailto:office@alutheran.org)) if you need one. Thank you!

**Evangelism** Our next event is a Community Blood Drive on Saturday, July 25th from 10:30 am to 3:30 pm. Please plan to stop by the Church and give blood at the Vitalant Bloodmobile in the parking lot. Our goal is help those in need and also involve the surrounding community in service to others. Vitalant now prefers online sign-up so scan the QR code on a flyer at Church to pick your time. Also, we need help placing flyers around Littleton at various businesses and public buildings in early July. If

interested, please join us at our next Board for Evangelism meeting at 9:30 am on Saturday, June 6th, in room 106 to learn more.

**HAAT FORCE: Resource Friday** will continue through the summer. This will give their clients a chance to have a hot meal and a chance to get supplies. Here is a list of items they could use:

- Suspenders
- Belts
- Q-tips
- Shoes - all sizes
- Body wipes
- Dog food
- Mens underwear (only new please)
- Womens underwear size small (only new please)
- Mens casual pants/jeans all sizes
- Gloves
- Blankets
- Food and drinks - Pop-top Soup / Microwave Individual Mac and Cheese cups / Juice Boxes / Hormel Compleats

Place donations in the HAAT Force box. Questions? Contact Ann Kaneko, 720.289.6782 (cell), kanekoa43@gmail.com.

**“Coffee Under the Trees” - Do you have a Summer Date to Celebrate?**

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! Sign up this weekend in the narthex!

**Extended Day Preschool** We wanted to share an important update regarding the leadership in our Early Learning Center (Preschool). We will be moving forward without our current director, Meg Stenman. We are grateful for the time Meg has spent with our school and the contributions she has made to our program during her tenure. We wish her the absolute best in her future endeavors.

Be assured that long-term leadership planning is already underway. We look forward to reaching out to current and potential families for the 2026-2027 school year! Your prayers are appreciated.

**Online Auction to Benefit Mission Experience in Haiti** From Rev. Mike Paulison: “Despite all the troubles in Haiti, God’s provision remains constant. To follow God’s call, we need your help!

We will be hosting an online auction as a fundraiser this year. We are requesting donations of various items, such as a themed gift basket, handmade craft, artwork, weekend away, house cleaning, lawn mowing, home chef for date night, tickets or passes to places or events, etc. (Please make all donations a minimum of \$50.00 in retail value).

Please send a photo, description, dimensions, estimated value, as well as your name / contact info (we don't mind advertising if you have a business!), suggested opening bid and minimum bid (if needed) to [sarah@missionexperience.org](mailto:sarah@missionexperience.org). Submissions are needed by the end of September."

### **Church Patio Project**

This weekend we will change our Sunday meeting time to 9:00 am., and after the service we will begin the coffee and treats under the trees, what a wonderful time to reflect on the days service and all that God has done for us by coming together. As a congregation so much has been accomplished in the total remodel of our church building and all of its spaces. Now the building committee has worked a plan to upgrade our outdoor meeting space, please study the pictures in the narthex knowing this will cost a modest amount to complete, which is estimated to be around \$80,000. Please consider contributing to the "Project Peter" fund to complete this project. You can follow the donations provided to date on the donation thermometer in the Narthex. Every amount small or large will help to complete the beautification of our grounds in celebration of all God has done for us and this wonderful place where we celebrate His word with each other.

2 Corinthians 9:17:

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

Blessings,

The Capital Campaign Grounds Upgrade Committee: Bob Hea, Art Gordon, Kim McCormick, Chuck Mielke, Terry Utecht, Kathleen Wucherpfenning  
Larry Nisbet (Campaign Committee Chair)

**Ascension Quilters** will not meet this Friday or next, due to Vacation Bible School, but they will meet again on Friday, June 12 in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 12:30 pm. All abilities for more information please call Jackie Adams, 720-877-0162

**Bible Study with Pastor Ginkel:** The group is studying 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians, focusing on a chapter a week. You are welcome to join them each Wednesday at 10:00 am in Room 106.

