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A PUBLICATION OF ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH

MISSION—"As an open and progressive congregation, we boldly make Christ's vision known."

### **Faith**

A living, daring confidence in God's grace.

When Lutherans talk about faith, we are talking about the relationship God's Holy Spirit creates with us. It's a relationship where God's promise of steadfast love and mercy in Jesus opens us to a life of bold trust in God and joyful, generous service to everyone we know and meet in daily life.

Martin Luther was exuberant when he described the freedom of "a living, daring confidence in God's grace, so sure and certain that believers would stake their lives on it a thousand times." He once wrote, "Oh, it is a living, busy, active, mighty thing, this faith. It is impossible for it not to be doing good things unceasingly."

Faith convictions expressed as statements of belief flow from this confident trust in God. ELCA Lutherans share in the faith expressed in the Apostles', Nicene and Athanasian Creeds, in the Lutheran confessional writings (collected as the Book of Concord), and in the ELCA Confession of Faith.

At the same time faith does not close our minds to the world and our hearts to others. We continue to listen to the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments. We listen to the witness of others and we watch for the ways God is active in the world around us. Faith opens a place for engaging others in conversation, for seeking the truth, for asking questions and speaking love in word and deed.

Faith is a full life, liberated for a living, daring confidence in God's grace.



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### **Transition**

On May 12, we celebrated the Ascension of our Lord. In worship, we were reminded of how Jesus blessed his disciples and while blessing them, he ascended into the heavens.

The disciples had been through quite a few transitions in the three years they followed Jesus, but it had intensified. Just 40 or so days prior, we celebrated Good Friday and the death of Jesus. That was

a transition. Then the announcement and reality that Jesus had risen. Another transition. disciples were The afraid, and they locked themselves in a roomanother transition. Then Jesus appeared again to them, continued to teach them, and now. we are with here another transition as Jesus ascends into heaven.

Ascension Day is a transition and as Ascension Lutheran Church, we know about transitions. In the sixty years of ministry in this place, our building has transitioned. Pastors have come and gone. Membership has had ebbs and flows with birth, death and people who have moved. In the last year, it seemed like every day was a new transition to deal with.

The book of Acts, the writings of that early church, recounts the Ascension of Jesus. As Jesus is rising into heaven the disciples are gazing up. Two men in white robes appear and say, "Men of Galilee, why do you standing looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Transitions are taking place, and we are not called to stand and gaze into heaven. Transitions also dispense power for the new-a new generation, transformation. Jesus' ascension does not mean that Jesus is absent from the church; as the risen Lord, he provides us with the Holy Spirit. This Spirit of Christ will transform us from passive spectators, gazing and wondering about the fulfillment of hope to

active witnesses Jesus on a global scale. The disciples will be from moved their geographic boundaries Christ will spread to the ends of the earth. It is transition that begins and sustains the church, until that day when all is fulfilled.

Sixty years ago, members of this community determined that this area needed a place to help spread the message of Christ in the place. We have Rita Hendrickson, Parish Nurse seen many transitions in our congregation Jesus calls us to and in our world. continue to engage in the world, with the guidance and empowerment of the Holy Spirit until the Parousia, the second coming happens. Throughout history, the church has responded to the needs of the community and world. When we look at the issues our world and community experience, we as the body of Christ are called to engage in Jesus name, to respond reflecting Jesus' teaching in the reign of God.

Pastor Julie

Pastor Julie Bailey

### PHOBSER -"He's using the devotional we gave him for Father's Day."

### Back To School Fair Meeting

June 1, 2021

6:30 p.m.—Pavilion (Fellowship Hall if inclement weather)

Join Us to Plan the Event

### STAFF

Julie Bailey, Pastor Jennifer Salowitz, Musician Lisa Whelton, Parish Administrator Dawn Dalton, Custodian Ruth Schomaker, Custodian

### **EXECUTIVE BOARD**

Gus Hendrickson, President Melissa Albosta, Vice President Connie Dutcher, Treasurer Dawn Earnesty, Secretary and the Word of Jesus Judi Minster, Financial Secretary

### **MINISTRIES**

Glen Mack, Congregational Care Mike Clifford, Finance/Resources Karen DeLaRosa, Outreach Lynda Goward, Spiritual Health

### WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday's 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Wednesday's 7:00 p.m.

