

Church of the Ascension

August 1, 2021

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30am

Welcome to the Church of the Ascension

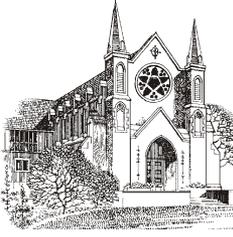
We are pleased to have you worship with us. If you are visiting and have not registered, the ushers will ask for your name for contact tracing. All are invited to meet on the front lawn after the service (observing social distancing). Let's get to know each other!

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Holy Eucharist, EOW, 10:30am

Please note that in our liturgy when we refer to God we cannot adequately verbalize the magnitude and comprehensiveness of God's diversity and are always limited by our use of language. We acknowledge that although Jesus was born into history as a man, neither God the Father nor God the Holy Spirit were embodied with human sex. Although our language is often not all inclusive we believe God always is. God made human beings in God's own image with complexity and diversity. Thank you for sharing your diversity and complexity with us as we worship God together.

The Liturgy of the Word

Voluntary: Variations on *Cwm Rhondda* by Hal Hopson and
Charles Callahan

Welcome

Opening Acclamation (*The people standing*) *EOW 50*

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People ***Glory to God for ever and ever.***

Song of Praise: Be Still for the Presence of the Lord **David Evans**

*Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here;
Come bow before Him now
with reverence and with fear.
In him no sin is found,
We stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here.*

*Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around;
He burns with holy fire,
With splendor he is crowned.
How awesome is the sight,
Our radiant king of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.*

*Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.
He comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister his grace.
No work too hard for Him.
In faith receive from Him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.*

Coda:

*Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee:
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.*

Be still, be still, *the Holy One is here.*

The Collect for the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Presider God be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Presider Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

People sit for the reading of the lessons

There in the desert they started complaining to Moses and Aaron, “We wish the LORD had killed us in Egypt. When we lived there, we could at least sit down and eat all the bread and meat we wanted. But you have brought us out here into this desert, where we are going to starve.”

The LORD said to Moses, “I will send bread down from heaven like rain. Each day the people can go out and gather only enough for that day. That’s how I will see if they obey me.

Moses turned to Aaron and said, “Bring the people together, because the LORD has heard their complaints.”

Aaron was speaking to them, when everyone looked out toward the desert and saw the bright glory of the LORD in a cloud. The LORD said to Moses, “I have heard my people complain. Now tell them that each evening they will have meat and each morning they will have more than enough bread. Then they will know that I am the LORD their God.”

That evening a lot of quails came and landed everywhere in the camp, and the next morning dew covered the ground. After the dew had gone, the desert was covered with thin flakes that looked like frost. The people had never seen anything like this, and they started asking each other, “What is it?”

Moses answered, “This is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

Psalm 78:23-29

God gave orders to the skies above,
opened heaven’s doors,
²⁴ ***and rained manna on them so they could eat.***
He gave them the very grain of heaven!
²⁵ Each person ate the bread of the powerful ones;
God sent provisions to satisfy them.
²⁶ ***God set the east wind moving across the skies***
and drove the south wind by his strength.

²⁷ He rained meat on them as if it were dust in the air;
he rained as many birds as the sand on the seashore!

²⁸ *God brought the birds down in the center of their camp,
all around their dwellings.*

²⁹ So they ate and were completely satisfied;
God gave them exactly what they had craved.

A Reading from Ephesians

4:1-16

As a prisoner of the Lord, I beg you to live in a way that is worthy of the people God has chosen to be his own. Always be humble and gentle. Patiently put up with each other and love each other. Try your best to let God's Spirit keep your hearts united. Do this by living at peace. All of you are part of the same body. There is only one Spirit of God, just as you were given one hope when you were chosen to be God's people. We have only one Lord, one faith, and one baptism. There is one God who is the Father of all people. Not only is God above all others, but he works by using all of us, and he lives in all of us.

Christ has generously divided out his gifts to us. As the Scriptures say,

“When he went up
to the highest place,
he led away many prisoners
and gave gifts to people.”

When it says, “he went up,” it means that Christ had been deep in the earth. This also means that the one who went deep into the earth is the same one who went into the highest heaven, so that he would fill the whole universe.

Christ chose some of us to be apostles, prophets, missionaries, pastors, and teachers, so that his people would learn to serve and his body would grow strong. This will continue until we are united by our faith and by our understanding of the Son of God. Then we will be mature, just as Christ is, and we will be completely like him.

