

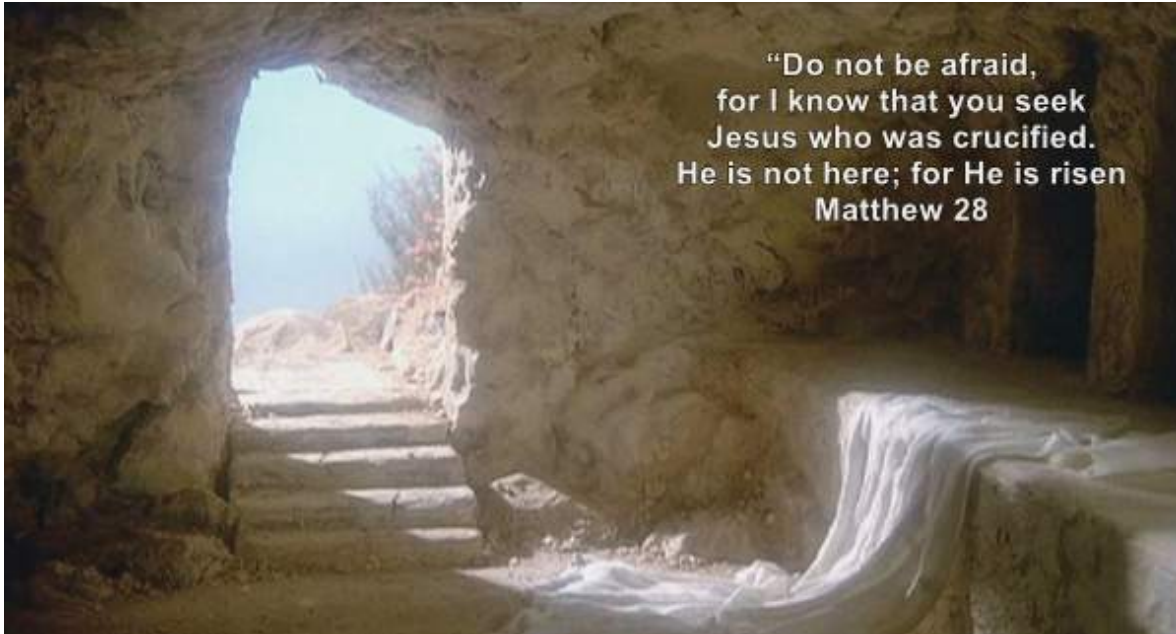


ASCENSION LUTHERAN

CHURCH ■ SCHOOL ■ FOUNDATION

March 31-April 1, 2018

Easter



“Do not be afraid,
for I know that you seek
Jesus who was crucified.
He is not here; for He is risen
Matthew 28

Holy Communion
Every Sunday at each service
2nd and 4th Saturdays

We pray that you will meet the Risen Christ as we worship together. If you do not have a church home, we invite you to worship with our Ascension family again.

All baptized Christians who believe that Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine as the word of God declares are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion with us today. Children who have not received First Communion instruction are invited to come forward and receive a blessing.

If medical/health concerns give you reason to avoid the wine and bread, please remember the teaching of the Christian Church that Jesus Christ is fully present in either element alone, bread or wine. (Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice, in the center of each tray, are also available.)

May God bless you in your worship today!

Pastors:
Tim Delkeskamp and Steve Herder

New Members Class

Would you like to take another step in your spiritual journey with God and His church? If so, we would like to invite you to be a part of our next new member class at Ascension.

We will meet in the library at 9:15 am on April 22nd and then go as a group to the 9:30 Worship Celebration.

Following worship, we will gather again in the library until lunch, share a complimentary lunch and complete the session by about 1:30 pm. Nursery and childcare will be provided throughout the class.

The focus of the class is the basics of the Christian faith and the ministry of Ascension. There will be an opportunity to ask any question that you might have and to get to know others. To RSVP, please call Stacy at (805) 495-0406 or email me at pastortim@alcto.org.



**Become
Part of
Our
Church
Family**

Blessings,

Pastor Tim

amazing grace
LOVE
mercy

Easter Blessings!

To the Parents of Our Young Children, may we suggest...

Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome!

If you can, sit toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on. They must tire of seeing the backs of other's heads.



