



**ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH
JANUARY 15, 2023**



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JANUARY 15, 2023 | THE 2ND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
8:30 & 11:00 AM

- ◆ **OPENING HYMN** “Songs of Thankfulness and Praise” (#394)
- ◆ **HYMN OF PRAISE** “Gloria in Excelsis” (PAGE #204)
- ◆ **THE ANTHEM** “There’s a Song in the Air” ~ Marcie Luna ~ 8:30 AM
- ◆ **THE ANTHEM** “Come Follow Me” ~ Sanctuary Choir
with Kaela Hannemann ~ violin ~ 11:00 AM
- ◆ **READINGS** Isaiah 49:1-7, 1 Corinthians 1:1-9, John 1:29-42 a
- ◆ **HYMN OF THE DAY** “Lamb of God” (#550)
- ◆ **THE SERMON** “The Satisfaction Survey” ~ Pastor Michael Bingenheimer
1 Corinthians 1:1-9
- ◆ **COMMUNION HYMNS** “O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright” (#395)
- ◆ **COMMUNION HYMNS** “Come, Join in Cana’s Feast” (#408)
- ◆ **COMMUNION HYMNS** “Baptismal Waters Cover Me” (#616)

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Large print bulletins are available from the ushers.

ALTAR FLOWERS: Happy 57th Wedding Anniversary ~ Jim & Kathy Germolus



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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

CONGREGATION STAND

THE OPENING HYMN

"Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"

(#394)



1 Songs of thank - ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to Thee we raise,
2 Man - i - fest at Jor-dan's stream, Proph-et, Priest, and King su-preme;
3 Man - i - fest in mak-ing whole Pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;
4 Sun and moon shall dark-ened be, Stars shall fall, the heav'ns shall flee;
5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Pres - ent in Thy ho - ly Word—



Man - i - fest-ed by the star To the sa - ges from a - far,
And at Ca - na wed - ding guest In Thy God-head man - i - fest;
Man - i - fest in val - iant fight, Quell-ing all the dev - il's might;
Christ will then like light - ning shine, All will see His glo - rious sign;
Grace to im - i - tate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou;



Branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem In Thy birth at Beth - le - hem:
Man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, Chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
Man - i - fest in gra - cious will, Ev - er bring-ing good from ill;
All will then the trum - pet hear, All will see the Judge ap - pear;
That we might be - come like Thee At Thy great e - piph - a - ny



An - thems be to Thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
An - thems be to Thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
An - thems be to Thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
Thou by all wilt be con-fessed, God in man made man - i - fest.
And may praise Thee, ev - er blest, God in man made man - i - fest.

†THE PREPARATION†

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L: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

L: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: **Who made heaven and earth.**

L: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

L: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

KNEEL OR SIT

C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

L: Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which you daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen

CONGREGATION STAND

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

"Gloria in Excelsis"

(PAGE # 204)



1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro- claimed at Je-sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Let us pray:

C: Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CONGREGATION SIT

THE ANTHEM

“There's a Song in the Air” ~ Marcie Luna ~ 8:30 AM

THE ANTHEM

“Come Follow Me” ~ Sanctuary Choir ~
with Kaela Hannemann ~ violin~ 11:00 AM

†THE SERVICE OF THE WORD†

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

~ Isaiah 49:1-7 ~

¹Listen to me, O coastlands, and give attention, you peoples from afar.

The LORD called me from the womb, from the body of my mother he named my name.

