

Ascension Lutheran Church of Navarino

“The Visitor”



2026

“Joyfully, we invite and equip all people to share Christ’s love”

The Mission Statement of Ascension Lutheran Church.

Ascension Lutheran Church
W6106 Navarino Road,
Shiocton, WI 54170

Church Office:
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In case of a Emergency call
Glen Peebles at (715)584-3029

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Ascensionavarino@gmail.com

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www.ascensionavarino.com

Pastor Mark Sabin
715-340-3670-Cell
Or 715-445-2097-Home

Visitation Pastor
Marcia Sabin
715-340-5951-Cell



EPHESIANS 1:7

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Your Church Council

Carmen Wetzal, President	(715) 853-7101
Lisa Wollenberg, Treasurer	(920) 525-2024
Jacob Hartlaben, Secretary	(715) 851-1904
Brad Schuelke, Vice President	(920) 659-2402
Bonnie Weyers	(715) 758-2488
Mike Homan	(715) 853-2996

Church Council



The council usually meets the third Wednesday of each month. You are welcome to attend.

The next council meeting will be Wednesday, May 20, 2026 at 6:00 pm.

Message from the Pastor ~ Learning Opportunities



May is approaching and you can sense creation is waking up from its sleep. The trees are beginning to bud; plants are being prepared for their summer display of beauty. We feed our birds all year long on our deck and those that migrate have come home. It's our turn to enjoy them. We sit on the deck and listen to the birds sing. I think of Jesus' teaching his disciples about not to worry.

One example Jesus taught was this; *"Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns and yet your heavenly Father feeds them."* Birds were one of three examples Jesus taught his disciples about worrying. Jesus takes care of the birds. Not one bird falls from the sky without God knowing it. The birds sing their songs and do not worry about what they will eat or where they will dwell that night. God provides for their needs. The songs they sing is what the birds were created to do. This part of creation is a gift from God to us to enjoy their singing, the beauty of each birds' markings and even seeing how a house sparrow or gold finch deal with the bullies who want more than their share of food.

We have three different wood peckers that come to our platform feeder. Last year I witnessed the male, female and baby Cardinal on the deck. Daddy was feeding their baby as mom kept watch. Clearly God is revealed in his creation; clearly showing what he has done.

In Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 there is a sub-section called "Everything has its Time". Verses 1-2; *"For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted."*

No matter what our circumstances may be today, we are to remember; *This is the day that the LORD has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it.* God fills each day with his love, kindness, grace, mercy and forgiveness.

Blessings,

Pastors Marcia and Mark ☩

Learning Opportunities at Ascension

Adult Bible Study

Sunday Mornings at 8:30 am
Monday Evenings at 6:00 pm
Tuesday Mornings *discontinued
until fall*



Confirmation & Children's Sunday School

Wednesday Evenings
discontinued until fall

Come join us! All are welcome.

Assisting Ministers – Birthdays & Anniversaries

Assisting Ministers

May 2026 (9:30 services)	Communion Server	Reader	Money Counter
May 3	Patty Lorenz	Patty Lorenz	Ruthann Meiers
May 10	Pastor Marcia	Toni Klemp	Glen Peebles
May 17	Denelle Daniels	Denelle Daniels	Phyllis Peebles
May 24	Carrie Daoust	Nathan Schley	Rita Olson
May 31	Linda Bubolz	Denise Klemp	<i>Volunteer</i>

If you would like to help out with any of the above tasks, please call the church office (715-758-8312) and we will add your name to the list. If you are unable to be here on the date you are assigned, please find a replacement. Thank you.



Happy Anniversary

5/03 Wally & Amy Krueger (41 years)
 5/05 Phil & Carrie Daoust (53 years)
 5/06 Greg & Faith Ehrle (37 years)
 5/07 Dan & Linda Bubolz (49 years)
 5/10 Lloyd & Ruth Allen (29 years)
 5/22 John & Amy Wudtke (33 years)

Happy Birthday

5/01 Levi Olson
 5/03 Jerald Wetzel
 5/04 Elizabeth Stouffer
 5/08 Janel Wudtke
 5/11 Judy Porter
 5/11 Steve Schinke
 5/12 Adam Peebles
 5/15 Max Sokolski
 5/17 John Wudtke
 5/20 Marvin Larson
 5/20 Barbara Hillsberg
 5/20 Abigail Daniels
 5/21 Sofia Kienast
 5/21 Melissa Tisch
 5/22 Odessa Turnquist
 5/22 Alison Kienast
 5/24 Joseph Stanczak
 5/29 Scott Dingeldein
 5/31 Susan Kauffman
 5/31 Brooklyn Olson



Mark Your Calendars

- **May 3, 2026** - Confirmation Sunday
- **May 11 - 13, 2026** - Brat Fry at Charlie's in Shawano
- **May 31, 2026** - Graduation Sunday
- **August 9-12** (Sunday - Wednesday) - VBS



Loaves & Fishes



FOOD PANTRY

Focus Item for May 2026:
Spam & Tuna

Remember...
it never needs to be a brand name!

