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Welcome To Our Guests

It is a great joy to have you here today. We pray that your time with us has helped to deepen your faith in our Lord, Jesus Christ. If we can be of service to you or your family, we invite you to talk to us at your convenience. You will always be welcome here. Please do us the honor of signing the guest sheet at the podium at the front of the church or at the entrance from the Education Wing.
Thank you for coming!

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 18, 2021

Worship Service - 9:30 AM

WELCOME

PRELUDE

AS WE GATHER

Often, a person knows he or she is loved by what is done by another. From the words said, actions shown, and even at times gifts given from parents to children, spouses to each other, friends among one another, and more, we can often sense the motivation of love behind many forms of kindness and care. How can we know God's love for us? It's in some ways similar to our earthly relationships, but is from One who always loves perfectly. "See what kind of love the Father has given to us" (1 John 3:1). The Lord speaks His Word of unchanging truth, promise, and hope. He gives the action of sending His one and only Son to this world to live, die, and be raised to life that we may have a new and forgiven life in Him. He gives the gift of His Means of Grace claiming us as His own in Baptism and providing Christ's body and blood for our forgiveness of sins and nourishment of faith. Unlike love shown in temporal earthly ways, His love is eternal and everlasting and one we are blessed to see with eyes of faith and know in our hearts as we continue in this Easter season, rejoicing in the fact that Christ is risen!

(stand)

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN: **"Son of God, Eternal Savior"**

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**Son of God, eternal Savior,
Source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us
Hallows all our human race,
You our head, who, throned in glory,
For Your own will ever plead:
Fill us with Your love and pity,
Heal our wrongs, and help our need.**

As you, Lord, have lived for others,
So may we for others live.
Freely have Your gifts been granted;
Freely may Your servants give.
Yours the gold and Yours the silver,
Yours the wealth of land and sea;
We but stewards of Your bounty
Held in solemn trust will be.

Come, O Christ, and reign among us,
King of love and Prince of Peace;
Hush the storm of strife and passion,
Bid its cruel discords cease.
By Your patient years of toiling,
By Your silent hours of pain,
Quench our fevered thirst of pleasure,
Stem our selfish greed of gain.

Son of God, eternal Savior,
Source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us
Hallows all our human race:
By Your praying, by Your willing
That Your people should be one,
Grant, oh, grant our hope's fruition:
Here on earth Your will be done.

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CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *1 John 3:1; Psalm 30:4–5; 16:11b*

Pastor: “See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are.” Gracious Lord, by Your name You have called us Your own children, and we are to pray, praise, and give thanks to You.

People: **Yet we often choose not to see the love You have given to us, letting other things of this world impede our vision of Your mercy and grace in Christ. We do not always live as You have called us to be as Your children.**

Pastor: We confess our sins to God in repentance, turning from those things that lead us away, turning back to You in the love You’ve shown.

Silence for reflection.

Pastor: Almighty and ever-compassionate Lord,
People: **we are by nature sinful and unclean. We confess our many failures as we have not followed You joyfully and trustingly. We have not loved others as You have first loved us, and our thoughts, words, and deeds have not been pleasing to You. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us to delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name.**

Pastor: Sing praises to the LORD, O you His saints,

People: **and give thanks to His holy name.**

Pastor: For His anger is but for a moment, and His favor is for a lifetime.

People: **Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Pastor: In Your presence there is fullness of joy;

People: **at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.**

Pastor: "See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are." As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit. As His children, may He keep you in His grace by the Holy Spirit and grant you a renewed life on earth and finally a triumphant life with Him in heaven forever, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Thanks be to God!**

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

At this time, turn around and greet each other with the peace of Christ. Please do so by waving and remaining where you are seated.

(sit)

FIRST READING: Acts 3:11–21 *(Peter preaches salvation through Christ.)*

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE: 1 John 3:1–7 *(We are God's children now.)*

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

(stand)

HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 24:36–49 (*Amid disciples' doubts, the resurrected Christ affirms the fulfillment of God's Word.*)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

People: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Congregation reads together:

³⁶ As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!" ³⁷ But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. ³⁸ And He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹ See My hands and My feet, that it is I myself. Touch Me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴⁰ And when He had said this, He showed them His hands and His feet. ⁴¹ And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, He said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" ⁴² They gave Him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³ and He took it and ate before them.

