



# *Church of the Ascension*

*November 28, 2024*

## *Thanksgiving*

*10:30am*

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*Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 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**

*When the Voluntary begins, please maintain prayerful silence.*

**Voluntary:** Variations on *St. George's Windsor*

Hal Hopkins and Charles Callahan

**Opening Hymn:** **Come, Ye Thankful People, Come**

**H290**

**Tune:** *St. George's Windsor*

*1. Come, ye thankful people, come,  
raise the song of harvest home;  
all is safely gathered in,  
ere the winter storms begin;  
God, our Maker, doth provide  
for our wants to be supplied;  
come to God's own temple, come,  
raise the song of harvest home.*

2. *All the world is God's own field,  
fruit unto his praise to yield;  
wheat and tares together sown,  
unto joy or sorrow grown;  
first the blade, and then the ear,  
then the full corn shall appear;  
grant, O harvest Lord, that we  
wholesome grain and pure may be.*

3. *For the Lord our God shall come,  
and shall take his harvest home;  
from his field shall in that day  
all offenses purge away;  
give his angels charge at last  
in the fire the tares to cast,  
but the fruitful ears to store  
in the garner evermore.*

4. *Even so, Lord, quickly come,  
to thy final harvest home;  
gather thou thy people in,  
free from sorrow, free from sin;  
there, forever purified,  
in thy presence to abide;  
come, with all thine angels come,  
raise the glorious harvest home.*

## Welcome

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

BCP 355

*Presider* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.*

*Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*All glory be to God on high,  
and peace on earth from heaven,  
and God's good will unfailingly  
be to all people given.*

*We bless, we worship you,  
we raise for your great glory  
thanks and praise,  
O God, Almighty Father.*

*O Lamb of God, Lord Jesus Christ,  
whom God the Father gave us,  
who for the world was sacrificed  
up on the cross to save us;  
and, as you sit at God's right hand  
and we for judgement  
there must stand,  
have mercy, Lord, upon us.*

*You only are the Holy One,  
who came for our salvation,  
and only you are God's true Son,  
who was before creation.  
You, only, Christ, as Lord we own,  
and with the Spirit, you alone  
share in the Father's glory.*

### **The Collect for Thanksgiving**

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

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

*Presider* Let us pray.

Almighty and gracious Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need,

to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

*People sit for the reading of the lessons*

**A Reading from Joel**

**2:21-27**

Don't fear, fertile land;  
rejoice and be glad,  
for the Lord is about to do great things!  
Don't be afraid, animals of the field,  
for the meadows of the wilderness will turn green;  
the tree will bear its fruit;  
the fig tree and grapevine will give their full yield.  
Children of Zion,  
rejoice and be glad in the Lord your God,  
because he will give you the early rain as a sign of righteousness;  
he will pour down abundant rain for you,  
the early and the late rain, as before.  
The threshing floors will be full of grain;  
the vats will overflow with new wine and fresh oil.  
I will repay you for the years  
that the cutting locust,  
the swarming locust, the hopping locust, and the devouring locust  
have eaten—  
my great army, which I sent against you.  
You will eat abundantly and be satisfied,  
and you will praise the name of the Lord your God,  
who has done wonders for you;  
and my people will never again be put to shame.  
You will know that I am in the midst of Israel,  
and that I am the Lord your God—no other exists;  
never again will my people be put to shame.

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

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

*Reader* We will stand and sing the psalm.

1. *We were like people in a dream  
When God set Zion free;  
We laughed, we sang, our voices rang  
With shouts of liberty.*
2. *The heathen nations 'round us said,  
“God’s gifts to them are good”;  
Yes, God has done great things for us,  
We praise God as we should.*
3. *Restore our fortunes now, O Lord,  
Like Negev’s waterways,  
And grant that those who sow in tears  
May reap with hymns of praise.*
4. *Let those who weep as they go out  
And take with them the seed  
Come back in joy with harvest sheaves  
Fulfilling all their need.*

**A Reading from First Timothy**

**2:1-7**

First of all, then, I ask that requests, prayers, petitions, and thanksgiving be made for all people. Pray for kings and everyone who is in authority so that we can live a quiet and peaceful life in complete godliness and dignity. This is right and it pleases God our savior, who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. There is one God and one mediator between God and humanity, the human Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a payment to set all people free. This was a testimony that was given at the right time. I was appointed to be a preacher and apostle of this testimony—I’m telling the truth and I’m not lying! I’m a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

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

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

*The people stand*

*1 Now thank we all our God,  
with heart, and hands, and voices,  
who wondrous things hath done,  
in whom his world rejoices;  
who from our mother's arms  
hath blessed us on our way  
with countless gifts of love,  
and still is ours today.*