Online Worship continues on Facebook at 8:00 a.m. and is recorded for participation at later times if necessary (see page 3)

### CONTACT INFORMATION

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(Group Name: Ascension Lutheran Church of Saginaw (ELCA) Group)

YouTube: Ascension Lutheran Church

### WEEKLY ONLINE WORSHIP

Worship will continue to be live on Facebook at 8 a.m. on Sundays for those who are unable or do not feel comfortable returning to in-person worship. Our Group is called "Ascension Lutheran Church of Saginaw (ELCA) Group". Worship will be recorded and posted on our Facebook page following the service. The 10:30 a.m. service will also be recorded (not live) and posted on our Website (www.ascensionlc.org) and our YouTube Channel (named Ascension Lutheran Church), this will be available later than the Facebook recording.

**BULLETINS**—If you would like to follow along while participating online with a worship bulletin, they are on our website, in the "Worship with Ascension" section.

### Tuesday Morning Bible Study—11 a.m.—via Zoom

You are invited to join us for our Tuesday morning Bible study that is currently meeting on Zoom. We meet at 11 a.m. and are reading the Gospel of John. If you are interested in attending please call or send an email to Pastor Julie at pr\_julie@sbcglobal.net.





### June 6, 2021

We will celebrate our graduates from High School and College on June 6th.

We will enjoy pictures, where they are graduating from, and their plans for the next step of the journey. Let's join in together to acknowledge and applaud this important benchmark in their lives!

Lisa will be on vacation the week of June 21st. The office hours may vary that week, but the office will not be closed. Please call ahead to verify that someone is available to meet your office needs.



### SOUND AND VIDEO OPERATORS

Please plan on attending a quick meeting following either the 8:00 a.m. or the 10:30 a.m. services on June 13th. There will be important updated information regarding our system and how we will proceed going forward. If you would like to volunteer for Sound or Video, please plan on attending this meeting for training. If you are unavailable this Sunday, please contact Bob Aldrich directly for the updates and/or training.

### Please Remember Those on Ascension's Care List

Mail a card, plan a visit, or say a prayer for these members of our church family.

Leslee Arnst - 2815 N. Orr Rd., Hemlock, MI 48626

Delila Colpean - 302 Fulton Street, Room 104, St. Charles, MI 48655

Jack Colpean - 302 Fulton Street, St. Charles, MI 48655

Bev Daubert - Meridian Acres, 2905 Meridian Road, Sanford, MI 48657

Eric Lentner—244 Elwyn Dr. Room 201, Chesaning, MI 48616 Peggy Lockhart - 6143 Longmeadow Blvd. North, Saginaw, MI 48603

Helen Nothelfer - 302 Fulton Street, St. Charles, MI 48655

Heidi Osterloh - 9345 Geddes Road, Saginaw, MI 48609

Marv Yancer - 8936 N. Brookshire Drive, Saginaw, MI 48609





Jack Colpean Birthdays

1st Jack Colpean
2nd Brooke Phillion
3rd Joyce Berg
Ali Denman
Jack Fleissner
5th Mike Romosier

6th Savannah Maddox

7th Donna Frollo Sherry Stuller

8th Tom Erskine Alana Fleming 9th Michael Gottlieb

10th Thomas Stoddard 11th Larry Nuechterlein

Josh Mack 12th Wanda Dankert Ellie Dunn

Angelica Espinoza

13th Spence Webb Sally York

14th Liam Fleming Sarah Wortley

17th A.J. Denman 20th Owen Edsall Landen Wagner

21st Rob Joslyn Kate Naples Julie Stoltow

Vicki Wenzel

22nd Katiana Milbrandt Carol Wilson

23rd Kelly Phillion John Stroebel

25th Nathan Earnesty David Faerber Jessica McRae

Jackie O'Dell 28th Wendy Awad Alec Preston Garrett Preston

Sabrina Wagner
30th Deborah Harrington

Jeff Whelton Marv Yancer

### Welcome to our newest member, Marie Catterfeld received by transfer on May 18, 2021.





Felicity Willa Potter, received by baptism on May 2nd. Felicity is the daughter of Ira and Charlene Potter, and her sponsors are Nathan Gottlieb and Katica Toth.



Thank you to Jim and Marie Stuart who attended the 2021 Synod Assembly of the North/West Lower Michigan Synod. This year's event was on Zoom, and required some learning and patience in voting. The assembly adopted two resolutions relating to care of the creation and elected members to serve on a variety of committees. Pastor Julie was

elected to serve a six-year term on the Disciplinary Committee.

### Thank you to all who helped with Spring Cleanup—it looks great.

### **Food Pantry Schedule**

June 10th August 12th October 14th December 9th



If you have any questions about the food pantry schedule, needs or volunteer information, please feel free to contact Sandy Graham at 989-781-1619

### 2021 Altar Flowers

Altar Flowers for 2021 are needed. If you would like to purchase flowers, please sign up on the flower chart located on the Acolyte room, call the office, or send an email to ascensionlc@sbcglobal.net to select a date. You can choose a specific date and 2 arrangements are permitted each week. These arrangements are placed in the Sanctuary each week for worship and may be picked up after service on Sunday morning. The cost is \$30.00. A payment envelope can be mailed to you, you can send a check to the office, or drop off payment during office hours (Monday-Thursdays 9am-2pm), or when you are at church.