⁴⁴ Then He said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about Me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵ Then He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶ and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷ and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in His name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹ And behold, I am sending the promise of My Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY: "How Deep the Father's Love For Us"

(sit)

THE APPLICATION OF GOD'S WORD FOR TODAY

Pastor Adam Thompson

(stand)

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made, who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

(sit)

OFFERTORY MEDITATION SONG: “The Father’s Love”

(stand)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord God, in Your presence we find fullness of joy, and by Your right hand, Christ Jesus, You win and deliver peace forevermore. In the midst of this world’s sins and sorrows, give us peace in the knowledge of His salvation and confident hope in the resurrection of the dead. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Heavenly Father, by the incarnation of Your Son and the reconciliation of His cross, You have made us Your children and gathered us into Your Holy Church. Sustain the preaching of Your Holy Word and its message of repentance for the forgiveness of sins in Jesus’ name among us and all the nations of the world. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Give peace, Lord, to our homes and enliven them by Christ’s resurrected life. Let the forgiveness of sins reign among husband and wives, parents and children. Assure those who live alone that they, too, are Your children, upheld by Your right hand. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Almighty God, preserve our nation and its leaders, especially Joseph, our president, and Thomas, our governor. Preserve order and decency in this fallen world by their hands and restrain the sins and deceptions of the lawless, that we may practice righteousness while awaiting the eternal peace promised in Christ's wounds alone. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Gracious Father, as Your Son's wounds brought gladness and peace to the troubled disciples, give Your presence and comfort to the troubled in our midst [*especially . . . individual prayer requests may be spoken at this time followed by the petitioner saying "Lord, in Your mercy" after each request*]. Comfort also those who weep with the blessed joy of Easter morning. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, by Your Son's crucifixion all sins have been blotted out. Send us now the blessed refreshment of His bodily presence in the Sacrament of the Altar, and make us fit partakers in repentance for the forgiveness of our sins. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.

People: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: Drink of it, all of you; this is My + blood of the new testament, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you.

HOLY COMMUNION

Congregants are welcome to take a Communion kit from the Narthex near the front door, and will be invited to take Communion at this time.

HOLY COMMUNION

Pastor: Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Pastor: Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord strengthen and preserve you steadfast in the true faith to life everlasting. Go in peace.

People: Amen.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

**For the Bread Which You Have Given
(tune - Joyful, Joyful)**

**For the bread which You have broken
For the wine which You have poured
For the words which You have spoken
Now we give You thanks O Lord
By this promise that You love us
By Your gift of peace restored
By Your call to heaven above us
Hallow all our lives O Lord**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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THE BLESSING

The Lord bless us and keep us.

The Lord make His face to shine upon us and be gracious unto us.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon us and give us peace.

CLOSING SONG: “Living Hope”

Pastor: Go in peace and

People: serve the Lord.

LOOKING AHEAD: The assigned readings of the Church Calendar for next week are Acts 4:1-12, 1 John 3:16-24, and John 10:11-18.

OUR MISSION AND VISION STATEMENT

Acknowledging the great gift of God the Father in sending His Son, Jesus Christ, as our Savior, we the people of Ascension Lutheran Church, as guided by the Holy Spirit, are committed to the furtherance of God’s Kingdom. We will share and live the Gospel in our homes, our church, our community, and the world. Motivated by Christ’s love for us, we are dedicated to spiritual growth and unity, worship and fellowship, and compassionate service. We recognize this as our common purpose and pray that God will enable us by His strength and wisdom to seek His will.



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THIS WEEK AT ASCENSION

APRIL 18, 2021	WORSHIP SERVICE IN-PERSON AND LIVE-STREAMED	9:30 AM
	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FOLLOWS WORSHIP	
	CONFIRMATION CLASS	1:00 PM
WEDNESDAY	PRAYER AND PRAISE GROUP VIA ZOOM	10:00 AM
	ELDERS' MEETING	6:30 PM

ASCENSION NEWS

IMPORTANT – **EVERYONE please sign in** on one of the attendance sheets located at the Narthex or the Education Wing entrances.

FACE COVERINGS – Please wear face coverings indoors in all parts of the building (those who are over age two [2] and medically able to do so). If you forgot a face covering, there are some available in the Narthex and at the office entrance.

OFFERINGS – Since the offering plate will not be passed during the service, an offering plate will be available in the Narthex for you to present your gifts as you exit or arrive.

SOCIAL DISTANCING – Please practice social distancing in the Sanctuary (six [6] feet between households), and seating in every other pew. Please do not linger inside the building entrances/exits prior to and following worship services. Please enjoy the beautiful weather outside as you visit from six (6) feet apart!

HAND SANITIZER – Hand sanitizer is available in the Narthex, Fellowship Hall, and at the office entrance for your use.

HOLY COMMUNION – On Communion Sundays, there will be three (3) choices for Communion based on your comfort level regarding COVID. First choice, there are individually sealed kits available in the Narthex as you walk into church. You may take one and during the time of Communion be communed from your location in the pew. Second choice, you may take the individually sealed kit and bring it with you to the railing during Communion and partake at the railing but serve yourself the elements from the kit. Third, you may come up to the railing as normal and receive Communion from the Pastor and Assisting Elder. Pastor and Elders will be masked and gloved during Communion up front and social distancing guidelines will be observed at the railing.