²He made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of his hand he hid me;

he made me a polished arrow; in his quiver he hid me away. ³And he said to me, “You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.” ⁴But I said, “I have labored in vain;

I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my right is with the LORD,

and my recompense with my God.” ⁵And now the LORD says, he who formed me from the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him; and that Israel might be gathered to him— for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD, and my God has become my strength—

⁶he says: “It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob

and to bring back the preserved of Israel; I will make you as a light for the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.” ⁷Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,

to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nation, the servant of rulers:

“Kings shall see and arise; princes, and they shall prostrate themselves; because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE EPISTLE READING

~ 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 ~

¹Paul, called by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and our brother Sosthenes,
²To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:
³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus,
⁵that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge—⁶even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

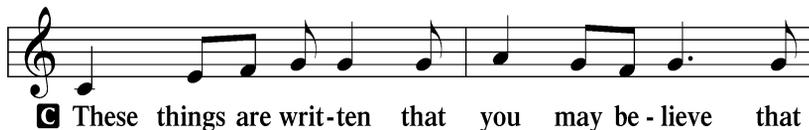
L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

CONGREGATION STAND

THE ALLELUIA AND VERSE

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THE HOLY GOSPEL

~ John 1:29-42 a ~

²⁹The next day [John] saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.' ³¹I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel." ³²And John bore witness: "I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him.

³³I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' ³⁴And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God." ³⁵The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God!" ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them, "What are you seeking?" And they said to him, "Rabbi" (which means Teacher), "where are you staying?" ³⁹He said to them, "Come and you will see." So they came and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. ⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which means Christ). ⁴²He brought him to Jesus.

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE HYMN OF THE DAY

"Lamb of God"

(#550)



1 Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, But You have
 2 Your Gift of love they cru - ci - fied, They laughed and
 3 I was so lost, I should have died, But You have



sent Him from Your side To walk up - on this guilt - y
 scorned Him as He died: The hum - ble King they named a
 brought me to Your side To be led by Your staff and



sod, And to be - come the Lamb of God.
 fraud, And sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God.
 rod, And to be called a lamb of God.



Refrain

O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the ho - ly Lamb of God!



O wash me in His pre - cious blood, My Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God.

CONGREGATION SIT

THE SERMON

“The Satisfaction Survey”

Pastor Michael Bingenheimer

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

CONGREGATION STAND

THE NICENE CREED

C: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life † of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH Prayer bulletins are available on the prayer box in the mix area.

CONGREGATION SIT

THE OFFERING

To give, text “GIVE (and the \$ amount)” to 833-429-8050

CONGREGATION STAND

HOLY COMMUNION PARTICIPATION: The Lord’s Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord’s body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked to first speak with the pastor or an usher. Gluten-Free wafers are available at the communion table. Please inform your server when you come forward.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

THE PAX DOMINI

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

THE AGNUS DEI

(PAGE #210)



C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

COMMUNION HYMNS

“O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright”

(#395)



1 O Morn - ing Star, how fair and bright! You shine with God's
 2 Come, heav'n - ly Bride - groom, Light di - vine, And deep with - in
 3 Lord, when You look on us in love, At once there falls
 4 Al - might - y Fa - ther, in Your Son You loved us when



own truth and light, A - glow with grace and mer - cy!
 our hearts now shine; There light a flame un - dy - ing!
 from God a - bove A ray of pur - est plea - sure.
 not yet be - gun Was this old earth's foun - da - tion!



Of Ja - cob's race, King Da - vid's son, Our Lord and mas -
 In Your one bod - y let us be As liv - ing branch -
 Your Word and Spir - it, flesh and blood Re - fresh our souls
 Your Son has ran - somed us in love To live in Him



ter, You have won Our hearts to serve You on - ly!
 es of a tree, Your life our lives sup - ply - ing.
 with heav'n - ly food. You are our dear - est trea - sure!
 here and a - bove: This is Your great sal - va - tion.



Low - ly, ho - ly! Great and glo - rious, All vic - to - rious,
 Now, though dai - ly Earth's deep sad - ness May per - plex us
 Let Your mer - cy Warm and cheer us! O draw near us!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the liv - ing, To us giv - ing



Rich in bless - ing! Rule and might o'er all pos - sess - ing!
 And dis - tress us, Yet with heav'n - ly joy You bless us.
 For You teach us God's own love through You has reached us.
 Life for - ev - er, Keeps us Yours and fails us nev - er!