June 6th	Flowers Needed
June 13th	Flowers Needed
June 20th	given by Nancy Armstrong, honoring the marriage of John & Ali Gosen and birthdays of John Berkeypile & Chris Latty (40)
June 27th	given in memory of Margie Fruk

### Anniversaries

2nd Jon and Alicia Leffler Craig and Joan Ford 6th Thomas and Rae Stoddard James and Chervl Andrus 11th Tim and Carol Wilson 13th 14th James and Donna Hayes 19th Rick and Nikki Herren 20th Eric and Dori Dalton Anthony and Kate Naples 21st Tom and Sue Bailey 27th



### JUNE Spotlight! Fellowship Hall & Pavilion Rentals

Each month we spotlight a ministry in the church to educate the membership and to hopefully inspire members and youth to find an interest they can participate in.

This month's spotlight is a little different. It isn't a ministry, per se, but it does aid in ministries throughout our congregation by having locations to gather for fellowship.



Our Fellowship Hall and Pavilion include full kitchens and bathroom facilities. The hall includes 2 stoves/ovens, 2 refrigerators/freezers, microwave, large sinks, serving window, and is stocked with silverware, utensils, bowls, hot pads, pans, and lots of prep area. The Pavilion is also well stocked and includes a full kitchen with

refrigerator/freezer, microwave, stove/ oven, sink, serving window, and plenty of prep area.

Our Fellowship Hall

We use our fellowship hall for just a

that, gathering with each other. The hall is used for council and committee meetings, Sunday school, confirmation classes, sewing group activities, health committee activities such as flu shot clinics, blood drives, and classes, Soup Suppers during lent, youth events such as egg hunt/drop, chili cook-off, lock-ins, and celebratory events of the church.



### **Our Pavilion**



The pavilion gives us a place to gather outside enjoying the beautiful weather, while still having cover. It is used for worship, outdoor summer youth nights, Sunday school, vacation bible school, soccer camp, back to school fair, church picnics, blessing of the pets, garage sale and celebratory events of the church.

In addition to use by the various ministries in our congregation, the Fellowship Hall and Pavilion are available to church members for rental. Members have rented for family reunions, Christmas parties, graduation parties, baby and bridal showers, retirement parties, and wedding receptions; just to name a few.

To rent either facility, please contact the church office. The cost for up to 5 hours of use is a \$75 donation and \$125 for over 5 hours. A refundable security deposit of \$100 must be received. Requests for rental should be made at least one month prior to the event for ease in scheduling. Requests for the current year are first come first served and can begin the first business day of the calendar year.





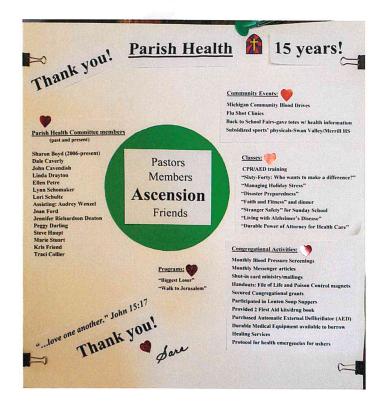


### Thank You For Your Service Bob and Sara





Bob and Sara were presented with plaques thanking them for their years of service on May 23, 2021. Bob was the Christian Education Director and his "kids" gathered to remember him. Sara was the Parish Nurse and presented a visual of the many contributions to the health of our church, its members, and the community. Both Bob and Sara will continue to give their time and talents by following their next callings.







### August 12, 2021 6:00 p.m.—7:30 p.m.

Due to the current restrictions we will be distributing school supplies/backpacks, new socks/underwear, and clothing. Volunteers will be needed and a sign-up sheet will be available soon. We will need some help with directing traffic, distribution and set up.

Drop your donations off at the church Monday through Thursday between 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., or before or after worship.



### **GENTLY USED CHILDREN'S CLOTHING NEEDED**

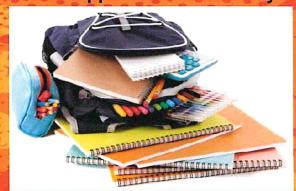
Time to start cleaning out your closets and weeding out unwanted and outgrown clothing. Please make sure it is clean and in good repair; clothing should not have stains or holes. *Boys/Girls K-12 sizes needed.* We're also looking for large boxes. Please contact Kris Friend at 989-245-6446 if you have any questions or are interested in helping to sort the clothing.