Quietly explain parts of the service and actions of the pastor, worship leader, music, director, organist, choir, etc. Sing the hymns and pray and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you and others.

We do have a Comfort Room (aka Cry Room) off the East Narthex, where you are welcome to watch the service without being heard if the need arises. If you have to leave the service with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me." We also have busy bags with activities for little hands for use during worship. Those may be found in the West Narthex.

Remember that the way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in this house of worship.

To the Members of Our Congregation... The presence of children is a gift to the Church and they are a reminder that our congregation is growing. Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents.



Breakfast is served...

Greet Easter morning with breakfast provided by our Senior Luther Leaguers!

Beginning at 7 AM until 11 on Easter Sunday, April 1, in



Pederson Hall, our youth will serve a full breakfast of scrambled eggs, sausage, pancakes and juice.

Tickets are available at the door -- \$7 per adult, \$5 per child and \$25 for a family of 5. Share in some wonderful Easter fellowship and, at the same time, help our kids raise money for their annual summer tour.

**You're invited to our sanctuary
April 15th at 2 PM
for the installation service of
Julie McCain
our new
Children-Youth-Family Pastor
Reception to follow**



April 20-22 Tomato Plant Sale

Friday, April 20, 2:30-5:30 PM, Saturday, April 21, 5:30-7:30, and Sunday, April 22, 9:00-1:30 with a picnic lunch at noon.

Celebrate God's good creation on Earth Day Weekend, enjoy time outdoors, explore special food and nature booths, and buy tomato plants! Our preschoolers, day schoolers, Sunday schoolers and confirmands have planted almost 900 tomato seeds and the sale of the tomato plants will support the One Ascension Garden Program! We have a large variety of heirloom and hybrid tomatoes of numerous sizes and colors! For any questions about the sale or our garden program, you may contact Pastor Chamie at cdelkeskamp@alschool.org



Helping Hands Appreciated!

Our Fellowship Team has a lot of celebratory events coming up in the next several months and we can always use some extra helping hands to carry them off. Here's what's on the calendar:



- *a reception for Pastor Julie McCain, our new children, youth and family pastor after her installation on April 15;
- * Pentecost, May 20;
- *Music Appreciation Sunday, June 10;
- *a 70th anniversary celebration for Ascension (officially July 4, but we want to postpone the big celebration until after the church sanctuary has been refurbished, sometime in September).

If you can help with any or all of these, or if you have questions, please contact Susanne Hopkins in the church office, 805/495-0406, or come to our next meeting at 10:15 am Thursday, April 5, in the Bethlehem Room. We'd love to have you join us!

TUESDAY MORNING PRAYER TEAM

A prayer team to serve those in need of prayer, those in need of a hand up, those in need of a shoulder, and also to express joys is open to join! This team is unique in that it emphasizes the personal touch, and is now known as an "In Touch Ministry". Jim Adams (Capt. Jim) heads the group and is looking for new members. Those interested should contact Jim at (818) 497-8606, by email at sawtooth7@sbcglobal.net. Or, just show up!

The team is meeting in the Prayer Chapel on Tuesdays at 10 AM. Pastor Tim graciously agreed to be with us at the first part of our discussions. Y'all come and please join us next Tuesday at the Chapel!

HIGHLIGHTS OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, April 8, 9:30 and 11 AM, Adult Education classes with Dr. Lisa Dahill: Bible Study on Creation, Bethlehem Room

4 PM, Great Music at Ascension presents organ and piano concert by Kiyo and Chiemi Watanabe, Sanctuary

Wednesday, April 11, 3PM, Kids of the Kingdom Movie Day to Janss Marketplace

7-9 PM Gloobal Ministries Team meeting



Sunday, April 15, 8:30 and 11 AM, Adult Education classes with Pastor Chamie Delkeskamp, "Gardens for Peace & Community," Bethlehem Room

2 PM, Installation of Julie McCain as Children-Youth-Family Pastor, in the sanctuary

Friday, April 20-Sunday, April 22, Tomato Sale by Ascension Lutheran School, (Friday 2:30-5:30 PM, Saturday 5:30-7:30 PM, Sunday 9 AM-1:30 PM with picnic, in the garden

Saturday, April 21, 7-9 PM, Screening of film, "Before the Flood," Bethlehem Room