5 O let the harps break forth in sound!
 Our joy be all with music crowned,
 Our voices gladly blending!
 For Christ goes with us all the way—
 Today, tomorrow, ev'ry day!
 His love is never ending!
 Sing out! Ring out!
 Jubilation!
 Exultation!
 Tell the story!
 Great is He, the King of Glory!

6 What joy to know, when life is past,
 The Lord we love is first and last,
 The end and the beginning!
 He will one day, oh, glorious grace,
 Transport us to that happy place
 Beyond all tears and sinning!
 Amen! Amen!
 Come, Lord Jesus!
 Crown of gladness!
 We are yearning
 For the day of Your returning!

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COMMUNION HYMNS

“Come, Join in Cana’s Feast”

(#408)



1 Come, join in Ca - na's feast Where
 2 The old wine now is gone From
 3 But Christ, the Word made flesh, Bids
 4 Come, friends, and share the feast; Here
 △ 5 For now He lives and reigns Through



Christ is hon - ored guest. He wel - comes all who
 jars that stand a - part. No long - er can it
 wa - ter turn to wine. He fills our emp - ty
 drink the wine sup - plied By Him who is both
 all e - ter - ni - ty With Fa - ther, Spir - it,



come to taste The wine His hands have blessed.
 sat - is - fy The yearn - ing, thirst - ing heart.
 cups a - gain With grace and truth di - vine.
 guest and host— For us, the cru - ci - fied.
 Three in One, The glo - rious Trin - i - ty.

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COMMUNION HYMNS

“Baptismal Waters Cover Me”

(#616)



1 Bap - tis - mal wa - ters cov - er me As I ap -
2 I look to Christ up - on the tree, His bod - y
3 Lord, may Your wound - ed hand im - part Your heal - ing
4 From Your own mouth comes forth a word; Your shep - herd
5 Bap - tis - mal wa - ters cov - er me; Christ's wound - ed



proach on bend - ed knee; My Fa - ther's mer - cy
bro - ken there for me; I lay be - fore Him
to my bro - ken heart; Your love a - lone can
speaks, but You are heard; Through him Your hand now
hand has set me free. Held in my Fa - ther's



here I plead, For griev - ous sins of thought and deed.
all my sin, My dark - est se - crets from with - in.
form in me A heart that serves You joy - ful - ly.
stretch - es out, For - giv - ing sin, de - stroy - ing doubt.
strong em - brace, With joy I praise Him for His grace.

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CONGREGATION STAND

THE DISMISSAL

THE POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

THE BENEDICTION

L: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

L: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

C: Amen.



1 Church of God, e - lect and glo - rious, Ho - ly
 2 God has called you out of dark - ness In - to the
 4 Church of God, e - lect and ho - ly, Be the



na - tion, cho - sen race; Called as God's own
 His most mar - v'ulous light; Brought His truth to
 peo - ple He in - tends; Strong in faith and



spe - cial peo - ple, Roy - al priests and heirs of
 life with - in you, Turned your blind - ness in - to
 swift to an - swer Each com - mand your Mas - ter



grace: Know the pur - pose of your call - ing,
 sight. Let your light so shine a - round you
 sends: Roy - al priests, ful - fill your call - ing



Show to all His might - y deeds; Tell of love that
 That God's name is glo - ri - fied And all find fresh
 Through your sac - ri - fice and prayer; Give your lives in



knows no lim - its, Grace that meets all hu - man needs.
 hope and pur - pose In Christ Je - sus cru - ci - fied.
 joy - ful ser - vice— Sing His praise, His love de - clare.

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ADULT *Sunday School*

ADULT BIBLE STUDY: SUNDAY MORNINGS

Bible Study with Tim Shook at our Tyler Campus at 9:45 AM. "Chronological Walk Through the New Testament". This Bible Study meets in rooms 15-16.