### **School Supplies Needed**

Pencils – 273 packages of 12 Pens – 148 packages of 12 Erasers – 273 packages (either 2 big or 3 small) Highlighters – 199 packages of 2 Pencil Pouch – 292 Scissors – 138

If you have any questions about School Supplies, please contact Sue Bailey at 989-233-3166.

### All School Supplies Are Needed By 7-2-21



### COLLECTING NEW SOCKS AND UNDERWEAR

The following sizes and pairs are needed.

Underwear				
Women's	Pairs Needed (not packages)	Men's	Pairs Needed (not packages)	
Size 7	33	Size Small	3	
Size 8	9	Size XL	6	
Size 9	18	Size 2X	9	
Size 10 & up	12			

If you have any questions regarding socks or underwear, please contact:

Chris Crump 989-284-0370 or Nicki Crump 989-751-8633



Socks				
Girl's	Pairs Needed (not packages)	Boy's (prefer black)	Pairs Needed (not packages)	
Size 3-8	9	Size 4.5-8.5	45	
Size 6-10.5	15	Size 11-4	60	
Size 10.5-4	36	Size 3-9	21	
Women (no tall socks)	48	Size 9-2.5	18	

### **YOUTH EVENTS**

**High School and Middle School Youth Activities** 

Wednesday Youth Nights will begin on June 16th following Wednesday night worship. We will begin after worship at about 7:45 p.m. and go until about 10 p.m. We will play games, chat, crafts, eat, and just hang out. All Middle and High School youth are welcome and friends are encouraged.



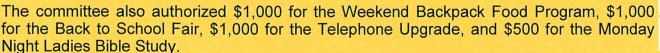
Pastor Julie will need at least one parent to agree to stay with her each evening, so let me know what Wednesday you can hang out!

Elementary Youth Field Night—June 22nd

All elementary youth and parents are invited to a field night at Ascension on Tuesday, June 22nd beginning at 6:30 p.m. We will offer kickball, gaga ball, s'mores, and fun. Parents can join in the games, or enjoy talking to one another. We will plan on ending around 8:30 p.m. with campfire and s'mores.

### ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH ENDOWMENT FUND

The Endowment Fund Committee approved \$500 scholarships to Josh Crump, Max Dawson, and Hannah Webb.





### amazonsmile

Do you shop with Amazon? If so, go to smile.amazon.com and register Ascension Lutheran Church in Saginaw as your charity to support. When you order through this site, all orders eligible will benefit Ascension at 0.05% of what you paid. You don't pay anymore!!! It may not seem like much, but for the number of us that do use Amazon, it can really add up!

### POP CANS

We are continuing to collect returnable pop cans and bottles. You can drop your cans off in the vestibule near the Fellowship Hall. Thank you for your support!!



### SCRIP ORDERS—Due the 3rd Sunday of the Month

If you are planning on purchasing any gift cards, please consider purchasing them through our SCRIP program. Each time you order, a percentage of what you purchase is deposited into an account at Ascension and it doesn't cost you any more than face value. Order forms are available on our website or by calling the church office. A form can be emailed to you. Orders for this month must be submitted by **Sunday**, **June 20th**. Please contact Pastor Julie with questions.

**Our Website** 



Our YouTube



Our Facebook





### What you need:

- Baking sheet
- Parchment paper
- 1 cup plain Greek yogurt
- 2 Tbsp. honey
- ¼ cup granola or cereal

### What you do:

- 1. On a baking sheet covered with parchment paper, spread yogurt in a thin layer, about ½-inch thick.
- 2. Drizzle honey evenly over yogurt. Sprinkle granola (or cereal) on top.
- 3. Freeze about 30 minutes, or until firm.
- 4. Crack frozen yogurt into pieces and peel away paper. Enjoy!

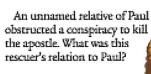
Wish Your Dad a Happy Father's Day on June 20th



## CHILDREN'S FICTIVITY

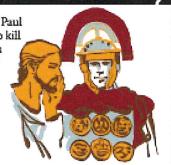
Pull Out Your Bibles and Go To Acts 23:12-22 (esp verse 16)

For This Bible Quiz



**Bible Quiz** 

- A. nephew
- B. niece
- C. brother
- D. sister





### As sweet as honey



Honey is both a sweetener and a medicine. How can our words be used in the same ways?



Directions: Use the hexagon key to fill in the missing vowels and complete Proverbs 16:24, NIV.



