

# Augustana Lutheran Church

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

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**Trinity 26**

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## Hymns:

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## Scripture Lessons

Old Testament      Daniel 7:9-14

*The Judgment*

Epistle      2 Thessalonians 1:3-10

*The Righteous Judgment of God*

Gospel      Matthew 25:31-46

*The Son of Man on the Throne of His Glory*

Sermon      Ezekiel 34:17-24

*The Lord, the Son of David, Shall Judge,  
and Separate Those Who Trample the Grain and Water of His Sheep*

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**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

Lord God, heavenly Father, of whom and through whom and to whom are all things, to thee be glory forever and ever. We thank thee for all thy blessings: for our creation and all that exists; for the priceless gifts and endowments of body and mind and for daily providing all the necessities of life; but most heartily do we thank thee for the gift of thy Son Jesus Christ, by whom thou hast saved us from wrath and appointed us to obtain salvation and eternal life. Grant that we may be filled with his Spirit and produce the fruits of faith, so that when he shall come in his glory we may be received into his eternal kingdom.

And as thou wilt uncover the counsels of every heart, reveal to us our great sinfulness and lead us to repentance; cleanse and purify us by thy grace, that we may be absolved from all our sins and preserved from the power of evil; sanctify all our thoughts, words, and endeavors, that we may love and serve only thee; and finally, in the day of judgment, may we be conformed unto the image of thy dear Son. Open our eyes to see that Christ is near, so that we might labor with diligence in proclaiming thy Word with all boldness, that thy name may be glorified among men.

Have dominion over all the nations of the earth, and bless our own land. Guide those who are in authority with thy wisdom, that they may rule with humility, and serve with uprightness. Defend our homes from the corruption of the world, the devil, and our flesh. Keep our parents in the faith, loving and honoring one another, and our children in affectionate obedience, growing in grace and favor with thee.

We pray for all sorts and conditions of men, but especially for the afflicted. Lift up the weary and the wounded, touch

the sick and the diseased, strengthen the aged and the infirm, give hope to the depressed and anxious, guard the imperiled and oppressed; and by thy mighty power give them in Christ Jesus light for their darkness and joy for their sadness.

And, now, O God, who wilt once more shake the heavens and the earth, but who hast given us a kingdom which cannot be moved, grant unto us steadfastness and patience, that, when thy Son shall appear, and all his holy angels with him, we may be clothed with his righteousness and inherit the heavenly city which abides forever. In his exalted Name we pray. Amen.

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#### Announcements

Offerings: 10/26 \$212.00  
11/2 \$240.05  
11/9 \$268.29

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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*

**The Twenty-Sixth Sunday After Trinity**  
November 16, 2008



## OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Daniel 7:9-14

I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire. A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened. I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake: I beheld even till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame. As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away: yet their lives were prolonged for a season and time. I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.

## EPISTLE LESSON 2 Thessalonians 1:3-10

We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is meet, because that your faith groweth exceedingly, and the charity of every one of you all toward each other aboundeth; So that we ourselves glory in you in the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and tribulations that ye endure: Which is a manifest token of the righteous judgment of God, that ye may be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which ye also suffer: Seeing it is a righteous thing with God to recompense tribulation to them that trouble you; And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus



shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power; When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day.

#### GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 25:31-46

When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats: And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left. Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: For I was an hungered, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me. Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungered, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink? When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee? Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee? And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me. Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels: For I was an hungered, and ye gave me no meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me no drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me not in: naked, and ye

clothed me not: sick, and in prison, and ye visited me not. Then shall they also answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungered, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto thee? Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me. And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

#### SERMON TEXT Ezekiel 34:17-24

*“And as for you, O My flock, thus says the Lord GOD: “Behold, I shall judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and goats. “Is it too little for you to have eaten up the good pasture, that you must tread down with your feet the residue of your pasture—and to have drunk of the clear waters, that you must foul the residue with your feet? “And as for My flock, they eat what you have trampled with your feet, and they drink what you have fouled with your feet.” ‘Therefore thus says the Lord GOD to them: “Behold, I Myself will judge between the fat and the lean sheep. “Because you have pushed with side and shoulder, butted all the weak ones with your horns, and scattered them abroad, “therefore I will save My flock, and they shall no longer be a prey; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. “I will establish one shepherd over them, and he shall feed them — My servant David. He shall feed them and be their shepherd. “And I, the LORD, will be their God, and My servant David a prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.” (NKJV)*