Bible Study with Gary James at our Tyler Campus at 9:45 AM "The Ten Commandments". The Bible Study meets in rooms 17-18.

Bible Study at our Maple Campus at 9:00 AM. This Bible Study meets in the Commons Building. "The Ten Commandments".

Men's Bible study on Thursday mornings at 6 AM at our Maple Campus in the Commons building. We will study 1 John for 4-5 weeks and then begin another study. This study will continue through May.



Tyler Campus Sunday School will meet every Sunday morning at 9:45 AM. Please meet in the Library each Sunday morning.

CHILDREN'S *Sunday School*

Sunday School at the Gathering at the Commons on Sunday mornings at our Maple Campus. We will begin at 9 AM in the commons building. Adults, Pre ~ K, & grade school youth are invited to join us.



Common Ground Wednesdays:)

Please make sure you sign up for the mealtimes each week. We would like to know how many will be coming for dinner. Meals will be \$5 per person. Please sign up before Monday evening each week. Dinner will be served from 5-6 PM, Fun Room and other things for the kids from 6-6:30 PM, Bible Studies and confirmation from 6:30-7:30 PM.

Adult Bible Study (Hospitality Room 6:30—7:30 PM) ~ Studying the 10 Commandments

1-18-23 Parmesan Chicken, Corn, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Tossed Salad with Dressings,
Yummy Desserts and Drinks.

Use the QR code or the sign up genius link to sign up for your meals.

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NEW QR CODE AND SIGN UP GENIUS LINK!



TYLER CAMPUS: A flower Sign-up Book for Altar flowers given in 2023 is located at our Communication Center as you come out of the Sanctuary. The book has a page for each month in 2023 to sign your name, telephone number and occasion. The costs for the 2 bouquets placed at the altar area is \$40. If two families or person sign up for the same Sunday, the costs are split. After the late church service, you may take your flowers with you. The flowers are a great way to honor or in remembrance of someone or for any occasion or celebration. Someone from the Altar Circle will contact you during your month in which you are providing the flowers. Thank you for helping to beautify our church each Sunday.



Registration is Now Open
February - April Fellowship Groups

Registration is now open for the February - April 2023 Around the Table fellowship meals. Registration will close after Sunday, January 29 and groups will be assigned that week. This is a great way to get to know more people.



The LWML Elizabeth Circle will have their monthly meeting on Thursday, January 19 at 7 p.m. in the hospitality room. All women are invited to attend. Any questions, contact Carmen Miller at 794-3597.

Prayer for College Students & Campus Ministry: Thank you, Father, for the blessing of higher education. Thank you for opportunities to gain knowledge and skills that young adults can use to steward the earth as you have called us to do. Lead all students to follow you. Help them to be dedicated and studious and strive for excellence on the path you have put them. Be with those that walk closely with college students to encourage them, and point them to Jesus, especially our local campus ministry, Fairmount Ministries, their staff, leaders, and volunteers! Amen!

The **Weekly College Gathering** will resume at Fairmount Ministries & Coffee Co. in Wichita on Tuesday, January 17 at 7pm. All college students or college-aged young adults are welcome. Contact Paige Edgington with questions or more information at 316-617-4567.



GRADES (3rd—12th)

NEW GROUND: (3rd, 4th & 5th graders):

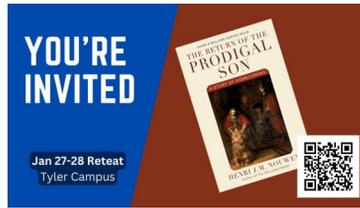
Bring your friends! Friday, January 20th 6-8 PM. We will meet at All Star Sports at the front entrance.

MIDDLE GROUND: (6th, 7th, & 8th graders):

Bring all your friends. Light House, Friday, February 10th, 7-10 PM, dinner will be served.

HIGHER GROUND: (9-12th graders): We meet on Wednesdays from 6-7:30 PM. If you have a service project for us, please contact Cyndy Bressler, we will be serving once a month and would love to help you. Cyndy 316-734-1437.

