

**Ascension Church is celebrating
50 years of ministry in 2009.**

The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Ascension, Northfield, Illinois, was founded in 1959 as a mission congregation of the Augustana Lutheran Church. As we celebrate our first 50 years of ministry in the Northfield community, we remember the past with great gratitude. We have known the gift of faith and the blessings of thousands of faithful people.

Even as we celebrate our heritage, we prepare to serve joyfully in future days. The congregation's 50th Anniversary Jubilee Celebration will fill an entire year, from Ascension Day 2009 to 2010. Future, current and former members and friends of Ascension Church will have the opportunity to connect and reconnect. . . to take a step together on our collective faith journey. We trust there is something here for everyone. See you in church!

Worship MUSIC
JUBILEE
Education Ministries
SERVICE PROJECTS
FELLOWSHIP Mission

Join in the celebration!

The year-long celebration will include activities for all ages, so please bring the whole family to the 50th Anniversary worship services and events!

For more information about a specific event or to find out how you can help with any of the year's events, please

- go online to www.Ascension-Church.org and click the '50th Anniversary' tab
- call the church office at 847-446-8335, Monday - Friday, 9am - 5pm
- email info@Ascension-Church.org

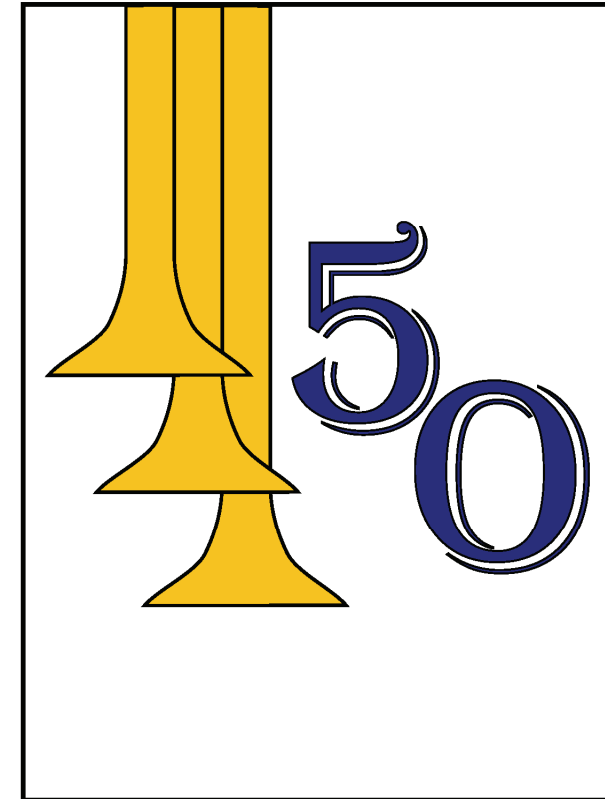


**Evangelical Lutheran
Church of the Ascension**

Worship Services at 9:00am & 11:15am
Christian Education at 10:15am
(September - May)

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Jubilee



*Evangelical Lutheran
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Celebrating 50 years of ministry in Northfield

A year-long celebration . . .

Sunday, May 17, 2009

50th Anniversary

Jubilee Celebration begins

9:00 and 11:15 am worship
Stephen Ministry commissioning
Recognition of choir members
10:00 am Intergenerational brunch
and program
Opening of Wall of Remembrances

Wednesday, May 27 — Saturday, May 30

50th Anniversary Pictorial Directory

Photography

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday,
3:00 - 9:00 pm
Saturday, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
No sitting fee, everyone is invited
Make an appointment using the link on the
church website or call the church office

Saturday, June 20

Ravinia with Garrison Keillor

A Prairie Home Companion

Live National Radio Broadcast

Share an evening with Ascension's family
Gates open at 3:00 pm
Broadcast at 4:45 pm
Purchase lawn and pavilion tickets at
www.Ravinia.org

Sunday afternoon, July 19, 3:00 p.m.

**Wendella Boat Tour — Lake Michigan and
the Chicago River**

Bring the family and join Ascension
friends for a delightful afternoon cruise.
Reservations required—sign up at church
or call the office. Meet at church or at
the dock (northwest corner of Michigan
Avenue and the Chicago River).

Sunday, September 13

Rally Day

Worship on the church lawn —
outdoor activities and food for all ages.
Invite your friends and neighbors!

Saturday, October 3, 4:30 pm

Organists in Concert

Recital by Ascension organist Minkyoo
Shin and former organists Jill S. Hunt,
Bob Lind, and Rev. Patrick Shebeck

October 17

Congregational Service Project

In celebration of 50 years of ministry,
let's invite 50 friends to join in this
hands-on service project at Ascension
Church

Saturday, November 14, 6:00 pm

50th Anniversary Dinner

Glen View Club

Sunday, November 15, 10:00 am

50th Anniversary Worship

Former Metropolitan Chicago Synod
Bishop Kenneth Olsen preaching
Special offering for mission
25th Anniversary time capsule opening

Sunday, November 29

50th Anniversary time capsule sealing
between worship services

Saturday, December 12, 4:30 pm

Advent-Christmas Concert

Intergenerational concert presented by
Ascension's choirs and gifted guest
musicians

Monday, January 18, 2010

Martin Luther King, Jr. Service Day

Multiple opportunities for all ages to
take part in this national day of
service in the community

Saturday, March 13

Martin and Katie Luther Productions

Come for pot-luck supper and meet
Martin & Katie Luther, historically
and humorously portrayed by
Pastor Johan Hinderlie and his
wife Sonja

Sunday, May 16

Ascension Day celebrated

50th Anniversary Celebration
concludes as the congregation
rededicates itself to its mission and
ministries

September 12-22

Oberammergau Passion Play 2010

Reservations are being accepted for
this 11-day European tour featuring
the Oberammergau Passion Play and
Lutheran heritage sites in Germany.
Space is limited to the first 20
participants. Pick up a brochure at
church or email [Gail@Ascension-
Church.org](mailto:Gail@Ascension-Church.org) for details.