Friday, April 27, 6 PM, "Spring Sing," Showcasing the talents of our own Ascension Lutheran School students, Sanctuary

Scandinavian Worship Service



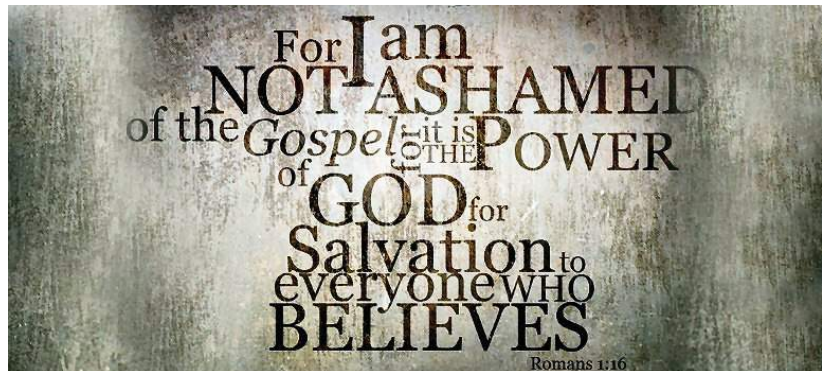
The 43rd Scandinavian Festival is coming up April 21-22 at CLU – and with it, a chance to attend a Scandinavian worship service. To be presented in English, Danish, Norwegian, Swedish and Finnish, the service takes place on Saturday, the 21st, at 1:30 PM in Samuelson Chapel.

INVITATION TO JOIN ALC EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

Our committee discusses, creates and implements ways our church can reach out to people in the Conejo Valley, and hopefully, attract non-members to be a part of our church ministries. As Christians, one of our most important responses to our faith is to bring others to Christ.

If you have a creative spirit, an interest in coming up with ways for outreach and having fun doing this with other members and Pastor Tim, this is the committee for you!

Please call Sean at (818) 370-3156 or e-mail sean@seanmcglynn.com for more information or questions about our group.



IN NEED OF PRAYER

Our printed prayer list focuses on Ascension members and immediate family members. We do pray for people listed on the blue cards during church services and we do refer them to the Prayer Tree.

A name is added to this list only with the permission of the person or the person's family.

Prayer Notes and Care Notes are in the West Narthex and the library.

Prayers of comfort for:

Ron Rudrud and family on the death of his brother

Prayers of thanksgiving:

For Jack Koenig's successful heart surgery. Please pray for a complete recovery.

Continuing prayers for:

Bonnie Abbott
Connie Angress
Bonnie Bartlett
Debi Bing
Dean Chandler
Ken Dameron
Anne David
Chuck Mork
Helen Nenne
Doris Owings
Cleo Sarff
Roy Thorson
Julia White

Prayer Focus:

For our Peru mission: Pastor David, Sister Emilia, the Pachacamac community (please pray for them each Wednesday at 6 pm, as they do for us, and for our Mission Peru 2018 trip)

Prayers for our missionaries:

Carol and Randy Stubbs, Tanzania

Prayers for safekeeping:

Connor Braaten, USMC
Scott Clark, U.S. Navy
LCpL. Alexander Daley
Tim David, U.S. Army
ET2 Patrick Maccarone, USN
Sean McEwen, U.S. Army
Scott Mochatel, U.S. Coast Guard
LCJG Caroline Truesdell, USCG

Please take this prayer list home and pray in the coming week for the needs expressed.

CALENDAR

Sunday, April 1 - Easter

6:30 am Sunrise Service of Lights & Lilies, Sanctuary
7:00 am Easter Breakfast by Sr. LL, Pederson Hall
8:00 am Easter Festival Service, Sanctuary
9:30 am Easter Festival Service, Sanctuary
10:45 am Butterfly Release, Ascension campus
11:00 am Easter Festival Service, Sanctuary
2:15 pm Christian Life Hour, University Village Oak View
7:00 pm NA Women's Group, Library

Monday, April 2

6:00 pm Adult Children of Alcoholics, Modular
7:30 pm Senior Luther League Bible Study, Dugout

Tuesday, April 3

6:30 am Men's Bible Study, Sidestreet Cafe
9:00 am Christ Care, Founder's Hall Kitchen
10:00 am 'In Touch' Prayer Team, Prayer Chapel
6:30 pm Carillons Rehearsal, Sanctuary
6:45 pm Narcotics Anonymous, Bethlehem Room
7:30 pm Small Group Bible Study, Library