If you have a project we would love to help you with it. Let Cyndy know how we can serve you:)



The Henri Nouwen Guided Book Tour Retreat will begin at 6:30 PM on Friday, January 27 and continue on Saturday, January 28 from 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM at our Tyler Campus of Ascension Lutheran Church. Lunch on Saturday will be provided. All participants will receive a copy of Henri Nouwen's book *The Return of the Prodigal Son*. Registration fee of \$25 will be paid at the retreat.

Please use the QR code provided to register.



The church office needs your help.

We are in the process of a new database for our church and would love your help. Please call Cyndy in the church office and give us all your current contact information. We are working on cleaning up our database. Cyndy will be working on a new church directory once we receive all the updated information. Thank you for your help. We appreciate it.
316-722-4694



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Dylan Jahnke (SUN)
Mandi Popp (SUN)
Emily Cork (MON)
Jade Goracke (TUES)
Harvey Kutschka (TUES)
Deana Nelson (TUES)
Josh Thomas (TUES)
Michelle Anderson (WED)
Stephanie Casey (WED)
Annaly Rodriguez (WED)



Sheila Rumsey (WED)
Logan Taylor (WED)
Brenda Banta (THURS)
Blayre Cline (THURS)
Alan Gaul (THURS)
Lewis Heil (THURS)
Dan Meyers (THURS)
Paul Peckman (THURS)
Emily Frakes (FRI)
Charlotte Mandalek (FRI)

**HAPPY
Birthday
FROM YOUR
CHURCH FAMILY**

Jennifer Manuel (FRI)
Callie Medlin (FRI)
Sam Shook (FRI)
Michelle Titterington (FRI)
Marian Hammond (SAT)
Dan Peterson (SAT)



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Fast one-time donations

To give, text "GIVE (and the \$ amount)" to 833-429-8050.

GIVING ELECTONICALLY:

Electronic giving is a fast and secure way to fund the important work we are called to do.

To give, go to this link <https://ascension.onechurchsoftware.com/giving> and set up your account for a one time giving or a reoccurring giving. It is that simple.

Give anytime, anywhere to Ascension. You can schedule and manage recurring donations, make a one-time donation, or give to a memorial. If you need assistance or have any questions, please contact the church office, and speak to Chris or Cyndy. We would be glad to help you make the switch. We appreciate your support and patience as we try to make things easier for everyone. Thank you.



stayCONNECTED

GOD'S BLESSINGS ON YOUR WEEK :)

Check out the Church Calendar for what is happening next week:)

A Minute with Vicar Matthew

January 1, 2023

Dear Ascension Lutheran Church,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Thanks to the winter storm which affected most of the country, even Florida felt like Christmas with temperatures falling below freezing at night. Even though the weather was chilly, it was still different for Amy and I to be so far from family this Christmas. I suppose that is normal for most people in ministry, yet it was an unusual feeling for both of us. Several families here at St. Luke's were incredibly generous to invite us into their families on Christmas Day. Now that Christmas is over, I can see everything left to do in the remaining half of my vicarage. This year has truly been a blessing to learn how God leads his people through pastors.

December was a busy month for everyone around here. All around the office and school everyone was busy getting ready for Christmas. I was in charge of finishing the midweek Advent series, which was a fun challenge to prepare messages quickly. For Christmas, my only duty was the sermon on Christmas Day. The services here were wonderful. An annual event here at St. Luke's is their walk through live nativity. Dozens of volunteers set up and enact various scenes from the Christmas story. My part was the very end where I told the viewers that this baby grew up and died for them so that they may be a part of his story. The production was something to rival Disney, in my opinion. The week between Christmas and New Years has been a time to regroup and focus on what is next for the remainder of my vicarage.

