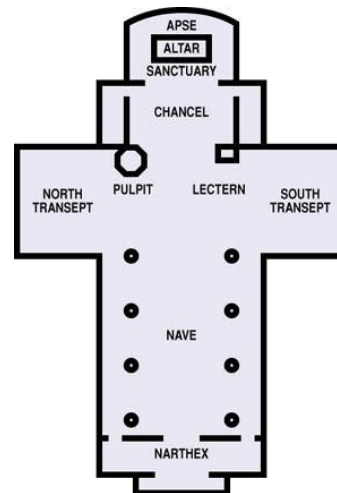




"We are ambassadors who represent Christ." – 2 Corinthians 5:20

# This Week at Ascension

## Your Monthly Christina Formation Moment



The traditional church floor plan is descended from the cathedrals of medieval Europe and is cross-shaped. The congregation faces east to the rising sun. The nave (Latin for "ship") is where the congregation sits. There may also be seating areas in the transepts. The choir is seated in the chancel. In Protestant churches the pulpit and lectern are often transposed, or a single furnishing, called an ambo (sometimes placed in the middle), serves as a location for both reading and preaching.

[Link to Service Leaflets for  
May 7](#)

[Link to Alfred Wasikye's One  
Ascension Sunday Sermon](#)

[Link to the Episcopal Diocese  
of Washington's Website](#)

### Calendar Highlights

#### Friday, May 5

1:00 p.m.	Al-Anon—Library
6:00 p.m.	Couples 12-Step Program—Room 1
6:30 p.m.	<b>Movie Night— Undercroft Commons</b>

#### Saturday, May 6

9:00 a.m.	Overeaters Anonymous—Chapel
11:00 a.m.	Al-Anon—Undercroft Commons
11:00 a.m.	Overeaters Anonymous—Room 1

#### Sunday, May 7

7:45 a.m.	<b>Holy Eucharist—Main Church</b>
8:15 a.m.	<b>Choir Rehearsal — Choir Room</b>
9:00 a.m.	<b>Holy Eucharist—Main Church</b>
9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.	<b>Godly Play—Room 6</b>
9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.	<b>Joyful Path—Room 11</b>
10:15 a.m.	<b>Service for Young Children— Chapel</b>
11:00 a.m.	<b>Misa en Espanol— Chapel</b>

11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist—Main Church  
11:15 a.m. Family with Young Children Small Group—Library  
12:30 p.m. Acolyte Training—Main Church  
5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist—Chapel

### Monday, May 8

11:30 a.m. Living with Chronic Illness—Room 1  
1:00 p.m. Al-Anon—Library  
6:30 p.m. Overeaters Anonymous—Room 4  
7:00 p.m. Listening Hearts Community—Library

### Tuesday, May 9

7:00 a.m. Mobile Med—Chapel  
6:00 p.m. Spanish Bible Study—Ascension House  
7:00 p.m. Codependents Anonymous—Room 1  
7:00 p.m. Stillwater Mindfulness Group—Chapel  
8:30 p.m. Al-Anon—Room 1

### Wednesday, May 10

1:00 p.m. Al-Anon—Library  
7:00 p.m. Overeaters Anonymous—Room 1  
8:00 p.m. Gamblers' Anonymous—Chapel

### Thursday, May 11

4:00 p.m. Tai Chi—Chapel

[Link to our Online Calendar](#)

-adapted from <http://www.planetgast.net/symbols/floorplan/floorplan.html>

## Congregational Grant for Growth 2017-2018

I received word from Canon Joey Rick that the Diocesan Council voted at its last meeting on Tuesday the 2nd to renew our Grant for Growth for \$20,000 to help us fund Javier's ministry in and through Ascension, from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018! - RAL

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## Randy on Leave

I will be at clergy conference (with my colleague Javier and many others) at the Claggett Conference Center from Monday through Wednesday of next week. Then I will be taking 2 weeks of my annual leave from Sunday, May 14th through Saturday, May 27th. Javier, whose contact info is on page 4 of this bulletin, will be on call for emergencies.

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## Jason's Ordination

Ascension I would like to thank you for a wonderful year with you all. You are a gift.

I also want to let you know what I am doing next. First, we move to Minneapolis in May. I begin work at "The Dignity Center" (a center that works to

assist people from homelessness to stability), I will be a pastoral presence there for the summer. I will keep you posted as a more permanent placement develops.