BUILDING RESTRICTIONS – To limit the need for cleaning and disinfection, the classroom areas will be taped off. *If anyone needs to comfort a child, we will temporarily ask parents to use the Narthex.*

ACOLYTE: Isaac Krieger
ALTAR GUILD / APRIL: Janet Seitz
ELDER ON DUTY TODAY: Mike Fiffik
LAY READER: Pete Candreva
USHERS: Edie Krom / Matthew Gunther
ATTENDANCE 04/11/21: WORSHIP 62; **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:** 38

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

April 20: Kayla Arnett, Pastor Adam Thompson;
 April 21: Karen Stauffer; April 24: Dollyanne Gaertner

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

April 24: Steve & Kelly Vogel

ACTIVITY BAGS FOR PRESCHOOLERS – We have tote bags available for preschoolers to use during the worship service. These have books, crayons, and small toys to keep them busy during the service. They are located in a basket in the Narthex of the church. Please return them to the wicker basket marked “Used Worship Bags” after the service.

HELP NEEDED – We are looking for volunteers to wipe down the handrails after the services. Please see Pete Candreva if you can help.

BULLETINS and **CHILDREN’S BULLETINS** are available on our website: www.ascensionpgh.com.

VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – Mystery Island VBS 2021 is coming to Ascension **July 12-15 from 6:00-7:30 PM!** In order to make this happen, we need our fantastic volunteers! Please read and complete the following **Google Form** (<https://forms.gle/M2iCq2h12jo6MpABA>) to let us know of your interest in volunteering this year. Please complete this form **by Friday, April 30th**. Any questions - email Lisa and Emily at vbs@ascensionpgh.com. Thank you!

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS – The first quarter contribution statements are in the mailboxes in the Narthex. If you have not been attending in-person services, statements have been mailed out to you. If you have any questions, please contact Bob Marcellus at finance@ascensionpgh.com. Thank you.

LUTHERAN LIFE MAGAZINE – We received complimentary copies of the Winter 2021 issue of *Lutheran Life* magazine from Concordia Publishing House. They are available on the table in the Narthex for anyone who would like a copy.

PRAYER AND PRAISE GROUP is meeting via Zoom. Join us on **Wednesday** (April 21) from 10 AM to 11 AM and then every Wednesday thereafter until we are able to meet in person. If you have any questions or need prayer, please call me at 808-295-1835. In the Love of Jesus, Bob Booth

CALLING ALL TEENS (6th grade and up!) – **Kayaking in North Park, Saturday, May 8th, 2:00 PM** - Have you ever seen those beautiful lakeside pictures of North Park dotted with packs of kayakers and wished for an opportunity to experience that level of serenity? Well, here's your chance! The teens will gather at the North Park boathouse on Saturday, May 8th at 2:00 PM to kayak on this special lake with rentals from Venture Outdoors. We look forward to sharing this experience with you! RSVP to Ronette at youth@ascensionpgh.com or 412-443-3704.

HAVING A MEETING, GROUP STUDY, OR GATHERING AT THE CHURCH? If so, you should request access to the church building by contacting the secretary at secretary@ascensionpgh.com or by contacting a trustee at trustees@ascensionpgh.com. We are here to help make your function go smoothly.

LCMS STEWARDSHIP NOTE – **1 John 3:2** – “Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is.” The essence of our sanctification is becoming like our Lord. As St. John notes, this will only be completed in the Resurrection. In the meantime, we strive toward that goal because we want to walk in the footsteps of our Lord. By His grace we share His destiny in eternal life, and therefore we desire to share His life of service now.

PRIVATE COMMUNION SERVICES are available to members who should not attend or who are not yet ready to return to worship in person due to Covid-19. Appointments will be made every 20 minutes on Tuesdays between 7:00-9:00 AM and Fridays between 4:00-6:00 PM. Please email Pastor Thompson at pastor@ascensionpgh.com to make your appointment.

GET TO KNOW YOU VISITS – Have you scheduled your get to know you visit with Pastor Thompson yet? There are three options—Zoom (Tuesdays-Fridays from 2:00-7:00 PM meeting times, as available), in person, or if neither of those options work, a telephone call option. For scheduling, please email Pastor Thompson at pastor@ascensionpgh.com.

LIVE-STREAMING WORSHIP SERVICES – Our worship services are live-streamed on our YouTube Channel. Just click on this link https://www.youtube.com/channel/Ucu_ARgzTTcfZZXuZAeiyEVQ/videos or search in YouTube for Ascension Lutheran Church PGH. More detailed directions are available on our website (www.ascensionpgh.com). If you have any questions, feel free to contact Vanessa Candreva at music@ascensionpgh.com.