We must stop acting like children. We must not let deceitful people trick us by their false teachings, which are like winds that toss us around from place to place. Love should always make us tell the truth. Then we will grow in every way and be more like Christ, the

head of the body. Christ holds it together and makes all of its parts work perfectly, as it grows and becomes strong because of love.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand

Sequence Hymn Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

H690

*1 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand;
bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore,
feed me now and evermore.*

*2 Open now the crystal fountain,
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through;
strong deliverer, strong deliverer.
be thou still my strength and shield,
be thou still my strength and shield.*

*3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side;
songs of praises, songs of praises,
I will ever give to thee,
I will ever give to thee.*

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ
according to **John**

6:24-35

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

They saw that Jesus and his disciples had left. Then they got into the boats and went to Capernaum to look for Jesus. They found him on the west side of the lake and asked, “Rabbi, when did you get here?”

Jesus answered, “I tell you for certain that you are not looking for me because you saw the miracles, but because you ate all the food

you wanted. Don't work for food that spoils. Work for food that gives eternal life. The Son of Man will give you this food, because God the Father has given him the right to do so."

"What exactly does God want us to do?" the people asked.

Jesus answered, "God wants you to have faith in the one he sent."

They replied, "What miracle will you work, so that we can have faith in you? What will you do? For example, when our ancestors were in the desert, they were given manna to eat. It happened just as the Scriptures say, 'God gave them bread from heaven to eat.'"

Jesus then told them, "I tell you for certain that Moses wasn't the one who gave you bread from heaven. My Father is the one who gives you the true bread from heaven. And the bread that God gives is the one who came down from heaven to give life to the world."

The people said, "Lord, give us this bread and don't ever stop!"

Jesus replied:

I am the bread that gives life! No one who comes to me will ever be hungry. No one who has faith in me will ever be thirsty.

Presider The Gospel of our Savior.

People: ***Praise to you, Lord Christ***

The people sit

The Sermon

Michael Crowdes

The people stand

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

"The Creeds are statements of our basic beliefs about God". *BCP 851*

We say these words as a gathered community to affirm our belief in God as creator, redeemer, and sustainer of all creation, as the source of life and holiness. God has blessed humanity with relationships and community which are part of God's own essence as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We do not say these words as some sort of litmus test but as an invitation to wrestle with the mystery and complexity of God with generations of Christians who have gone before us and with generations who will come after us.

***We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,***

*maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.
Who has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

The Prayers of the People

Stand or kneel as the Holy Spirit leads.

The Leader and People pray.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

*Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in
your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the
world.*

Silence

Gracious God,
Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Gracious God,
Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Gracious God,
Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Gracious God,
Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

We pray especially for (... *the names on the long-term prayer list are read*).

Gracious God,
Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

We pray especially for (...*the names of the recently deceased are read*).

Gracious God,
Hear our prayer.

Presider says

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth:
Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to
do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Stand or kneel as the Holy Spirit leads.

The Confession of Sin

EOW 56

The Presider says

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

Presider and People

**God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.**

The Priest, stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through
our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the
power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

All stand

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

*Then the Ministers and People greet one another with a wave, bow, or
appropriate gesture but keep social distance.*

For those celebrating birthdays

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Offertory Sentence

Offertory Music: 'Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive' H674

*1. 'Forgive our sins as we forgive,'
you taught us, Lord, to pray,
but you alone can grant us grace
to live the words we say.*

*2. How can your pardon reach and bless
the unforgiving heart,
that broods on wrongs and will not let
old bitterness depart?*

*3. In blazing light your cross reveals
the truth we dimly knew:
how small the debts men owe to us,
how great our debt to you!*

*4. Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls,
and bid resentment cease;
then, reconciled to God and man,
our lives will spread your peace.*

The Offering of God's Tithes and Offerings

*The gifts of the people are offered at this time, including bread and wine.
The alms plates are not processed, and remain by the entrances.*

All stand

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer 2

EOW 60

Presider The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People ***We lift them to the Lord.***

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People ***It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

Presider

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God,
source of life abundant.

From before time you made ready the creation.

Your Spirit moved over the deep
and brought all things into being:

sun, moon, and stars;

earth, winds, and waters;

and every living thing.

You made us in your image,

and taught us to walk in your ways.

But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away;

and yet, as a mother cares for her children,

you would not forget us.

Time and again you called us

to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels
in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity,
lifting our voices to magnify you as we say:

Sanctus and Benedictus

W858

Presider and People

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel and the Presider continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God.
To deliver us from the power of sin and death
and to reveal the riches of your grace,
you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant,
that she might conceive and bear a son,
Jesus the holy child of God.
Living among us, Jesus loved us.
He broke bread with outcasts and sinners,
healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor.
He yearned to draw all the world to himself
yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.
Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross
the sacrifice of his life,
and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us,
Jesus was at table with his friends.
He took bread, gave thanks to you,
broke it, and gave it to them, and said:
“Take, eat:
This is my Body, which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine.
Again, he gave thanks to you,
gave it to them, and said:
“Drink this, all of you:
This is my Blood of the new Covenant,
which is poured out for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me.”

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation,
and remembering Christ, crucified and risen,
who was and is and is to come,
we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine,
and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts
that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.

Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth
and make us your new creation,
the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us,
with all your saints,
from every tribe and language and people and nation,
to feast at the banquet prepared
from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
to you be honor, glory, and praise,
for ever and ever. *AMEN.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer (*spoken*)

BCP 364

People and Presider

*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,
for ever and ever. Amen.*

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept

Fraction Anthem

W877

Refrain:

*The disciples knew the Lord Jesus,
in the breaking of the bread.*

1. *The bread which we break, alleluia,
is the communion of the body of Christ.*

Refrain

2. *One body are we, alleluia,
for though many we share one bread.*

Refrain

The Invitation to Communion

BCP 364

Presider says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All people are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Children of all ages are included in this invitation. Those who do not wish to receive communion are welcome to receive a blessing from the priest. Simply cross your arms across your chest to indicate this.

The presider invites those not receiving the sacrament to make a spiritual communion, led by the reader.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

from the Prayer Book for the Armed Services

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Communion Hymns: Let Us Build a House

Marty Haugen

*1. Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive.*

***Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place***

***2. Let us build a house where prophets speak,
and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek
to dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness
and as symbol of God's grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:
all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place***

***3. Let us build a house where love is found
in water, wine, and wheat;
a banquet hall on holy ground
where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus,
is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:
all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place***

***4. Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger:
all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place***

***5. Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace;
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:
all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place***

*1. Bread of the world, in mercy broken,
Wine of the soul, in mercy shed,
by whom the words of life were spoken,
and in whose death our sins are dead:
look on the heart by sorrow broken,
look on the tears by sinners shed;
and be thy feast to us the token
that by thy grace our souls are fed.*

After Communion, the Presider says

Let us pray.

Postcommunion Prayer *(said by all, standing)*

EOW 70

*Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.*

Blessing Irish Blessing

Budge Walen

May the road rise to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine upon your face
and rains fall softly on your fields.

May the road rise to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
And until we meet again may God hold you,
may God hold you in the palm of his hand.

May the road rise to meet you
And God hold you, hold you,
in the palm of his hand. Amen, Amen, Amen.

Presider And the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost,
be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Closing Hymn: Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken

H522

*1 Glorious things of thee are spoken,
Zion, city of our God;
he whose word cannot be broken
formed thee for his own abode;
on the Rock of Ages founded,
what can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
thou may'st smile at all thy foes.*

*2 See! the streams of living waters,
springing from eternal love,
well supply thy sons and daughters
and all fear of want remove.
Who can faint, when such a river
ever flows their thirst to assuage?
Grace which, like the Lord, the giver,
never fails from age to age.*

*3 Round each habitation hovering,
see the cloud and fire appear
for a glory and a covering,
showing that the Lord is near.
Thus deriving from their banner,
light by night, and shade by day;
safe they feed upon the manna
which he gives them when they pray.*

*4 Blest inhabitants of Zion,
washed in the Redeemer's blood!
Jesus, whom their souls rely on,
makes them kings and priests to God.
'Tis his love his people raises
over self to reign as kings:
and as priests, his solemn praises
each for a thank-offering brings.*

Presider Let us pray.

Good and gracious God, we pray for all who have yet to know of your love and mercy. May the Church of the Ascension be so inspired by your Holy Spirit that it may serve as a beacon of hope and a witness to the gospel for all people. Grant that we may continually grow in our own knowledge and love of you as we strive to use all that we have and all that we are to follow and imitate your beloved son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary: Variations on *Austria*

by Hal Hopson and
Charles Callahan

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Information for live streamed worship.

The service is streamed live each Sunday at 10:30am on The Church of the Ascension Facebook page [facebook.com/pg/ascensionlakewood/videos/](https://www.facebook.com/pg/ascensionlakewood/videos/), and at www.ascension-lakewood.org.

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The Ministers of the Liturgy

Presider: Rev. Vincent Black

Preacher: Michael Crowdes

Organist: Jon Peterson

Soloist: Margie Hildebrandt

Acolyte: Owen Jones

Chalice Bearers: Owen Jones and Brett Schlosser

Spiritual Eucharist Reader: Eleanor Jones

Readers: Eleanor Jones and Brett Schlosser

Ushers: Jeff Sommer

Video and live-streaming: Dave Campion

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**Please keep these people in your prayers
today and all week long:**

Our Spiritual Leaders:

+Michael -our Presiding Bishop; +Mark -our Bishop;
+Bill, and +Arthur -our Assisting Bishops;
+Vincent -our Priest; Leah -our seminarian

Those for whom prayers have been requested:

Sue Alix	Barbara Kutza
Anthony Joseph Barron	Marilyn Little
Marlene Ballard	Doris McQuiston
Teddi Black	June Madden
Jen Black	Nancy Murphy
Carol Culp	Bruce Oppenheimer
Susan Demko	The participants in our community meals
Robert Dibb	Darren Poppen
Dolyn Doyle	Greg Priddy
Jerry Dudley	Jean Priddy
Johnnie Edward	Lou Rogers
Justin Edwards	David Rozell
Don Farrell	Rich Ruscin
Bill Fickinger	Edda Schrank
Dan Filer	Naomi Singer
Ella Jane Fowerbaugh	Bill Smith
Linda Gardner	Melissa Paige Stanich
Martha Hartman	Wendie Stemple
Pat Hendy	Alyssa Stryka
Eric Jackson	Madeline Tammoney
Boots Johnston	Corky Thacker
Lisa Jones	Diane Welfley
Nicole Kindred	

Those We Know in the Military

Jason Hildebrandt
McDowell (Mac) Jones
Sydney Kline

Jason Strater
Brendon

The Departed

Zak McCarney
Terri O'Brien
Eduardo Ponce Otero

Nicholas V. Vroutos
Betty Weber

Noonday prayer

Tuesdays at 12:12pm via conference call

On Tuesdays there will be a conference call enabling you to call in and join Father Vincent and other members of our Ascension community for:

- Noonday Prayer (10 minutes),
- A reflection from Forward Day by Day (5 minutes),
- Time for us to check-in with each other (20 minutes),
- Time to ask questions and exchange information (10 minutes),
- Prayer for the Church of the Ascension.

This will give everyone access to our priest and allow us to continue together in prayer and fellowship.

**We will start prayer promptly at 12:12, and end just before 1pm.
Please do not call in before 12:05pm.**

You can call in for all or part of the time.

Dial-in number: (425) 436-6300

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Use *6 to mute and un-mute yourself when trying to talk.

We will use the Book of Common Prayer pp. 103-107.

Leah will be away for the Summer

Leah is doing clinical pastoral education (CPE) this summer. She will return to Ascension on Tuesday August 31st and plans to resume her Tuesdays in the office that day. Her first day back in worship services will be Sunday September 5th. Please keep her in your prayers.

Pledges and offerings to the Church.

Please mail in your pledges/financial offerings so we can continue with the ministries of the church as well as meet our financial obligations.

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Summer Schedule at Ascension

Community meals continue their regular schedule:
the first Tuesday of the month,
the second Thursday of the month,
and the fourth Monday of the month.

August

- 8/7 Saturday, morning yard clean-up
- 8/13 Friday, 6:30pm Frankfurter Friday on the front lawn
- 8/21 Saturday, 9:00am Ascension Market
- 8/22 fourth Sunday, 9:30am
Outdoor Family/Intergenerational Service
- 8/27 Friday, 6:30pm Frankfurter Friday on the front lawn

Monthly Family Outdoor Service

Because of the wonderful responses from our children and adults alike, we will have an outdoor family service (similar to what we had on Easter) once a month. It will be held on the fourth Sunday of the month at 9:30am. Our next Outdoor Family Service be held on August 22nd. All are invited to attend.

A General Thanksgiving

Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love.

We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.

We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.

We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.

Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know Christ and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. *Amen.*

Church of the Ascension Policies Concerning COVID-19 on and after June 13, 2021

Chalice will be offered beginning June 13th.

No one should receive from the chalice if they are uncomfortable and/or unsafe to do so. We believe in the doctrine of concomitance which means one receives the full benefit of the sacrament whether they receive one or both forms of bread and wine.

We will continue to stand for communion through the end of August when we will reassess.

Outdoor Holy Eucharist will continue at 8am through August 29th. Outdoor Family Service will continue on the 4th Sunday of each month through September 26th.

Masks and social distancing will no longer be required inside the building for those fully vaccinated beginning Sunday July 4th. Anyone who wants to wear a mask for continued protection as well as anyone unvaccinated or who has respiratory issues or concerns is highly encouraged to wear a mask.

We will continue to offer the peace without moving from our places through a bow or gesture rather than through a hug or handshake allowing people to maintain their personal space.

Everyone is expected to continue washing hands thoroughly as well as sanitizing all chairs, handles, switches, and surfaces.

We will sanitize the building by fumigation monthly rather than weekly beginning in July.

Hospitality on Sundays and community meals will continue to be held outside through the end of August. Community meal organizers can then decide what is best for their respective meal beginning in September. Safety policies and cleaning practices will be strictly followed.

Groups may begin serving coffee and other refreshments inside beginning in September strictly following all safety policies and cleaning practices.

Singing will continue to be pre-recorded until the fall when the choir will resume leading singing in worship. All participants are encouraged to sing along with both pre-recorded and live singing. Hymnals and Prayer books will be returned to the pews after the plaster work in the church is completed.

Finance and Vestry will meet in-person in August. There will be no Finance and Vestry meeting in July.

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