



In Our Prayers This Week



Throughout the week, please keep these people in your daily prayers. As a model for prayer, consider going through the **A.C.T.S. of prayer**. **Adoration**: praising God for who He is. **Confession**: confessing your sins to God, especially those that weigh on your heart. **Thanksgiving**: thanking God for specific blessings. **Supplication**: asking God for help.

For those who are homebound • Val Rakey, Paul and Barb Jones, Sharon Estes, Wanda Bollinger, Randy Skaggs, Doug Arnold, Doris Bayuk, Nick Krege, Caryl Phillips.

For healing and continued recovery • Paula Dustman (broken leg), Jasmine (sister of Ben, Rachel Schremp's friend, undergoing tests following a seizure), Pansy Meyer (back pain), Tammy Keir (Mike Keir's sister, recovering from stomach surgery), Bill Staffen (Bonnie Keir's brother, recovering from kidney surgery), Glenn Fluegge (recovering from surgery), Dustin Hutson (recovering from a brain bleed), Olivia (Betty Schremp's great-niece, recovering from a concussion), John Hart (Sherry Glaeser's friend, whose cancer has returned and also has leukemia), Emmalyn Ganey (Cathy Dew's granddaughter, ill), Pastor Jim Kirk (treatment for myeloma), Mike Fitzsimmons (chronic prostatitis, pelvic pain), Sue Schweiss (Cathy Dew's sister, back problems), Sue Steiger (cancer, hospice), Race and Clarissa (Connie Schwent's niece's children).

For those celebrating birthdays in May • Annette Rolfe (May 3), Pansy Meyer (May 15), Linda Ruzicka (May 18), Laverne Fitzsimmons (May 21), Vicky Surman (May 21), Maryann Roth (May 23), Lance Meyer (May 27).

For those celebrating wedding anniversaries in May • Ben & LuJune Rottler (May 26).

For those who mourn.

For local, state, and national elected officials • that they uphold goodness and work humbly for those they serve.

For our community • that more people believe the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

For our circuit congregations.

For our church family • that we are transformed in Christ to share the hope of eternal life.

For missionaries • Angela Steinbacher.

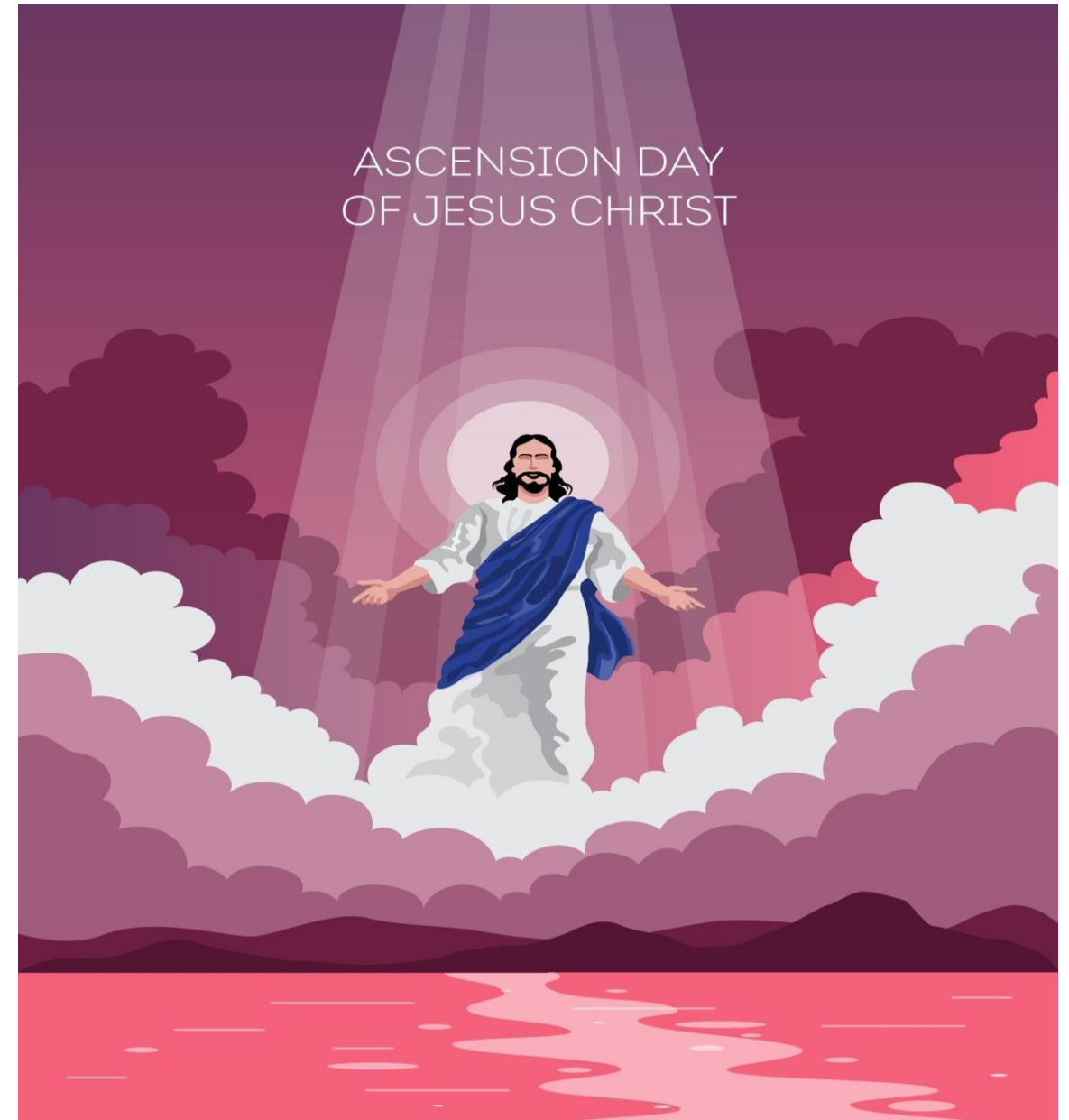
For all prayer requests not listed here.