Oh, what fun it is to have a vicarage in Florida! Amy and I have had the most fun attending Christmas parties, seeing Christmas lights, visiting the second tallest lighthouse in the U.S, and even going to Disney. Our week days and our weekends were packed with different events. St. Luke's is more generous to us than we could ever deserve. Many members have included us in their gatherings and some who are retired from Disney gave us tickets. Once Amy reached her Christmas break, we were able to spend some relaxing time together. We visited Ponce Inlet which is home to the second tallest lighthouse in the U.S. The view from the top was worth the 220 steps to get there!

I am truly grateful for this year to meet and learn from some of the most amazing people. Thank you for your generous support and prayers. Merry Christmas!

In Christ,

Matthew Goltl

 <p>Looking Ahead to 2023</p> <p>Sunday 1-15-23</p>	<p>*** Tyler Campus (TC), Maple Campus (MC), Off Campus (OC) ***</p> <p>8:30 AM Worship Service ~ (TC) ~ Sanctuary 9:00 AM Adult Bible Studies ~ (MC) ~ Meets in the Commons Building 9:45 AM Adult Bible Studies ~ (TC) ~ Tim Shook Rooms 15-16 9:45 AM CGS ~ (TC) ~ Meets in the Library 9:45 AM Adult Bible Studies ~ (TC) ~ Gary James & Tim Banta Room 17-18 10:00 AM Worship Service ~ (MC) ~ Sanctuary 10:15 AM Children's Church ~ (MC) ~ Meets in the Commons 11:00 AM Worship Service ~ (TC) ~ Sanctuary</p>
<p>Monday 1-16</p>	<p>9:00 AM Ascension Preschool ~ (TC) ~ Preschool rooms 9:30 AM Tops Monday ~ (TC) ~ Rooms 15-16 7:00 PM Tyler Commission of Stewardship ~ (TC) ~ Room 31 7:00 PM Monday Night Scouts ~ (TC) ~ PAC, Rooms 15-16 7:00 PM Monday Night Women's Bible Study ~ (TC) ~ Library</p>
<p>Tuesday 1-17</p>	<p>9:00 AM Ascension Preschool ~ (TC) ~ Preschool rooms 9:30 AM Monday Morning Tops ~ (TC) ~ Rooms 15-16 1:00 PM Visitation ~ (TC) ~ PAC & Kitchen 7:00 PM Full Board Meeting ~ (TC) ~ Room 31</p>
<p>Wednesday 1-18</p>	<p>9:00 AM Ascension Preschool ~ (TC) ~ Preschool rooms 9:00 AM Peace by Piece ~ (TC) ~ Quilters room 1:00 PM Staff Meeting ~ (TC) ~ Hospitality room 5:00 PM Common Ground Meal ~ (TC) ~ PAC 6:00 PM Higher Ground ~ (TC) ~ Sr. High Room 6:30 PM Alleluia Bells ~ (TC) ~ Sanctuary 6:30 PM Fun Room, Bible Studies, Confirmation ~ (TC) ~ various rooms 7:45 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal ~ (TC) ~ Sanctuary</p>
<p>Thursday 1-19</p>	<p>6:00 AM Men's Thursday Morning Bible Study ~ (MC) ~ Commons Building 9:00 AM Ascension Preschool ~ (TC) ~ Preschool rooms 9:00 AM Women's Thursday Morning Bible Study ~ (TC) ~ Library 7:00 PM LWML Elizabeth Circle ~ (TC) ~ Hospitality Room</p>
<p>Friday 1-20</p>	<p>9:00 AM Ascension Preschool ~ (TC) ~ Preschool rooms 6:00 PM NEW GROUND ~ (OC) ~ All Star Sports</p>
<p>Saturday 1-21</p>	<p>9:00 AM Passageways Annual Meeting ~ (TC) ~ Rooms 15-16 9:00 AM Scouts Pinewood Derby ~ (TC) ~ PAC 5:30 PM Saturday Night Worship Service ~ (MC) ~ Sanctuary</p>
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