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PROVERBS 16:24, NIV

### Serving in June

### Readers--8:00 a.m./10:30 a.m.

- 6 Edna Bell/Karen DeLaRosa
- 13 Larry Nuechterlein/John Whelton
- 20 Joan Ford/Shelly Dawson
- 27 Susan Kelley/Linda Luplow

### Sound Board Operators--8:00 a.m./10:30 a.m.

- 6 Volunteer Needed/Makena Whelton
- 13 Dan Roth/Makena Whelton
- 20 Madison Morgan/Bob Aldrich
- 27 Volunteer Needed/Volunteer Needed

### Head Ushers--8:00 a.m./10:30 a.m.

- 6 Roth/Hendrickson-Earnesty
- 13 Wilson / Huston-Dawson
- 20 Kelley/Friend-Beyerlein
- 27 Schomaker/Dalton-Whelton

### Altar Guild

- 6 Kris Friend
- 13 Susan Kelley
- 20 Carol Wilson
- 27 Carol Wilson

### Prayers of the Church--8:00 a.m./10:30 a.m.

- 6 Ruth Schomaker/Karen DeLaRosa
- 13 Charleen Boland/Lisa Espinoza
- 20 Lynn Schomaker/Shelly Dawson
- 27 Ruth Schomaker/Lisa Espinoza

### Video Screen Operators--8:00 a.m./10:30 a.m.

- 6 Kris Friend/Ben Salowitz
- 13 Melissa Albosta/Tim Grueber
- 20 Mackenzie Morgan/Tim Grueber
- 27 Melissa Albosta/Tim Grueber

### Acolyte-8:00 a.m. / 10:30 a.m.

- 6 Volunteer Needed/Ethan Earnesty
- 13 Volunteer Needed/Ethan Earnesty
- 20 Volunteer Needed/Greyston Hendrickson
- 27 Volunteers Needed

### Lawn Mowers/Weeds & Edging

- 6 Chris Howe & Scott Blehm
- 13 Dan Roth & Jeff Whelton
- 20 Roger Koppenhofer & Ron Fries
- 27 Ben Crump & Tim Wilson/Marv Lentner

### **WEDNESDAYS**

# Head Ushers 2 Glen Mack 9 Mike Clifford 16 Glen Mack 23 Mike Clifford 23 Mike Clifford 30 Glen Mack 30 Joyce Richardson 30 Joyce Richardson

Sound Board/Video Screen

2 None /Connie Dutcher

2 Donna Malburg

9 None /Glen Mack

16 None /Connie Dutcher

23 None /Glen Mack

30 None /Connie Dutcher

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Thank you to everyone who participates in these important ministries. If you are unable to serve on your assigned day, please let the Church Office know who will be filling in for you.

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If you plan to meet for one of our Ministries in the church, please let the church office know.



	NM44				
Sat	5	12	19	26 Memorial Service & Pavilion Rental	The we're all God's children, just think of all the cards he gets on Father's Day.
Fri	4 Office Closed	11 Office Closed	18 Office Closed	25 Office Closed	The we're all God's chill the cards he gets.
Thu	3 4pm-Confirmation via Zoom	10 Food Pantry 4pm-Confirmation via Zoom	17 4pm-Confirmation via Zoom	24 4pm-Confirmation via Zoom	
Wed	2 7pm-Worship/Communion w/ Baptism	9 12pm-Council Reports Due 7pm-Worship/Communion	16 7pm-Worship/Communion 7:45pm-10pm—Youth Night	23 7pm-Worship/Communion 7:45pm-10pm—Youth Night	30 7pm-Worship/Communion 7:45pm-10pm—Youth Night
Lue	I 11am-Bible Study via Zoom 6:30pm—Back To School Fair Meeting-Pavilion/FH	8 11am-Bible Study via Zoom	15 11am-Bible Study via Zoom 6:30pm-Council Mtg-FH	22 11am-Bible Study via Zoom 6:30pm-8:30pm-Elementary Field Night	29 11am-Bible Study via Zoom
Mon		7 12pm-Staff Meeting	14 12pm-Staff Meeting	21 12pm-Staff Meeting 12pm-Messenger Deadline Lisa's Vacation	28 12pm-Staff Meeting
Sun		6 Graduation Sunday 8am-Worship/Communion 10:30am-Worship/Communion	13 8am-Worship/Communion 8:45am-Sound & Video Training 10:30am-Worship/Communion 11:15am-Sound & Video Training	20 Script Orders Due 8am-Worship/Communion 10:30am-Worship/Communion TATHERS	27 8am-Worship/Communion 10:30am-Worship/Communion 12p-5p-Pavilion Rental

Praver Chain requests should be called to Barb Van Marter at 989-781-7803.

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