

102 Jonathan Blvd. N., Chaska, Minnesota 55318  
Worship: 9:30 AM with Bible Class following the service

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*Mercy: Where God's Holy Anger and Eternal Love Meet*

**WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS** in the name of Jesus Christ! Augustana Lutheran Church confesses and practices the full truth of God's Word, a heritage passed down to us by Luther, and confirmed in the public confessions of our church. We believe that the Bible in all its parts is inspired by the Holy Spirit, error-free, and the only source of divine revelation and absolute truth. If you have any questions about such Bible doctrine, or about our congregation, please direct them to Pastor Diers.

## General Prayer

O God, who in wisdom didst make the world and establish the heavens, we thank thee that in love thou didst fearfully and wonderfully make us in thine image, granting unto us the gift of intelligence, a house for thy Spirit in the temple of our bodies, and a moral conscience which perceives good and evil.

Especially do we thank thee for faith in thy Son Jesus Christ, in whom thou hast revealed thy love for last mankind, who brought salvation into the world by laying down his life.

Pour out thy Spirit upon us, that we might richly grow in divine knowledge and judgment, that all our works might be fit for thy praise. Grant by thy Spirit that we may be ever kindly disposed toward one another in brotherly love, forgiving one another, even as thou hast, for Christ's sake, forgiven us.

Preserve and rule thy church in the fellowship of the Gospel, that she may be steadfast in the faith entrusted to her. Defend her against all her enemies, that she may serve thee without fear. And as we have freely received from thee, move us to give freely, liberally, and gladly for thee in the support of all who labor in thy vineyard in our own and in distant lands. Especially do we lift up to thee thy servants who are persecuted for thy Name's sake. Overshadow them with thy power and fill them with thy Spirit, that they, showing thy glory in their faithfulness and love, may turn the hearts of their oppressors.

Grant health and wisdom to all in our own land who bear authority, so that they may serve according to thy will, and that we may prosper in concord and righteousness. Defeat the devices of the wicked and uphold and further all that is good, that we may be saved from thy wrath and be defended by thy mercy.

Implant thy Word in the hearts of our children, that they may be reared to lives of usefulness to thy church and to their country. Give to all parents thy blessing and grant them understanding and patience.

Watch over the sick, the sorrowing, and the anxious; be their companion in suffering and their help in tribulation. Preserve those who are in any mortal peril of body or soul, and save them by thy gracious providence. And although, on account of our sins, we have merited thy fatherly correction, help us to receive thy visitation in humility and repentance and turn to thee for pardon and peace.

These and all other things of which we have need, we beseech thee to bestow upon us for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

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#### Announcements

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## Augustana Lutheran Church

Pastor Martin Diers

*Built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets  
Jesus Christ Himself being the Chief Corner Stone*

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owed him ten thousand talents. But forasmuch as he had not to pay, his lord commanded him to be sold, and his wife, and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made. The servant therefore fell down, and worshipped him, saying, Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay thee all. Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt. But the same servant went out, and found one of his fellow servants, which owed him an hundred pence: and he laid hands on him, and took him by the throat, saying, Pay me that thou owest. And his fellow servant fell down at his feet, and besought him, saying, Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all. And he would not: but went and cast him into prison, till he should pay the debt. So when his fellow servants saw what was done, they were very sorry, and came and told unto their lord all that was done. Then his lord, after that he had called him, said unto him, O thou wicked servant, I forgave thee all that debt, because thou desiredst me: Shouldest not thou also have had compassion on thy fellow servant, even as I had pity on thee? And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due unto him. So likewise shall my heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trespasses.

#### SERMON TEXT Jeremiah 17:14-17

Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be healed; Save me, and I shall be saved, For You *are* my praise. Indeed they say to me, “Where *is* the word of the LORD? Let it come now!” As for me, I have not hurried away from *being* a shepherd *who* follows You, Nor have I desired the woeful day; You know what came out of my lips; It was right there before You. Do not be a terror to me; You *are* my hope in the day of doom. (NKJV)

#### OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Proverbs 24:14-20

So shall the knowledge of wisdom be unto thy soul: when thou hast found it, then there shall be a reward, and thy expectation shall not be cut off. Lay not wait, O wicked man, against the dwelling of the righteous; spoil not his resting place: For a just man falleth seven times, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief. Rejoice not when thine enemy falleth, and let not thine heart be glad when he stumbleth: Lest the LORD see it, and it displease him, and he turn away his wrath from him. Fret not thyself because of evil men, neither be thou envious at the wicked; For there shall be no reward to the evil man; the candle of the wicked shall be put out.

#### EPISTLE LESSON Philippians 1:3-11

I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine making request for you all with joy, for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete *it* until the day of Jesus Christ; just as it is right for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart, inasmuch as both in my chains and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel, you all are partakers with me of grace. For God is my witness, how greatly I long for you all with the affection of Jesus Christ. And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment, that you may approve the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and without offense till the day of Christ, being filled with the fruits of righteousness which *are* by Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God. (NKJV)

#### GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 18:23-35

Therefore is the kingdom of heaven likened unto a certain king, which would take account of his servants. And when he had begun to reckon, one was brought unto him, which