If you desire a prayer request to be printed in the bulletin, please let Pastor Craig or the church office know by email or phone by noon on Wednesday. Other prayer requests may still be prayed for during the church service by writing the request on the attendance card, folding your card in half, and giving it to an usher or placing it in the offering plate. Additionally, if you would like a prayer request removed, please talk to Pastor Craig, or contact the church office. Please note that if no update is given after a month, the prayer request will be removed from the list.



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TO SHARE THE HOPE OF ETERNAL LIFE.

THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD
MAY 21, 2023





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The Ascension of Our Lord (observed) May 21, 2023

Welcome to Holy Cross! We're glad you're here!

A cordial welcome to our guests and visitors! Come back and worship with us again!

As We Gather • Ascension Day is an opportunity for God's people to celebrate Christ the King taking His throne in glory, honor, and authority at God the Father's right hand. Like the ancient believers, who clapped their hands and shouted praises to God at the coronation of their king, we rejoice in the victory King Jesus earned for us, His people, by means of His death and resurrection. Our praises keep rolling from our Easter celebration some forty days ago, all the way to today and even beyond, as we witness Jesus now seated in glory and majesty. Shout your praises to God! The same King who is exalted over all things in heaven and on earth is the King who stoops to serve us as we gather to worship Him!

The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God by Vicky and Bill Surman in celebration of Vicky's birthday.

A sign-up sheet is on the back table for the Honey Festival on June 24. Please mark if you would like to work inside or outside. If you have any questions, contact Bonnie Zerwig.

A sign-up sheet is also on the back table for volunteers to water the flowers outside. Our thanks to Sherry and Steve Glaeser for supplying the beautiful plants.

We are collecting toilet paper tubes, old CDs, and fabric. These are needed items for projects at the upcoming festivals. Please place these items in the back of the sanctuary. Thank you!

Next Sunday is the Day of Pentecost. Wear something red if you would like.

Our Father's Business

SUNDAY May 21	TUESDAY May 23	NEXT SUNDAY May 28
9:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE Holy Communion BIBLE CLASS after the service	10:30 AM TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS	9:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE The Day of Pentecost Holy Communion BIBLE CLASS after the service

Your Financial Support of Your Church	5/14/23	Year-to-Date
Weekly Budget Requirement	\$2,953	\$59,060
Actual Offerings—including online offerings (budget)	\$2,680	\$55,472
Ahead/Behind Budget Requirement	-\$273	-\$3,588
% Ahead/Behind	-9.2%	-6.1%



Baby Bottle Campaign

Your change can save lives at the Center for Life - Ste. Genevieve and Perryville! Take your baby bottle home on Mother's Day, fill it with change (bills and checks work too!), and return it on Father's Day (June 18). You can also give online by scanning the QR code on the stand or by visiting www.centerforlifemo.org.

Would you like to give flowers on the altar? Upcoming Sundays available: **June 4, July 23, July 30, all of August.** Please clearly print your name and occasion on the flower chart on the wall by the narthex above the water fountain. On an envelope, write "Flower Fund"; put \$20 inside; and place it in the offering plate.