

ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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WELCOME VISITORS! Please fill out a blue welcome card and drop it in the offering plate so that we may further assist you.

We're glad you chose to worship with us today and we are happy to provide you with information about our congregation.

Helpful information:

- Participate as you are willing and able.
- Bold print and portions marked with a "C" are the congregation's part.
- Ascension is equipped with a "Hearing Loop." If your hearing aid has a "t-coil," you can turn it on and hear the service through your hearing aid.
- For children 5 years and younger, a nursery is available where parents and guardians may supervise them. Parents and children may also enjoy the basket of children's books in the narthex (space outside of the sanctuary), where they can still see the worship service.

Adult Forum: The Cure

What If God Isn't Who You Think He Is and Neither Are You?

Please join us for a **seven-week series based on the book, "The Cure"** by John Lynch, Bruce McNicol, and Bill Thrall. We will take orders for those who choose to order it from Trueface.org as well as give you information on how you can order a Kindle copy. Used copies can also be ordered on eBay. Grab a cup of coffee and **join us at 9 a.m. Sunday mornings.**

Next "Prayer, Music, and Candles" Is Oct. 6

Are you looking for a quiet place to catch your breath in a world that is often moving too quickly? Do you long for a time to rest in God's presence? Join us on **Saturday, October 6 at 7 pm** for the prayer service, "Prayer, Music, and Candles." This monthly service is a special time set aside to pray and be in God's presence with others. The music is simple and stirring. Participants may light candles as signs of their prayers. All are invited to take part in the service as they are able and willing. Come and see! Services are held on the first Saturday of every month through May. Please see the schedule posted on the bulletin board.

Teen Sunday Morning Breakfast Club

Interested in food? Fun? Friendships? If that sounds like a great idea, why not start your week off with your teen friends from Ascension? If there are enough teens interested in starting a Sunday morning "Breakfast Club" during the Sunday School hour (9:00-10:00) then it will happen. You would meet at church and go by car to a nearby restaurant for breakfast, drinks, etc. and a great time together talking about whatever you're thinking about that day. To make this happen we will also need **ADULT VOLUNTEERS** to share an hour of their time with our young people. If you are interested, please sign up on the narthex bulletin board. Oh yes, and friends are always welcome!

Sunday School Volunteers Needed

Sunday School has resumed and preparations have begun for another year of learning about God's love for us. Each year our program features workshops in three-week segments that focus on a specific Bible story. We use crafts, science discovery, drama, and cooking to bring the stories to life. It takes many volunteers to make this program a success, but the commitment for each volunteer is small. The activities and student conversations are all scripted, the supplies are provided, and the workshop leaders' preparation is only to read through the lesson and set aside a three-week time slot on their calendar. With 12 volunteers for the year, each volunteer would only be committed to teaching three times during the nine-month Sunday School year. Prayerfully consider sharing your time and your faith with our youth and **sign up on the sheet provided on the narthex bulletin board.** No previous teaching experience is needed—just a love for the Lord.

Help Needed for NEEDS

- 1) Please consider dropping off donations to the NEEDS pantry. The pantry is at Kenwood Baptist Church, only a few minutes away. Sign ups for September, October, and November are here: <https://tinyurl.com/HTNEEDSFall2018>
- 2) A backup board member is needed for when our primary member is unavailable (or you can attend as well). Meetings are once a month at 7pm at Kenwood Baptist. Expected to be needed 0-2 times per year. See Stacey Schutte if interested.

Request re: Used Battery Drop-Offs

Thank you for continuing to bring in batteries to be recycled. Please **do not** put the batteries in plastic bags into the bucket.

Scripture Readings

For this week, beginning Sept. 17:

M	1 Kings 13:1-10 Romans 3:9-20 Psalm 119:169-176
T	1 Kings 13:11-25 Colossians 3:1-11 Psalm 119:169-176
W	Isaiah 10:12-20 John 7:25-36 Psalm 119:169-176
Th	Judges 6:1-10 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 Psalm 54
F	1 Kings 22:24-40 Romans 11:25-32 Psalm 54
S	2 Kings 17:5-18 Matthew 23:29-39 Psalm 54
Su	Jeremiah 11:18-20 Psalm 54 James 3:13—4:3, 7-8a Mark 9:30-37



Wheel of Friendship N.E.E.D.S for September: Cereal



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LWR Personal Care Kit Donations Needed

It's time again for our collection of Personal Care Kits to assist the ministry of Lutheran World Relief. Your donation will help us achieve **our goal of exceeding 100 kits**. Kits should include: a **lightweight** bath towel, tooth brush, 2-3 bars of soap, toenail clippers, and a large-toothed comb, all of which should be wrapped in the towel. **Our deadline to collect the kits is Sun., September 30. Please see pg. 4 of your July Ascension newsletter for more specific instructions.**

Office Hours :
Monday-Friday 8:30-12:30

Activities This Week:

TUESDAY, September 18
Evangelism Committee
6:00 pm

Church Council
7:00 pm

THURSDAY, September 20
Bell Choir Rehearsal
5:45 pm

Chancel Choir Rehearsal
7:00 pm

SUNDAY, September 23
Worship
8:00 am
10:15 am

Sunday School, Confirmation,
Adult Forum
9:00 am
Harps of Faith
11:30 am

Women's Retreat at Jesuit Spiritual Center September 21 –22

Let's re-set our outlook on life! Our September 21-22 women's retreat is around the corner, and this is the perfect opportunity. This retreat, entitled **Creation – God's Manifestation of Love**, is happening in a season which allows walking the beautiful grounds and labyrinth, and experiencing the natural beauty of God's Creation. Moreover, **Fr. John Quigley and Rev. Lisa Bernheisel** are presenting a beautiful ecumenical retreat about this subject in a way that helps us to appreciate more deeply who we are in this vast universe. We women need "time out" and this retreat is it. To register, visit our website at <https://jesuitspiritualcenter.com/retreats/ignatian-retreats/september-21-22-2018/> or call 513-248-3500 ext. 10. We hope to hear from you soon!

Donations

FIRST LUTHERAN COLLECTIONS

Pants, jeans, sweaters, sweatshirts, underwear, and socks, for both men and women; towels, wash cloths, and deodorant. **(Please send only these items as storage is a problem.)**

EMPTY PILL BOTTLES

Matthew 25 Ministries needs empty pill bottles. The pill bottles are being sent to developing nations to help distribute medications. The ministry is grateful to us for this assistance and welcomes continuing contributions.

POP TABS

Please put your pop tabs in the basket in the Wheel of Friendship area. Proceeds to the Ronald McDonald House.

EMPTY ALUMINUM CANS

Please place your aluminum cans in the plastic trash can in the area near the coat racks.

HURRICANE COLLECTION

Please place your donations in the bins provided in the narthex. The **items most needed** are cleaning supplies, bathroom supplies, personal hygiene products, cleaning gloves, masks, school supplies, first aid kits, and non-perishable food items.

