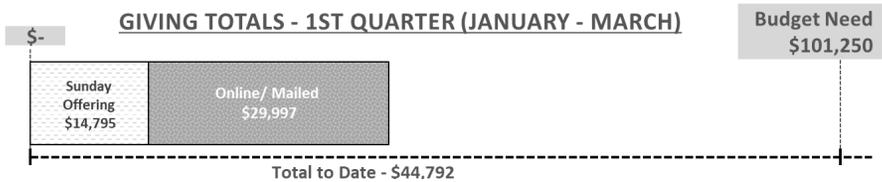


**THE GREAT ESCAPE YOUTH RETREAT:** Middle and high school students - don't miss an unforgettable weekend at Lake Champion, NY, Friday, February 27–Sunday, March 1! Grow in faith, build friendships, and enjoy fun winter activities. Cost: \$215 per camper. Contact Roseann at roseannkytka@gmail.com for details.

**MEMBERS PRAYER MEETING:** Join us the third Sunday of each month at 10 am to pray for our country, our church, and personal needs. Email Sibernie Morrison at morrisonsibernie@yahoo.com or indicate your interest on the Connection Card.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** For the month of May, the study will meet on the first Sunday of the month. Meets on the second Sunday of every month in person and over Zoom unless otherwise noted. For more information, contact Suzanne Muench at munchkinnc@gmail.com or indicate your interest on the Connection Card.



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# ASCENSION CHURCH

## Sunday, February 22

First Sunday in Lent



*We abide in Christ when the eye is fixed upon Christ, when the tongue continually speaks of Christ, when the mind dwells on him, and when the affections are directed towards him.*

– Thomas Hooker

### Mission of Ascension Church

Ascension Church is a faith community in the Forest Hills area of Queens and seeks to be an intellectually-engaging and spiritually-edifying resource to connect individuals and families to God through the gospel (good news) of Jesus Christ. We wish to be the church for believers, seekers, skeptics, strugglers, and those who rarely or occasionally attend church.

## Call to Worship

*Scripture:* 1 John 3: 1-3  
*Songs:* Love Divine All Loves Excelling  
 Oh Lord You're Beautiful/God I Look to You/Lord I Need You

## Call to Confession

*Scripture:* 1 John 3:4-7  
*Assurance:* 1 John 1:9  
*Song:* I Stand In Awe

## Community News

See pages 3-4

## The Word

*Message:* In Christ Alone  
*Scripture:* John 15:1-11  
*Speaker:* Pastor Twaambe Moyo

## Commitment & Connection

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.  
*2 Corinthians 8:9*

You may place your offering in the basket, mail-in checks, or visit our online giving options. You can also send a prayer request or indicate your interest in any of our events via the Connection Card.

## Sending

*Song:* He Will Hold Me Fast

### Benediction and Charge

Let us go forth in peace, to love and serve our city in Jesus' name!  
**Alleluia! Amen!**

*The pastors and other church leaders are available to pray with you or to answer questions about the Christian faith or Ascension Church. Bible verses from the English Standard Version (ESV), unless otherwise noted.*

## Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen. *If you prayed this or if you have questions about it, please indicate this on the Connection Card.*

## Church Wide Community News & Events

**THE KYTKAS:** Pastor Michael and Roseann are on vacation. They will return to Ascension on March 1.

**ASCENSION'S 20TH ANNIVERSARY:** Save the date! Join us on May 17 for a special luncheon as we celebrate Twenty Years of Ascension Church! We are looking forward to a time of fellowship, memories, and gratitude as we celebrate all that God has done through Ascension over the last twenty years. The celebration will take place following service on May 17 at Dee's (107-23 Metropolitan Avenue). The cost is \$50 per person, with children under 12 free. Please scan the QR code to register for this event and/or indicate your interest in joining on the Connection Card.



**ASCENSION KIDS' CHOIR:** Our Kids Choir as resumed rehearsals in preparation for an Easter Sunday performance! Practices are Sunday mornings at 10 am. We are delighted to welcome back Kate Byrnes as our choir director.

**EASTERFEST:** Join us on Sunday, April 5th as we celebrate the resurrection and victory of Christ through worship, followed by Easter egg hunting for children and other festivities!

**DISCOVER ASCENSION:** This orientation to Ascension Church will take place over lunch on Sunday, March 15, 22, or 29. If you are interested in learning more about Ascension, or are considering membership classes, this is a wonderful opportunity to discover the life-changing truths that Christ gave His church. This class is a prerequisite for membership. If interested, please indicate your preferred date on the Connection Card.