On June 10th I would invite you to join me in person or prayer for my ordination to the transitional diaconate. The service will be held at "Episcopal Church of the Epiphany" (3301 Hidden Meadow Dr. Herndon, VA 20171) at 10:30 a.m. As is our motto: All are welcome.

Blessings to you all from Cecily, Jason, Soren and Henning Cutshall.

#### **HEADLINERS**

["One Ascension/Youth Sunday" was a Hit!](#)

[Ascension 2017 Cookbook Update](#)

[Education for Ministry 2017-2018](#)

[Acolyte Training](#)

[Wednesday Morning Book Group - in](#)

[Recess until May 31](#)

[Baptisms on the Day of Pentecost](#)

#### **LIFELONG LEARNING**

[Small Group for Families with Young Children](#)

[Thursday Afternoon Tai Chi Class](#)

[Yoga At Ascension](#)

[Listening Heart Community](#)

[Still Water Mindfulness Practice Group](#)

[Godly Play](#)

[A Joyful Path](#)

[Youth Group Spring Schedule](#)

#### **WORSHIP**

[Worship Rosters, April-June](#)

## **CARING FOR OUR COMMUNITY**

[Ministerio Felicidad](#)

[Men's Shelter Lunch Preparation](#)

[The Lord's Table Soup Kitchen](#)

[Gaithersburg HELP](#)

[Mobile Med](#)

## **LIFE AT ASCENSION**

[Prayer Request Updates](#)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

[May Ascendant](#)

[2017 Annual Report](#)

[Together We Shine](#)

## **Prayers**

For Those Whose Lives are Closely Linked With Ours: The Parish of St. Monica and St. James, St. Philip's Church, Laurel, St. Philip the Evangelist Church, St. Philip's Church, Baden, St. Philip's Child Development Center, National Day of Prayer (May 4)

## **Pray for Comfort, Healing, Courage, and Hope:**

Sandy, John, Peg, Nadir, Carol, Mary, John, Elinor, Joseph, Kirk, Sally, William, James, Christine, Margaret Joseph, Margaret Mirin, Al and Julie, Warren, Home, Nancy, Fran, Tom, Suzanne, María, Jeanine, Elvia, Martin, Ana, Erick, María, Camila, Jaime, Ernesto, Delfin and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

We pray for peace in the world and all who are serving our country here and abroad, especially those in harm's way, and their families.

Equip us and empower us to be witnesses to your love – as advocates and as servants, as ministers of welcome and of hope for refugees and all affected by natural disasters, violence, and war.

We pray for all special intentions, and those on our extended Healing Prayer List.

<b>Worship Leaders</b>			
<b>Sunday, May 7</b>			
Preacher: Randy Lord-Wilkinson			
<b>7:45 AM</b>			
Reader/Prayers:	Jean Cohn		
Chalicians:	David Burton, Edna Leake		
Healing Prayer:	Jean Cohn		
Acolytes:	Raymon Chin, Aidan Douglas		
Welcome Team:	Enid Cole, Wadai Dennis		
Altar Guild:	Enid Cole, Mardia Dennis		
Hospitality Angel:	Lisa and Herald Douglas		
<b>9:00 AM</b>			
Reader:	John Pruessner, Sue Snay		
Prayer:	Susan Ahalt		
Chalicians:	Sari Stoddard, Bob Waters		
Healing Prayer:	Paul Whitmore		
Acolytes:	Nuelle Johnson, Manny Johnson, Paul Whitmore		
Welcome Team:::	Dorett Sutherland, James Black, Jonathan Black		
Altar Guild:	TBA		
Hospitality Angels:	Joyce Bvumbe		
<b>11:15 AM</b>			
Reader:	Karl Didavi		
Healing Prayer:	Peg Ruppel		

Welcome Team	Sciou Broderick, Peedy Terry, Emmanuel Nwankwo			
Altar Guild:	Anika Lalmansingh, Avin Lalmansingh			
Chalicerist:	Christian Nwankwo, Sarah Rubin			
Song Leader:	Alice Benson			
Hospitality Angel:	Penelope Cudjoe			
Eucharistic Visitor:	Javier Ocampo			
Flower Delivery:	Esther Sawyer, Adoma Baffoe			