Wednesday, April 4

9:00 am Chapel, Sanctuary
10:00 am Christian Life Hour, Senior Concerns
12:00 pm Lunch Bunch, Founders Hall
6:30 pm Women's Ministry meeting, Church staff office

Thursday, April 5

9:00 am Coffee Talk With Pastor Tim, Library
11:15 am Fellowship Committee, Bethlehem Room
6:00 pm Tutoring Outreach, Conejo Elementary School
7:00 pm Bethel, Prayer Chapel
7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
7:30 pm Men's Bible Study, Library

Friday, April 6

9:00 am Bible Study, Founder's Hall Kitchen
12:30 pm GriefShare, Library
7:30 pm CODA, Library

Saturday, April 7

10:00 am Alanon, Bethlehem Room
10:00 am Overeaters Anonymous, Library
6:00 pm Saturday Evening Worship, Sanctuary

**LET YOUR
FAITH
BE BIGGER
THAN YOUR
FEARS**

S.A.M. Excursion to the Reagan Library

“What do pants, the pony express, cannons, paper money, skis, violins, baklava and “hooray!” have in common? Answer: Genghis Khan introduced them all to the West. Not Genghis the brutal barbarian of Western history books, but Genghis the great civilizer and lawmaker...”

That is how the Reagan Library introduces its current Genghis Khan exhibit -- where Ascension’s Senior Adult Ministries (S.A.M.) has an outing planned.

On Wednesday, April 11, at 1 PM (after Lunch Bunch), we will carpool to the Reagan Library to view the exhibit. This is its only Southern California stop on an international tour that has drawn more than a million visitors.



Last year, our S.A.M. group had a great time touring the Titanic Exhibit at the Reagan Library

You may tour the remainder of the library if you wish. Cost for seniors is \$22, adults \$25. RSVP to the church office by Monday, April 9.



KIDS OF THE KINGDOM MOVIE DAY

Wednesday April 11th @ Jann’s Marketplace

Cost is \$15 for a matinee movie and a snack pack.

We will meet at the lunch tables here at Ascension @3:00. You must RSVP at the link below by 4/10

<http://bit.ly/KoK-Signup>

TICKET MOVIE \$0.00

**JANN'S MARKETPLACE MOVIE THEATER
ALL ARE WELCOME**



**Give by text
(805) 360-5092**

Great Music at Ascension Presents...

**Kiyo & Chiemi Watanabe in concert
April 8 @4 PM, Sanctuary**

Kiyo & Chiemi Watanabe performed at the 2017 International Summer Organ Festival at the Spreckels Organ Pavilion in Balboa Park, their 5th appearance since 1993.

They will be performing works by Richard Wagner, Gustav Merkel, Sergei Rachmaninoff, John Weaver, Robert Ampt and original compositions by Kiyo Watanabe.

Kiyo holds a bachelor of music degree in organ performance from Baylor University and a master and a doctor of musical arts degree from Manhattan School of Music. Chiemi has a master of music degree in organ from the Manhattan School of Music and studied with some of America's leading organ teachers, including John Weaver at The Juilliard School and McNeil Robinson at Manhattan School of Music.



Great Music
at ASCENSION

We are excited to present an exceptional organ duo



**KIYO & CHIEMI
WATANABE**

Sunday April 8, 2018 at 4:00 pm

Scholarship Applications

Applications for college scholarships are now available in the west narthex or in the church office, or on our website. Completed applications are due by April 20.



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LUNCH BUNCH

**Menu
This
Week**

April 4
Chicken Enchiladas
Side salad
Fruit

**Every Wednesday
At Noon
\$4.00**

Reserve by noon
Monday

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

In God we trust.

Weekly worship

Saturday 6 pm Country

Sunday 8 and 9:30 am Traditional

11 am Contemporary

Childcare at all Sunday services

Pastoral Care Emergency Line: (805) 405-7431

Give by text (805) 360-5092

Acts 10:34-43

Psalms 118:1-2, 14-21

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Mark 16:1-8

Acts 4:32

Psalms 133

1 John 1:1-2:2

John 20:19-31