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SOCIAL MEDIA – Ascension is on Facebook (www.facebook.com/AscensionPgh) and Twitter (www.twitter.com/AscensionPgh). You don't have to have accounts to view our pages online. Please do check us out (and "Like"/follow us).

EMPTY PRINTER CARTRIDGES – If you have any empty printer cartridges at home, please donate them to the church. OfficeMax® will accept any brand empty printer cartridges. For each cartridge we will receive \$2 towards supplies at OfficeMax®. Just place the cartridges in the basket above the coatrack in the Narthex. Thank you!

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

"GOD WITH US" ON THE RADIO – If you are not attending in-person worship services and do not have access to a computer for online services, the Lutheran broadcast "God With Us" is **available on WORD-FM 101.5 on Sundays at 10:30 AM**. "God with Us" features Rev. Dr. Daniel A. Hahn Jr., Pastor of Tri-Parish (St. John's, Bethel and Zion, Lawrenceville).

THE LUTHERAN HOUR is on WWNL/1080 AM on Saturdays at 3:30 PM and on Tuesdays at 12:30 PM. Read or listen to the sermon at www.lutheranhour.org. **April 25, 2021: “Replace or Repair?”** Broken doesn't mean "disposable." Dr. Michael Zeigler tells how God redeems and repurposes broken people. (Jonah 2) Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

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RETIREMENT LIVING OPEN HOUSES OFFERED AT CONCORDIA LOCATIONS:

Concordia Haven Apartments (112 Marwood Road, Cabot, PA 16023) **on Monday, April 26** – 2 or 3 p.m., **Friday, April 30** – 2 or 3 p.m. or **Saturday, May 1** – 2 or 3 p.m. To RSVP, call Admissions Counselor Peggy Trettel at 724-352-5378.

Concordia of the South Hills (1300 Bower Hill Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15243) **on Sunday, May 2** – 1 or 2 p.m. or **Monday, May 3** – 1 or 2 p.m. To RSVP, call Director of Marketing, Christie Wahlen at 412-294-1351.

CHRISTIAN COUNSELING ASSOCIATES is a full-service counseling center committed to using the resources of the Christian faith in helping individuals and families achieve emotional, spiritual, and physical well-being. Licensed and certified professional counselors provide all services. Available services include help for those seeking professional help for emotional and life challenges such as depression, anxiety, marital problems, addictions, grief, trauma, or any mental health concern. CCA offers services to adults, children, adolescents, and families. Christian counseling engages a faith-based process of change that can equip individuals to overcome the challenges they face. CCA accepts many different health insurances for payment and offers a sliding fee scale if there is no insurance. Ascension provides office space for CCA. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 724-396-1510.

LIFE QUOTE: “Hang on to Jesus, my dear friend. In Him and Him alone is true life—both now and forever. Though God’s work in the world may be hard to understand sometimes, we rejoice and celebrate as we look forward to all that He has in store for us.” *Rev. Dr. Oswald Hoffman, The Lutheran Hour – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life* • www.lutheransforlife.org

PRAYER REQUESTS – April 18, 2021*

“And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise him up. If he has sinned, he will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.” (James 5:15-16)

FOR HEALTH & HEALING

Glenna Powers (recovery from rotator cuff surgery); Kelly Vogel (recovery from surgery); Natalie Gaertner (health issues); Roy Wiegand (health issues); Ruth Miller (adjustment to new home); Elva Fields; for all those ill with coronavirus; Gene Williams (mesothelioma); Clay McClellan; Nadine Weber

FOR STRENGTH & COMFORT

For all those who lost loved ones, for the citizens, survivors, relief workers, missionaries, and families affected by hurricanes, earthquakes, terrorist attacks and disasters worldwide

FOR THANKSGIVING

For the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ; all our guests; the gifts of love and God's Word; family and friends; our country

FOR SAFETY/PROTECTION

For all affected by the coronavirus pandemic; healthcare workers; college students; school students, teachers, staff and bus drivers; missionaries; our armed forces; unborn children

FOR DIRECTION AND FAITH

For those who are experiencing a crisis of faith; women with unplanned pregnancies

GENERAL PRAYER, GUIDANCE, AND PROVISION

For our country and leaders; the Gaertner family; SOAR Respite Nights families; Megan and Gene Williams, Jr. and DiscipleMakers; Pastor Eric Andrae and Campus Ministry in Oakland; seminary students; the residents and staff of Concordia Lutheran Ministries; Shepherd's Heart Fellowship; Food For The Poor; Christian Counseling Associates counselors and their clients; those with special needs (physical, mental, or emotional)

“Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.” (Colossians 4:2)

***Please note that prayer requests will remain on the prayer list for 60 days and then be removed unless an extension is requested by notifying the church secretary.**