Ascension Budget



Council would like the membership to be aware of our financial status on a month to month basis.

Through March 2026:

YTD Income received:	\$32,564.00
Expenses paid out:	\$20,045.17
Income Exceeding Expenses:	\$12,518.83



Maddie Daniels
2nd from right

COMING SOON!!



In the near future, you will be able to make donations to the church using Venmo. Keep an eye out for more information in the weekly bulletins and next month's Visitor!

NARROW ROAD

LIVE @ CUP O JOY

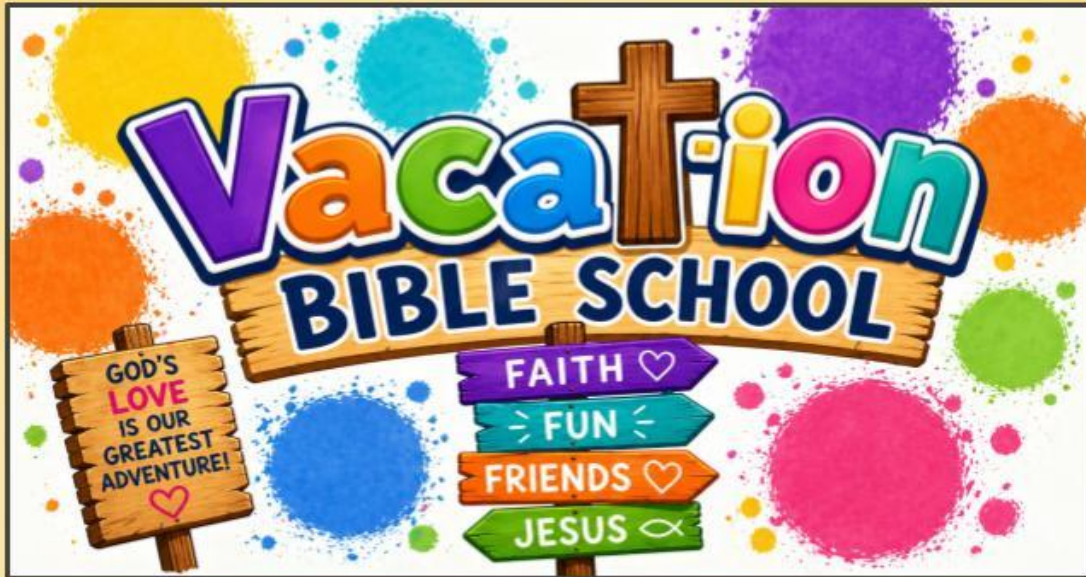
FRI MAY 15 | 7:30P

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ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH



DATES: August 9-12, 2026

6:00 - 7:30 pm

CLOSING PROGRAM:

August 12 at 6:30 pm

Ages Preschool & up
(Grades 5 & up can be helpers)

All Are Welcome!!

To RSVP Call: (920) 572-0583

Fundraising & Scrip Information

March Scrip Report

Cards Sold - 36

Card Sales - \$3,025.00

March Profit - \$182.18

YTD Profit - \$501.28

Inventory - 132 cards - \$7,310.00

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CANDIES

Support our church this May with Scrip!

As we move into May and the busy end-of-school season, it's a great time to keep using scrip for your everyday purchases. Whether you're buying groceries, filling up with gas, or picking up gifts for graduations and special occasions, scrip turns those regular expenses into support for our church.

You still receive the full value of your gift cards and a percentage comes back to help fund our Special Projects - at no extra cost to you.

Scrip is available after services on Sundays.
Thank you for your continued support!

There are VandeWalle's candy bars on the table by the library for sale. The candy bars are \$1.50 each. Please put your money in the envelope in the box.

If you'd like to sell a box at your place of employment or another business, please see Toni Klemp. All profits will go to the Special Projects Fund.

Looking for Thrivent Members

Any Thrivent member is eligible to apply for two \$250 Thrivent action cards per year which can be used as seed money for our fundraisers or for community service projects. We will help you with the application process and completing your final report for any project you may be involved with.