*2 O may this bounteous God  
through all our life be near us!  
with ever-joyful hearts  
and blessed peace to cheer us;  
and keep us in his grace,  
and guide us when perplexed,  
and free us from all ills  
in this world and the next.*

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

**6:25-33**

*People* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said, “Therefore, I say to you, don’t worry about your life, what you’ll eat or what you’ll drink, or about your body, what you’ll wear. Isn’t life more than food and the body more than clothes? Look at the birds in the sky. They don’t sow seed or harvest grain or gather crops into barns. Yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Aren’t you worth much more than they are? Who among you by worrying can add a single moment to your life? And why do you worry about clothes? Notice how the lilies in the field grow. They don’t wear themselves out with work, and they don’t spin cloth. But I say to you that even Solomon in all of his splendor wasn’t dressed like one of these. If God dresses grass in the field so beautifully, even though it’s alive today and tomorrow it’s thrown into the furnace, won’t God do much more for you, you people of weak



faith? Therefore, don't worry and say, 'What are we going to eat?' or 'What are we going to drink?' or 'What are we going to wear?' Gentiles long for all these things. Your heavenly Father knows that you need them. Instead, desire first and foremost God's kingdom and God's righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

*Presider* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Hymn**                      **Now Thank We All Our God**                      **H397 vs 3**  
**Tune: *Nun danket alle Gott***

*3 All praise and thanks to God  
the Father now be given,  
the Son, and him who reigns  
with them in highest heaven,  
eternal, Triune God,  
whom earth and heaven adore;  
for thus it was, is now,  
and shall be, evermore.*

*The people sit*

**The Sermon**

*Rev. Vincent Black*

*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:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
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 and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He 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

Hymn      For the Beauty of the Earth

H416  
to Tune: *Dix* (H119)

*1 For the beauty of the earth,  
for the beauty of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth  
over and around us lies.*

*[Refrain:]*

*Christ our God, to thee we raise  
this our hymn of grateful praise.*

*2 For the beauty of each hour  
of the day and of the night,  
hill and vale, and tree and flower,  
sun and moon and stars of light, (Refrain)*

*4 For the joy of human love,  
brother, sister, parent, child,  
friends on earth, and friends above,  
for all gentle thoughts and mild, (Refrain)*

*5 For the Church which evermore  
lifteth holy hands above,  
offering up on every shore  
thy pure sacrifice of love, (Refrain)*

*Amen*

## The Confession of Sin

BCP 360

*The Presider says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Presider and People*

*Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,*

*by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.*

*The Priest, stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of 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 the Lord 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.*

## **The Announcements**

*The presider asks visitors to fill out the information at the bottom of page 2, then highlights the announcements.*

# **The Holy Communion**

## **The Offertory Sentence**

**Offertory: We Gather Together**

**H433**

**Tune: Kremser**

*1 We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;  
he chastens and hastens his will to make known;  
the wicked oppressing now cease from distressing;  
sing praises to his Name; he forgets not his own.*

*2 Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,  
ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine;  
so from the beginning the fight we were winning;  
thou, Lord, wast at our side: all glory be thine!*

*3 We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant,  
and pray that thou still our defender wilt be.  
Let thy congregation escape tribulation:  
thy Name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!*

*All stand*

### **The Presentation of God's Tithes and Offerings**

*The gifts of the people are presented at this time  
as the congregation sings.*

**Presentation Music:      Surely the Presence                      Lanny Wolfe**

*Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;  
I can feel his mighty power and his grace.  
I can hear the brush of angel's wings,  
I see glory on each face;  
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.*

*The people remain standing*

**The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer D                      BCP 372**

*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 him thanks and praise.***

*The Presider proceeds*

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing

## **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*

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for

those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

*Presider and People (spoken)*

***We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.***

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with Mary, the mother of Jesus, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the

saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, 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**

**S155**

***Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us,  
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.***



*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.*

*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 Hymn: All are Welcome**

**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.*

**Postcommunion Hymn: God be in My Head**

**H694**

**Tune: Lytlington**

*God be in my head, and in my understanding;  
God be in mine eyes, and in my looking;  
God be in my mouth, and in my speaking;  
God be in my heart, and in my thinking;  
God be at mine end, and at my departing.*

*After Communion, the Presider says*

Let us pray.