**Saturday Afternoon Bible Study** We meet each Saturday at 3:00 pm, for our Lighthouse Bible study on the book of Acts, with a focus on evangelism. Email Curt at [Kengle0920@gmail.com](mailto:Kengle0920@gmail.com)

**Young Adult Bible Study** The Young Adult Bible Study will meet Friday, June 12, at 6:30 pm at Jenna and Michael Lawrenz' house, for their Bible study by Louie Giglio. For more information, contact Jenna: 303-913-3512 [jenna.lindeman@cune.org](mailto:jenna.lindeman@cune.org)

**A good gift plan within an estate includes inheritance for family and gifts to ministry.** As you consider an estate gift to your favorite ministry, should you talk with ministry leaders in this planning? Sometimes prospective donors forget to remember that all things belong to the Lord. You may want privacy so as not to brag about your

gift. But in reality, you are simply directing God's things to God's things. Your Ascension Gift Planning Counselor can help facilitate conversations with ministry leaders. Contact Jason Jones at Jason.Jones@lfn.org or call him directly at (970) 988-0305.

**Flowers on the Altar** are given this weekend by Kevin and Diane Cole, in loving memory of Diane's mother, Nancy Bosshart, who died Wednesday morning, May 27, in Truman, Minnesota. Nancy was 91 years old, she will be dearly missed by her friends and family.

**Prayers:** For Ken and Diane Cole and their family, as they mourn Diane's mother, Nancy, who died on Wednesday in Truman, MN; For Starla Moltz, with ulcers and breathing issues; For Hank Peepgrass, following eye surgery on May 28; For Dianne Backhus, for healing following a MOHS procedure; For Phyllis Westra, who will have skin graft surgery for her feet on Monday, June 1; For Mavis Slifka, at Life Care Center of Littleton; For Barb Bader, recovering at home after hip surgery on May 4; For Mike Price, recovering from ankle surgery; For Bill Burchett; For Mike Zehnder, as he considers next steps for his back pain; For Michele Yowell and C.J. Earhart, as they go through cancer treatments; For wisdom and discernment for our leaders, that we might have peace in the Middle East, Ukraine, Haiti, and Venezuela; For God to send His Holy Spirit for strengthening of faith and witness.

<b><u>Attendance</u></b>	<b>Service Time</b>	<b>Attendees</b>	
Saturday, 5/23	4:00 pm	56	
Sunday, 5/24	8:00 am	91	
	10:30 am	65	
			Total: 212

**Online Views** (as of May 26) for May 17: 140 views.

<b><u>Stewardship</u></b>	May 23-24, 2026	Year-to-Date (YTD)
Budgeted Revenue	\$13,000.00	\$273,000.00
Received Amount	\$ 17,786.00	\$310,542.00
Project Peter 2026	\$ 100.00	\$ 27,698.00

**Calendar (Saturday, May 30 – Sunday, June 7):**

Sat. (5-30)	3:00 pm	Saturday Bible Study
	4:00 pm	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
Sun. (5-31)		<b>TRINITY SUNDAY</b>
	9:00 am	Traditional Worship w Holy Communion
	10:15 am	Coffee Under the Trees: Ladies Guild
	10:30 am	Adult Bible Study
Mon. (6-1)	9:00am-12:00pm	<b>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL</b>
Tues. (6-2)	9:00am-12:00pm	<b>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL</b>
Weds. (6-3)	9:00am-12:00pm	<b>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL</b>
Thurs. (6-4)	9:00am-12:00pm	<b>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL</b>

Fri. (6-5)	9:00am	<b>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL</b>
	12:00pm	<b>VBS Closing Program &amp; Carnival</b>
Sat. (6-6)	3:00 pm	Saturday Bible Study
	4:00 pm	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
Sun. (6-7)	9:00 am	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
	10:15 am	Coffee Under the Trees
	10:30 am	Adult Bible Class