

2025 Ascension Lutheran Christmas Program

Sunday, December 14, 2025
9:30 a.m.

Prelude

Processional Song "Angels We Have Heard on High"

Welcome and Announcements

Advent Candle Ceremony *Luke 2:8-12* *Shepherds' Candle/Joy*

Song "Light One Candle"

Offering - Put in basket as you enter or exit.

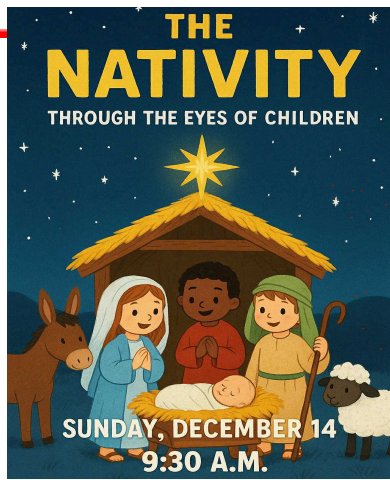
Prayers of the People of God "Lord Listen" (To be sung before the prayers)
Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

The Lord's Prayer

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

Bible Lesson Isaiah 9:2-7

Song "Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful"



Grandma Carrol has sprained her ankle and unfortunately isn't able to attend the children's Christmas Program this year. After the program, she hears the children explain all about it, but sadly, they initially say nothing about the REAL story of Christmas...

Setting the stage: Grandma Carrol's Living Room

The Nativity:

1. Angel
2. Mary
3. Joseph
4. Donkey
5. Stable with Animals
6. Shepherds & Sheep
7. Kings, Camels & Star
8. Baby Jesus
9. Birthday Cake

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JESUS!

Closing Song

"Go Tell It On The Mountain"



Cast:

Grandma Carol

Carrigan Hartlaben

Angel

Tori Hogan

Mary

Everly Homan

Joseph

Elliot Peeters

Donkey

Brooklyn Olson

Stable

Ezra Erb

Animals

Brady Olson

Luke Olson

Ray Leeman

Shepherds

Kasen Homan

Eyan Peeters

Kings

Levi Olson

Emily Bushie

Jack Bushie

Camel

Ray Leeman

Star

Kendra Scott

Baby Jesus

Brady Scott

Music & Technology

Darrel, Toni & Denise Klemp

Maddie & Denelle Daniels

Tia Bestul

John Wudtke

Costumes, Props, Assistants:

Quinn Hartlaben

Emmy Hartlaben

Kris Jensen

Rita Olson

Pastor Mark Sabin



December 14 - 21, 2025 Announcements

TODAY, DECEMBER 14

8:00 am - Christmas
Program Practice
8:30 am - Bible Study
9:30 am - Worship
Service *with*
Christmas Program

After Worship:

- ★ Christmas Candy Sale
- ★ Fellowship meal: Hot
Dogs and Mac &
Cheese



DECEMBER 15 (Mon.)

6:30 pm - Bible Study

DECEMBER 16 (Tues)

NO Bible Study
Church Office closed

DECEMBER 17 (Wed.)

4-6 pm - Loaves & Fishes
6:00 pm - Council Meeting
6:30 pm - Church School

DECEMBER 20 (Sat.)

9-11 am - Loaves & Fishes

DECEMBER 21 (Sun.)

8:30 am - Bible Study
9:30 am - Worship Service
Fellowship Meal - Ham & Egg
Salad Sandwiches



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

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

- ❖ **Wednesday, December 24 -**
 - Christmas Eve Service at
4:00 pm
- ❖ **Sunday, December 28 -**
 - Lessons and Carols Worship
Service at 9:30 am
- ❖ **Sunday, January 18, 2026 -**
 - Annual Meeting and Potluck after
worship
- ❖ **Saturday, January 31, 2026 -**
 - Pizza Making



2025 Christmas Program

"THE NATIVITY -

Christmas Through the Eyes of Children" -

Thank you to all who took part in our
Christmas Program this year. We hope you
enjoyed the show!



Birthday Sundays are changing to the first
Sunday of each month starting with January 2026.



Attention Committee Chairs

All committee reports for the Annual Meeting
need to be emailed to Denise in the church
office by Monday, January 6, 2025. Thank you!

SCRIP Cards

As you prepare for Christmas gift-giving, consider using **scrip gift cards** for family, friends, teachers and stocking stuffers. Scrip cards make wonderful presents - and every card you purchase also supports our Special Projects Fund. You receive the full value of each gift card, and the church receives a bonus from the retailer. It's an easy way to stretch your Christmas generosity even further. Thank you for helping our church shine a little brighter this Christmas season! See Carrie, Rita or Denise if you'd like to purchase some scrip cards.



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, The Family of Sally Richter



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 December

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

<u>December 14, 2025</u> 9:30 AM Worship Service and Christmas Program	<u>December 21, 2025</u> 9:30 AM Worship Service	<u>CHRISTMAS EVE</u> <u>Tuesday, December 24, 2025</u> 4:00 PM Worship Service
Communion: No Communion Reader: No Reader Money Counter: Glen Peebles Altar Care: Jean Conradt	Communion: Linda Bubolz Reader: Chris Schley Money Counter: Phyllis Peebles Altar Care: Jean Conradt	Communion: Pastor Marcia Sabin Reader: Denelle Daniels Money Counter: --- Altar Care: Jean Conradt

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

Our Mission Statement:

"Joyfully, we invite and equip all people to share Christ's Love"

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Church Office Hours:

Tuesday 1:00-5:00 pm