

February 8, 2026

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Ascension Lutheran Church of Navarino

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

JESUS HEALS A LEPER

Mark 1:40-45



Prelude, Welcome, Greeting and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(Time for Personal Reflection and Confession)

P: I invite you to join me as we confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Gracious Father, we realize that we are gripped by sin and that we are unable to resolve this problem. We find that many of our thoughts are selfish, many of our words are hurtful, and many of our actions are self-serving. Our lives are not fully committed to following your will on a daily basis. We regularly do spiteful things to the people closest to us in life. We easily overlook the needs of many we encounter as we hurriedly go from one thing to another. We pray for forgiveness and a new start because of your love as we know it in Jesus.

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Song of Praise *“Great Things”*

Prayer of the Day - Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Bible Lessons: Deuteronomy 4:9-14
 Psalm 112:1-9
 Romans 2:17-27

Gospel Lesson: Mark 1:40-45

Message

by Pastor Sabin

Song of Praise

"I Love to Tell the Story"

Hymn #390

Apostles' Creed - I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

P: Now may the peace of the Lord be with you all!

C: And also with you!

Prayers of the People of God

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

"Lord Listen" (to be sung before the prayers)

(Following each petition, the Pastor may use the following words:)

P: Lord, in your faithfulness,

C: Hear our prayer.

Victory Celebration

P: The Lord is with you!

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up unto the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I will sing your praise. I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your love and faithfulness. For you have glorified your name and your word above all things. When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me. (Psalm 138:1-3)

"Awesome God"

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer - Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

Communion Distribution

Post-Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen

Post-Communion Prayer - Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

C: Amen.

Sending Song *“All the People Said Amen”*

Sending

P: Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

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

Postlude

THE WORSHIP HAS ENDED, OUR SERVICE BEGINS!

COMMUNION FOR ALL BAPTIZED!!!

All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in, with and under the forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. Gluten free wafers and white grape juice are available upon request.

****Please place your offering in the collection plate at the back of the sanctuary as you enter or exit.****

February 8, 2026 9:30 AM Worship Service	February 15, 2026 9:30 AM Worship Service
Communion: Patty Lorenz	Communion: Linda Bubolz
Reader: Patty Lorenz	Reader: Toni Klemp
Money Counter: Rita Olson	Money Counter: Phyllis Peebles
Altar Care: Jean Conradt	Altar Care: Jean Conradt

If you are unable to be here on the date you are assigned, please find a replacement. Thank you.

February 8 - 15, 2026 Announcements

TODAY, FEBRUARY 8

8:30 am - Bible Study
 9:30 am - Worship Service
 Fellowship Meal - Scalloped Potatoes & Ham

FEBRUARY 9 (Mon.)

6:00 pm Bible Study
 7:30 pm Dartball at Black Creek Lutheran

FEBRUARY 10 (Tues.)

9:00 am Bible Study

FEBRUARY 11 (Wed.)

6:30 pm Confirmation and Church School

FEBRUARY 14 (Sat.)

Happy Valentine's Day!!

FEBRUARY 15 (Sun.)

8:30 am - Bible Study
 9:30 am - Worship Service
 Fellowship Meal - Chili

Welcome to all visitors!
 Thank you for worshipping with us today.
 Please sign the guestbook in the entryway.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

- ❖ **Wednesday, February 18, 2026 -**
 - Soup Supper at 6:00 pm
- ❖ **Wednesday, February 18, 2026 -**
 - Ash Wednesday Worship at 7:00 pm
- ❖ **Friday, March 27, 2026 -**
 - Fish Fry

LENTEN SOUP SUPPER

****Every Wednesday during Lent****
 February 18, 25, March 4, 11, 18 & 25
 at 6:00 pm (Wednesday Lenten Services follow at 7:00 pm)

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

Ascension Lutheran Church
 of Navarino

Lent Begins

ASH WEDNESDAY

February 18, 2026

Join us for worship at 7:00 pm

Cheryl's Old Fashioned
Fish Fry

Friday, March 27, 2026
11:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Menu:
 Deep-fried fish (Pollock)
 Baked Potato or Potato Salad
 Coleslaw
 Fresh Baked Rye Bread
 Dessert
\$15 per plate
A Thrivent Team Action Fundraiser

6th Annual

Dine-In or Take-Out
Pre-orders Preferred
 Call to order by 3/16/26

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 Corner of 156 & McDonald Rd

Call in or Email (IN ADVANCE) your order:
 Church Office: 715-758-8312 / ascensionavarino@gmail.com
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 "Day of" call-in orders accepted while supplies last.

****ATTENTION ALL 2nd YEAR COLLEGE STUDENTS****

Ascension Lutheran Church has a scholarship fund that may be available to you. Applications are available in the church office and are due **March 17, 2026**.



Share the Love This February with Scrip

February is a month focused on love, kindness, and caring for others—and scrip is a simple way to put those values into action. When you purchase scrip gift cards for groceries, gas, dining, or everyday shopping, you receive the full value of the card while our church receives a portion back from the retailer. Thank you for sharing the love and supporting our church this February!

PRAYER
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Prayer List

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



Prayers for the Congregation

The Champions of Prayer are hoping that you will join us in praying for every member of our Ascension Family. Each Sunday we will list the names of those you should hold up in prayer for the week. The power of prayer is amazing and we know we will see and feel the love of others on the day we are prayed for. We invite you to join us in our prayer walk and daily conversations with God.

2nd Week of February

Sunday: Corina Mueller, Jack Johnson, Lisa Wollenberg, Toni Klemp, Amy Wudtke, Ken Tisch
Monday: Cynthia Garrigan, Jackie Echnert, Phyllis Peebles, Odessa Turnquist, Scott Daniels, Dean Rueden
Tuesday: Angie Johnson, Darrel Klemp, Jacob Hartlaben, Lloyd Allen, Alison Kienast, Amy Krueger
Wednesday: Laurie Anderson, Ryan Mueller, Lloyd Allen, Jr, Luke Olson, Alecia Johnson, Linda Bubolz
Thursday: Arnie Kloes, David Hoberg, Janel Wudtke, Lois Rohrer, Ralph Mueller, Kasen Homan,
Friday: Autumn Lorenz, David Richter, Jason Steinbach, Lon Hilliker, Riley Allen, Quinn Hartlaben
Saturday: Ruth Allen, David Rohrer, Jean Conradt, Lucas Steinbach, Rita Olson, Nora Riebe, Nathan Schley

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Our Mission Statement:

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Church Office Hours:

Tuesday 1:00-5:00 pm