Fundraising Committee

Do you have a fundraising idea? We have a form for you to complete and give to the Fundraising Committee. You can pick up a copy on the back table in Church.

Committee members: Dawn Dingeldein, Ruthann Meiers, Lois Rohrer. Fundraising supports the Church's Special Projects Fund.

Our May Benevolence:



**AFRICA
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Sunday Fellowship ~ VDC ~ Prayer List ~ Online Worship Service Info

Sunday Fellowship

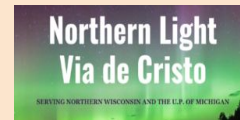
*Everyone is welcome to stay for food and fellowship after worship every Sunday.
A free will donation is accepted.*

- May 3** - Birthday and Confirmation Sunday
Hot Ham Sandwiches
- May 10** - Pizza
- May 17** - Beef Vegetable Soup
And Sandwiches
- May 24** - Hot Dogs
- May 31** - Subs



Via de Cristo News

For information on upcoming VDC weekends please contact Denelle Daniels, Toni Klemp or Darrel Klemp



Prayers for those ill, injured or hospitalized:

- Alice Mueller
- Dave Richter
- Pat Zuiches
- Arnie Kloes
- Russell Kloes
- Beck & Rosie Pues
- Linda Ogi
- Carl Schoettler
- Dave Rohrer
- Jenifer Erb



Online Worship Services

Ascension's website for online services: <https://www.facebook.com/AscensionNavarino>

OR you can find a link to our online services on our website:

<https://www.ascensionavarino.com>

To view past church services: <http://www.youtube.com/@AscensionLutheranChurch-w1>

If you are worshipping at home and would like to follow along with a bulletin, you will find both the Bulletin and Announcement sheet on our website.

The services are also audio-recorded onto CD's when possible and delivered to the homes of those without internet who are unable to attend worship.

If you have something you would like to be included in the "Visitor", please have the information to the church office by the third Sunday of the month.
Thank you!

Church Youth Photos



Easter Family Photos ~ April 5, 2026



Alleluia
He is
Risen



Easter Breakfast ~ April 5, 2026



Easter Breakfast ~ April 5, 2026



Council Minutes

Ascension Lutheran Church Of Navarino Council Meeting Minutes Wednesday, April 22, 2026

Present: Carmen Wetzel, Brad Schuelke, Jake Hartlaben, Lisa Wollenberg, Bonnie Weyers, Mike Homan
Pastor Mark Sabin, Pastor Marcia Sabin Absent: None Guest: Glen Peebles

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by President Carmen Wetzel.

Devotion and Prayer led by Pastor Mark Sabin. ISAIAH Chap. 62 Verses 1-5

Last Month's meeting minutes approved. Motion to accept by Brad and 2nd by Mike. Voice vote passed.

Pastors Report: 5-member home visits with Holy Communion. 3 Youth Confirmation sessions, 3 Tuesday Bible Studies. 2 Easter Sunday services.

Treasurer's report: for March 2026 - Income Received \$12,402.00. \$32,564.00 YTD: \$12,518.83 Income exceeding expenses YTD.

Project Fund Income \$3669.11 received from Eggs, Scrip Cards sold, Towels, Fellowship, Donations, Investment Interest.

Project Fund Expense: \$0

Motion to approve Treasurers report by Bonnie and 2nd by Mike. Voice vote passed.

Old Business:

1. Venmo/Paypal is almost ready to go live. Discussed the 1.9% fee and \$0.10 per transaction fee.
2. Insurance review. 2 new providers working on quotes. Current provider will have quote ready in May. Should have all 3 quotes soon.
3. Scholarship Applications – Received 6 scholarship applications. Payout will be by end of May to all 5 applicants. Council will be reviewing/discussing going back to a yearly scholarship payout vs. 18 months. The finance committee will look at CD rates along with other investments options when the CD matures towards the end of the year.
4. Discussed updating play area and decided to check with insurance carrier to find out about liability.

New Business

1. Pastors announced their plan to retire in May of 2027. Thank You for your time at Ascension!
2. Graduation Sunday will be May 31.
3. Discussed support for flood victims. Willing to donate/ help when more is known what is needed and who needs help.
4. Discussed adding more outlets by kitchen counter and adding another 220v outlet for another deep fryer in the kitchen.
5. Discussed a larger conference table for the meeting room. Gravel for north side of church for LP tank access. Reupholstering the Pews. Removing podium in front of church. Adding handrails for access to stage area in front of church for communion. Tabled for next month.

Committee Updates:

- Gas Card for Steve Jensen for snow plowing.

Next Council Meeting: May 20th 6PM.

