

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 Study in October

During this 500th anniversary year of the Reformation, the Adult Forum (Sundays, 9 am) will study the document "Declaration on the Way: Church, Ministry and Eucharist." Please consider joining us! This hopeful document builds upon 50 years of dialogue between Lutherans and Catholics and points out our many commonalities and our "remaining differences and reconciling considerations." If you would like to participate in this study, please sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex and indicate if you will download your own copy of the document or need a printed copy for \$2.00. Pastor Josh will lead the study, which will include plentiful time for small group discussions. The dates are October 1, 8, 15, and 22. Hope to see you there.

Hurricane Harvey Collection

Ascension will be collecting items on an ongoing basis to help people affected by Hurricane Harvey. Please place your donations in the bins provided in the narthex. All items/money donated will go through Matthew 25: Ministries to help those affected by the storm. Please do **NOT** donate clothes. 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.

Commemorating the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation

The Archdiocese of Cincinnati and ELCA Southern Ohio Synod are sponsoring these upcoming activities to understand the origins of the Reformation, our differences, and our growing unity in Christ.

The Reformation: Catholic & Lutheran Historical Perspectives
A Presentation by Fr. David Endres, PhD, Dean of Mount St. Mary's Seminary and the Athenaeum of Ohio
AND

Dr. David Mengel, Xavier University Dean of College of Arts and Sciences and History Professor

Dr. Mengel will highlight the historical roots of the reform. Fr. Endres will speak about the reforming movement's impact on the Catholic Church leading up to the Council of Trent. Both will also speak to our hopes for a future of greater reconciliation and unity.

Cincinnati Area: Thursday, October 12, 7:00 pm; Immaculate Heart of Mary Church (7770 Beechmont Ave.)

Dayton Area: Thursday, October 26, 7:00 pm; Peace Lutheran Church (3530 Dayton Xenia Rd.)

A Joint Prayer Service in Commemoration of the Reformation with Archdiocese of Cincinnati Auxiliary Bishop Joseph Binzer and ELCA Southern Ohio Synod Bishop Suzanne Dillahunt

Sunday, November 5, 7:00 pm; Epiphany Lutheran Church (6430 Far Hills Ave., Centerville)

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. **So far we've received 63 kits**, so please keep your donations coming so that we can 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., October 1.**



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

Commemorate the Reformation with Ascension

The weekend of October 28 and 29 we will be marking the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation. **On Saturday evening, let's have some German fun with a hearty meal**...brats, German potato salad, and all the typical trimmings! Following our meal and time for fellowship, we will watch **Rick Steves' video "Luther and the Reformation,"** which tells the story of Martin Luther. The video was filmed in Europe, showing the sites where the humble monk lived and started the Reformation. (For those of you not familiar with Rick Steves, he is a travel guide with programs on both public television and radio and he happens to be Lutheran!) Please save the date to be a part of our celebration!

N.E.E.D.S.

The N.E.E.D.S. pantry is very low in several areas. Any contributions in any of these areas will be appreciated. The list includes: jelly, pasta sauce (NOT pasta), peas, fruit, misc. vegetables (asparagus, beets, spinach, sauerkraut, mixed, carrots), or tuna. Plastic or paper grocery bags are also needed. Thank you for always supporting our efforts.

Worship at Ascension

8 am worship: A simple, small and early worship service every week.

10:15 am worship, through Advent:

Pentecost 15, Sept 17: Rejoice! (Contemporary Worship)

Pentecost 16, Sept 24: "Now the Feast" Liturgy

Pentecost 17, Oct 1: Liturgy Setting 2 ELW

Pentecost 18, Oct 8: Rejoice! (Contemporary Worship)

Pentecost 19, Oct 15: "Now the Feast" Liturgy

Pentecost 20, Oct 22: Rejoice! (Contemporary Worship)

Reformation Sunday, Oct 29: Liturgy Setting 2 ELW

All Saints Sunday, Nov 5: Liturgy Setting 2 ELW

Pentecost 23, Nov 12: Rejoice! (Contemporary Worship)

Pentecost 24, Nov 19: "Now the Feast" Liturgy

Christ the King, Nov 26: Liturgy Setting 2 ELW

Advent 1, Dec 3: Liturgy Setting 4 ELW

Advent 2, Dec 10: Liturgy Setting 4 ELW

Advent 3, Dec 17: Liturgy Setting 4 ELW

Advent 4, Dec 24: Liturgy Setting 4 ELW

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.

Office Hours :

Monday-Friday 8:30-12:30

Activities This Week:

MONDAY, September 18

Facilities & Grounds Committee

7:00 pm

TUESDAY, September 19

Evangelism Committee

6:00 pm

Church Council

7:00 pm

WEDNESDAY, September 20

Chancel Choir Rehearsal

7:00 pm

SUNDAY, September 24

Worship

8:00 am

10:15 am

Sunday School, Confirmation,

Adult Forum

9:00 am

Scripture Readings

For this week, beginning September 18:

M	Genesis 48:8-22 Hebrews 11:23-29 Psalm 133
T	Genesis 49:29—50:14 Romans 14:13—15:2 Psalm 133
W	Genesis 50:22-26 Mark 11:20-25 Psalm 133
Th	Nahum 1:1, 14—2:2 2 Corinthians 13:1-4 Psalm 145:1-8
F	Nahum 2:3-13 2 Corinthians 13:5-10 Psalm 145:1-8
S	Zephaniah 2:13-15 Matthew 19:23-30 Psalm 145:1-8
Su	Jonah 3:10—4:11 Psalm 145:1-8 Philippians 1:21-30

Soap Sundays



Once again we are collecting wrapped bars of soap for Lutheran World Relief. Soap is a small item but it can become a treasure when you have been forced to leave your home with nothing but the clothes on your back. Please bring your bars of wrapped soap and place them in the container provided in the narthex. They will be delivered to Kettering, OH, the first week in October to be collected by Lutheran World Relief. Thank you for your support!

Nursery Request: TV Stand

If anyone has a used TV stand/TV table that you no longer need, Ascension's nursery would be glad to put it to new use. Please contact Sue McKinney or the office if you would like to donate.

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