**Postcommunion Prayer** *(said by all, standing)*

**BCP 366**

*Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.*

**Blessing**

**Closing Hymn: God of Our Fathers**

**H718**

**Tune: National Hymn**

*1 God of our fathers, whose almighty hand  
leads forth in beauty all the starry band  
of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,  
our grateful songs before thy throne arise.*

*2 Thy love divine hath led us in the past,  
in this free land by thee our lot is cast;  
be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay,  
thy word our law, thy paths our chosen way.*

*3 From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence,  
be thy strong arm our ever sure defense;  
thy true religion in our hearts increase,  
thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.*

*4 Refresh thy people on their toilsome way,  
lead us from night to never-ending day;  
fill all our lives with love and grace divine,  
and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.*

*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**

*Presider*                      Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People*                        *Thanks be to God.*

**Voluntary:** Recessional on *National Hymn*

Hal H. Hopson

†                      †                      †

### **Thanksgiving Meal**

*Following the service,  
we will serve a thanksgiving meal.  
All are welcome free of charge!*



## **The Ministers of the Liturgy**

Presider: Rev. Vincent Black

Music Director and Organist: Jon Peterson

Choir Director: Margie Hildebrandt

Acolytes: Derek Lewallen and Terrie Schade

Readers: John Carlson and Ann Pesta

Spiritual Communion Reader: John Carlson

Chalice Bearers: Derek Lewallen and Terrie Schade

Ushers: Ray Pratt and Joe Sgambellone

Videographer: Dave Campion



Bible readings from the Common English Bible (CEB)  
A New Metrical Psalter, Revised Common Lectionary Edition

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## **Advent Church Cleanup** **Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 9am to 11am**

We are preparing the nave/church for the holiday season. We need to vacuum, mop floors, and wipe down pews. Please sign-up and help us prepare the church for the beauty of Advent and Christmas.

### **Cookie Walk**

Would you like to bake in a group? Do you need more countertop to make all the fabulous cookies and your kitchen is too small?

We will be at Church of the Ascension on Sunday **December 8<sup>th</sup> from 1pm – 3pm** to bake in our industrial kitchen! Let Jenny or Christina know if you would like to come in to bake.

The cookie walk will be on **Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024, from 9am – 2pm** or until sold out.

We will have tables set up in Strom Hall on Friday night with table clothes and plates. We will need set up volunteers for the morning of the cookie walk – should arrive at 8:30am. Volunteers will also be needed to help customers get their cookies. We will have gloves for those people giving out cookies to use. We will have bags or boxes for the customers to use. Scales will be available to check quantity and to weigh out at the end of their purchase in two locations.

We will also have wonderful centerpieces made by our very own parishioners.

We will accept payment with cash or credit card.

Please consider baking – the more cookies we have to sell the more we will raise for the Church of the Ascension.

Not a baker? We need help on the actual day of the sale – setting up, helping customers choose their cookies, check out/collect payment and clean up.

We will be setting up on Friday evening (12/9 at 6pm) and Saturday morning (12/10 at 7:30am or potentially later). The more we get done on Friday the less we need to get done Saturday.

We will need help cleaning up after the event around 2pm.

## **Jesse Tree Service**

The Jesse Tree service will be at 10:30am on  
**Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>.**

## **Carols and Cocoa**

On **Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 5pm**, we will have outdoor  
caroling and cocoa on the front lawn.  
Please invite family and friends!

## **Christmas Lessons and Carols**

On **Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> at 4pm**, we will have our  
service of Christmas Lessons and Carols, followed by a  
Christmas feast. Please sign up in the office.

There will be no 8am service on **December 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>.**

## **Christmas Day Service**

10:30 am **Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>.**

## **Ascension Event Schedule for 2024**

Sun	December 1 <sup>st</sup>	Jesse Tree Service	10:30 am
Sat	December 14 <sup>th</sup>	Cookie Walk	9:00 am – 2:00 pm
Sun	December 15 <sup>th</sup>	Carols and Cocoa	5:00 pm
Sun	December 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Fourth Sunday of Advent	10:30 am
Sun	December 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Lessons and Carols with Holy Communion	4:00 pm
Sun	December 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Christmas Dinner	6:00 pm
Wed	December 25 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Eucharist	10:30 am
Sun	December 29 <sup>th</sup>	Favorite Carol Sing	10:30 am

## **Collecting Clothes for St. Luke's Episcopal Church**

Box is outside the office.

Please only clean and lightly worn clothing.  
Highly needed are seasonal men's and children's items.

### **Noonday prayer**

**Tuesdays at 12:12pm via conference call**

**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

Access code: 593523#

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

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

### **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://facebook.com/pg/ascensionlakewood/videos/),  
and at [www.ascension-lakewood.org](http://www.ascension-lakewood.org).

### **Office Hours**

Office Hours are: 9am – 1:30pm, Tuesday - Thursday

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