Adjournment- Motion by Mike 2nd by Jake. Voice vote passed

Respectfully submitted by Jake Hartlaben, Secretary.

**Church Council
Meeting Minutes**

My Thoughts in Words
By The Church Lady

I Want to Go Back

I want to go back to when my children were little. Back when the house was a mess, dirty dishes cluttered the counters and laundry baskets were overflowing with dirty clothes. When all I could do was survive from one day to the next, exhausted, yet happy and content. There was always something more important to do than clean, wash the dishes or do the laundry. There were three needy children who needed my time and attention and I was more than happy to give them all the love I could muster. They were always home and peace and quiet only happened after they all went to bed. Those were some really exhausting years, but I want to go back because I don't think I treasured them enough.

I want to go back to when my children were in grade school. When we'd sit together and work on homework or special projects. We'd eat together and watch our favorite tv shows together. When they were getting more self-sufficient, yet still needed me. And when they weren't at school they were home. My heart was happy and I never really considered how fast those years would go. I want to go back because I don't think I treasured them enough.

I want to go back to the middle and early high school years. When the activities took the children away in the evenings and I was their sole chauffeur. Thankfully, they weren't too busy but it seemed there was always someone to take somewhere: horse lessons, extra band rehearsals, pep band performances and concerts, parades, soccer practices and games, confirmation classes and friends' houses... I look back and wonder how I got them all where they needed to be on any given day and I'm thankful for the friends and family that helped me out along the way. The busy-ness made the house lively and while I was busy (and tired all the time), I enjoyed the activities that took me away from home. I was a present parent and I wanted my children to know I loved and supported them. Yes, those were busy years, but I want to go back because I don't think I treasured them enough.

Now, my house is quiet and relatively clean. There's still laundry and dishes to do but not to the extent when there were 5 people living in the house. My evenings are usually quiet and relaxing. There are no classes, lessons, games or concerts to go to. I enjoy my "me" time and wonder how I survived without it for so many years. Still, I want to go back. If I could do it all over again, I'd make sure to take the time to treasure all the minutes, hours, days and years with my children. Maybe if I did go back and live those years a second time, knowing now how fast the years fly by, just maybe I'd be able to treasure them enough.

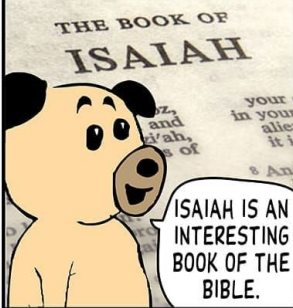
Wishing all the Moms reading this a Happy Mothers Day!

Denise

This & That

PRAYER PUPS BY JEFFREY SMITH

CON'S BIG BIBLE FACTS



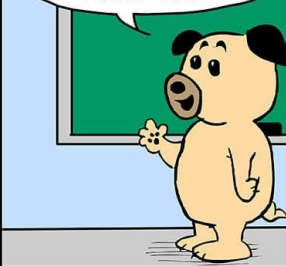
FIRST, ISAIAH'S CONSTRUCTED JUST LIKE THE BIBLE: THERE ARE 66 BOOKS IN THE BIBLE AND 66 CHAPTERS IN ISAIAH. THE FIRST 39 BOOKS OF THE BIBLE DEAL MAINLY WITH ISRAEL, AS DO THE FIRST 39 CHAPTERS OF ISAIAH.



THE LAST 27 BOOKS OF THE BIBLE CONCERN THE LIFE AND COMING OF JESUS CHRIST, AS DO THE LAST 27 CHAPTERS OF ISAIAH. IN FACT, THESE 27 CHAPTERS OF THE OLD TESTAMENT PREDICT JESUS, LISTING MORE THAN 20 THINGS ABOUT HIM THAT CAME TRUE!



WHAT DOES ALL THIS MEAN? BEATS ME, BUT IT'S PRETTY DARNED NEAT!



THE BIBLE IS WONDERFUL AND AMAZING THING... BUT WHY WOULD GOD WRITE ANYTHING LESS?

Life is like a camera...

- Focus on what's important.
- Capture the good times.
- Develop from the negatives.

And if things don't work out, take another shot.

