

# Announcements

## September 17, 2023

### Ascension Lutheran Church

1479 Morse Road, Columbus, Ohio 43229

Office: (614) 262-7389

Normal Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday, 9:00 am-3:00 pm

Office email: [bnoe@ascension-columbus.org](mailto:bnoe@ascension-columbus.org)

### Covid-19 Protocols and Worship

- Face masks are optional. Anyone may choose to wear a mask for any reason.
- There are now three different options for receiving Holy Communion. You may come forward and receive communion at the front in a continuous fashion (instructions will be given); or you may pick up communion elements on the back table as you arrive to commune yourself in the pew at the appropriate time; or you may remain in your pew and communion will be brought to you during the distribution (please inform the usher).
- Unchanged is our commitment to an excellent virtual worship experience. Our Sunday worship services will continue to be available virtually as well as in-person.

### Bible Study Class Beginning



Starting Tuesday, September 26, at 10 a.m., Curt Skarloken will lead and moderate a weekly Bible study in the lounge, beginning with the Gospel of Matthew. Each session should last about an hour.

Everyone is welcome!

### CONGREGATIONAL HISTORY EVENT—TODAY!

As part of our ongoing congregational holy conversations as to our future, your church leadership invites you to participate in a history event. The purpose of our time together is to come together as a church as an opportunity for reflection on our heritage and a celebration where the congregation has been. Understanding what has shaped us in the past helps us to move toward the future and stay open to the Lord's leading. This is a 'hands-on' event' with a catered luncheon. The event will be moderated by Pastor Steve Wachtman, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, in Upper Arlington. Please join us in Acton Hall today after the service.



### Cards for Home-Bound Members

If you didn't get a chance to sign the cards for our home-bound members last week, they are on the table in the back of the Sanctuary.

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## "News You Can Use"

### Welcome Guests



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Welcome to Ascension Lutheran, a congregation of the Southern Ohio Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

### Membership

If you would like to know more about Ascension or are interested in living out your discipleship as a member of this community, please contact the church office at (614) 262-7389.

### Email/One Call List

Please let us know if you would like to be on our email list to receive our weekly news blasts, bulletins and newsletters and/or also if you want to be on our 'one call' list to receive twice-weekly brief announcements and devotions. If you are interested in being on this list, please contact the church office via phone (614-262-7389) or email ([bnoe@ascension-columbus.org](mailto:bnoe@ascension-columbus.org)).



### ASCENSION CONTEMPORARY BAND OUTDOOR CONCERT

**Sunday, September 24 @ 4:00 p.m.**

**PRaise BAND** Please come and bring your friends. Bring lawn chairs or blankets for sitting. *There are flyers on the table in the back of the sanctuary if you can put one up to advertise our concert. The community is welcome!*

**This is a fundraising event to help our youth pay for expenses to the ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans next July. Please plan to buy a treat from the bake sale or make a bid on one of our themed baskets.**

### Assistance Is Requested

You are needed to help make this event successful. Here are ways you can assist:

- ◇ Donate items for the silent auction. (The basket themes are OSU, Babies/Young Children, Gift Cards (no more than \$10 or \$15), School Supply Items for Teachers, Kitchen and Snacks.) These items can be placed in the marked box at the back of the Sanctuary, dropped off at the church office, or given to Bev Cook-Finley, by Friday, September 22.
- ◇ Donate baked goods (individually wrapped) for the bake sale. **Please put them in the kitchen when you come to church next Sunday, September 24th.**
- ◇ Help on the day of the concert with the bake sale, silent auction, or set up/clean up.

If you can assist in any way, please let Oscar Kamazima or Bev Cook-Finley know of your willingness, or call the church office. If you are unable to attend on the 24th, you can put a donation in the offering marked "ELCA Youth." Your kindness to help will be appreciated in any form.

## Altar and Chancel Flowers

Altar flowers are given by Akinyi Opanga in celebration of her 50th birthday.



Altar or chancel flowers in honor, memory or celebration may be donated by signing up in the Flowers Notebook (table across from office door). Please order flowers at least one Sunday in advance.

## Remember in Prayer

- Pastor Ron Huff
- Judy Stark
- Jim Kelley
- Kathy McDaniel
- Scott & Connie Scalfaro (family of Jim Mead)
- Marilyn Sullivan
- Sandy Baker
- Tom & Sandra Huss
- Kathy Kerchner
- Sandy Nicholson

### Prayer Chain:

For confidential prayer requests, submit your requests to the prayer chain; Jim Kelley (614) 893-2047. If you wish to have your prayers included in Sunday's intercessory prayer, please email the church office.

Prayers in the bulletin will remain for 30 days. If you would like to remain on the Sunday prayers, please contact the church office.

We are honored to pray for you and those you love.

## Ascending Tones

Ascending Tones, Ascension's own handbell choir, is now starting for the fall season. We need new ringers and substitutes! Anyone is welcome—the ability to read music is all that is needed. If you've ever thought you would like to try ringing, now is the time! We rehearse on Thursday evenings from 8:30 to 9:30.

For more information call Jan Dahlstrom at 614.326.3978.



## Chi-Rho (Bi-Monthly Newsletter)

Please submit articles for the October-November newsletter by Monday, September 18, 2023. Please send to [bnoe@ascension-columbus.org](mailto:bnoe@ascension-columbus.org) Thank you.

## Hopewood Pines Apple Butter Festival

On Sunday, October 8, HopeWood Pines is hosting the Apple Butter Festival from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. They are in need of volunteers. If you can help, please go to this link to volunteer:

<https://hopewoodoutdoors.org/support/volunteer/>

## Office Volunteer Needed

If you can help in the church office on Thursdays to answer phones and greet visitors, please contact Brenda Noe at 614.262.7389, or by email at [bnoe@ascension-columbus.org](mailto:bnoe@ascension-columbus.org).

## Church Calendar\*

### Sunday, September 17

10:00 am Worship (Live Stream & in-person)  
11:15 am Confirmation Class (Conf. Room)  
11:30 am Congregational History Event/Luncheon (Acton)

### Monday, September 18

6:30 pm Cub Scouts (Assembly)  
7:00 pm Boy Scouts (Acton Hall)

### Tuesday, September 19

6:30 pm Columbus Quilters (Assembly)  
7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous (Acton Hall)  
7:00 pm Compassionate Friends (Zoom)

### Wednesday, September 20

1:00 am Prayer Group (East Foyer)

### Thursday, September 21

10:30 am Ascension Book Club (Library)  
7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous (Acton Hall)  
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

### Friday, September 22

No Events

### Saturday, September 23

No Events

### Sunday, September 24

10:00 am Worship (Live Stream & in-person)  
11:00 am Coffee Fellowship  
11:15 am Confirmation Class (Conf. Room)  
11:15 am Sunday School (Cloud Room)  
2:00 pm Compassionate Friends (Assembly)  
4:00 pm Fundraising Concert for Youth (Assembly)

\*For a full building calendar and space assignments, please visit

## Ascension Staff:

**Pastor:** Rev. Karen Asmus-Alsnauer  
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