Bible Word Search: BOOKS OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

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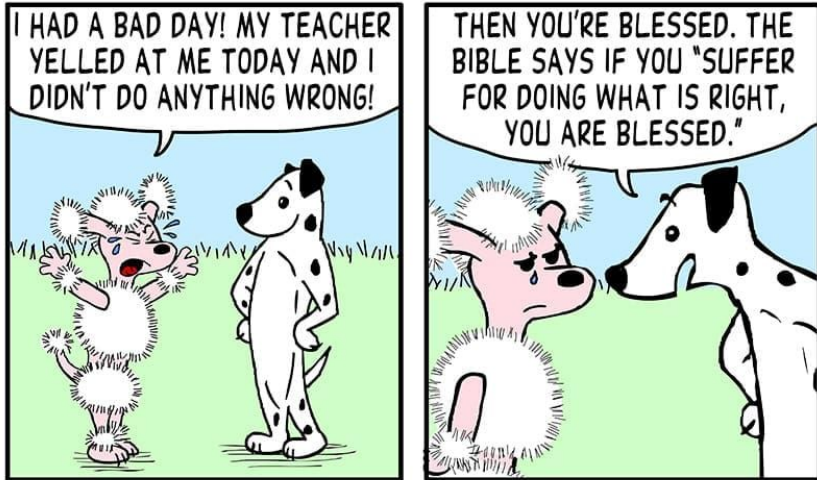
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Jesus Calms the Storm-Mark 4:40

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PRAYER PUPS BY JEFFREY SMITH



ALWAYS DO WHAT IS RIGHT, EVEN WHEN NO ONE KNOWS YOU DID IT...BECAUSE GOD KNOWS!

Why was the butter so slippery? *It was on a roll.*

What did the bread say to the butter? *You're my butter half.*

Why shouldn't you tell eggs any jokes? *They might crack up.*

What meal do astronauts eat after breakfast and before dinner? *Launch.*

Where do rabbits eat breakfast? *IHOP.*

Be
joyful
 in hope,
PATIENT
 in affliction,
fAiThFuL
 in prayer.

- Romans 12:12

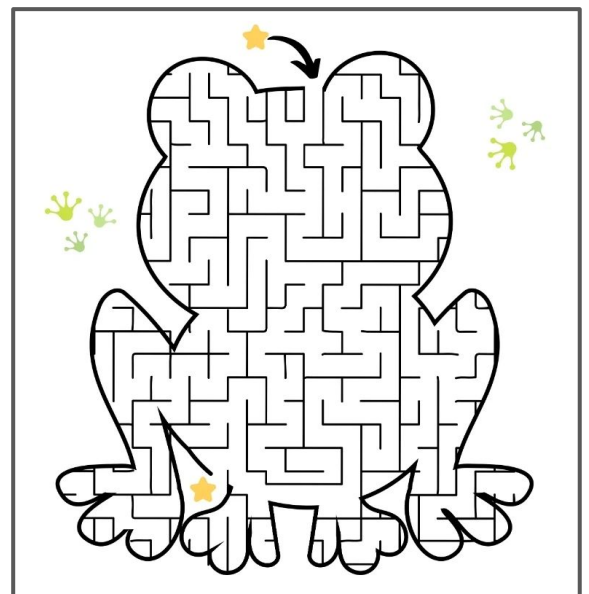


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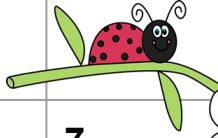

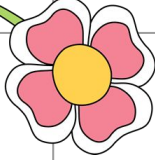

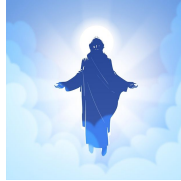


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| GARDEN | SHOWERS |
| JACKET | SPRING |
| LADYBUG | UMBRELLA |
| MARCH | |





May 2026



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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3 <i>5th Sunday of Easter</i> 8:30am Bible Study 9:30am Worship with Confirmation Birthday Sunday	4 6:00pm Bible Study 	5	6	7 	8	9
10 <i>6th Sunday of Easter</i> 8:30 am Bible Study 9:30am Worship Fellowship meal - Pizza	11 6:00pm Bible Study 8:00am-5:00 pm Brat Fry	12 8:00am-5:00 pm Brat Fry 	13 8:00am-5:00pm Brat Fry	14 <i>Ascension Day</i> 	15	16
17 <i>7th Sunday of Easter</i> 8:30am Bible Study 9:30am Worship Service Fellowship Meal - Soup & Sandwiches	18 6:00pm Bible Study	19	20 4-6pm Loaves and Fishes 6:00pm Council Meeting	21 	22	23 9-11 am Loaves and Fishes
24 <i>Day of Pentecost</i> 8:30am Bible Study 9:30am Worship Service Fellowship Meal - Hot Dogs	25 <i>Memorial Day</i> 	26	27	28 <i>Hello</i> MAY	29	30
31 <i>Holy Trinity</i> 8:30am Bible Study 9:30am Worship Service Fellowship Meal - Subs				