

Augustana Lutheran Church

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

Second Sunday after Epiphany January 18, 2009
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Hymns:

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Scripture Lessons

Old Testament	Isaiah 61:1-6 <i>The Office of Christ</i>
Epistle	Romans 12:6-16 <i>Faith and Love in Our Social Relations</i>
Gospel	John 2:1-11 <i>The Wedding in Cana</i>
Sermon	John 2:1-11 <i>Jesus Gives the Good Wine of Grace, Better than Every Vain Sign and Work</i>

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

Almighty and ever-living God, who in Jesus Christ thy Son hast given the light of thy truth for all who are in the darkness of error and falsehood, so that all men may have life through his Name, we thank thee that thou hast called us into this true and living faith and graciously bestowed upon us manifold gifts of grace.

Hear our prayer, heavenly Father, that thy people may be shining lights in this world's darkness. Grant that we may be united in brotherly love and zeal to do the holy work set before us, fervent in the purpose of our calling, faithful in every trial, joyful in our promised hope, generous in hospitality, and holding fast to all that is good.

Bestow thy special favor upon our homes. As our Lord blessed the marriage feast in Cana with his presence and with his miraculous gift of wine, grant that he may also dwell in every home and bestow on us the heavenly gifts of grace and mercy which He has won for us with His own blood. Bless all who live together in the bonds of marriage, that they may serve one another in love, hold each other in honor, and acknowledge thy goodness and grace in one spirit even as they are one flesh. Grant that our homes may reflect the grace wherein Christ hath loved His bride, the Church, and hath laid down His life for her.

Give stability and peace to the nations of the earth, and show thyself to be the only true God, so that all men may know of thy power and glory. Send forth ministers of thy Word into every place that the multitudes may learn of thine infinite goodness through Jesus Christ, who was crucified for the sins of the world.

We implore thy mercy, O God, for all who are in any want or need of body or soul, that thou wouldst deliver them

from all evil, give them the oil of joy for mourning and the garment of praise for heaviness. Save us from all hidden perils, and defend until that hour when thou shalt call us from this earthly tabernacle to dwell in thy house forever and ever. In the Name of Jesus, the Christ, the Son of the living God. Amen.

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Pastor Martin Diers

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

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Announcements

Offerings: 1-6 \$85.50
1-11 \$262.55

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given to hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep. Be of the same mind toward one another. Do not set your mind on high things, but associate with the humble. Do not be wise in your own opinion. (NKJV)

GOSPEL LESSON and SERMON TEXT John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Now both Jesus and His disciples were invited to the wedding. And when they ran out of wine, the mother of Jesus said to Him, "They have no wine." Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does your concern have to do with Me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Whatever He says to you, do *it*." Now there were set there six waterpots of stone, according to the manner of purification of the Jews, containing twenty or thirty gallons apiece. Jesus said to them, "Fill the waterpots with water." And they filled them up to the brim. And He said to them, "Draw *some* out now, and take *it* to the master of the feast." And they took *it*. When the master of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and did not know where it came from (but the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom. And he said to him, "Every man at the beginning sets out the good wine, and when the *guests* have well drunk, then the inferior. You have kept the good wine until now!" This beginning of signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory; and His disciples believed in Him. (NKJV)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 61:1-6

"The Spirit of the Lord GOD *is* upon Me, Because the LORD has anointed Me To preach good tidings to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives, And the opening of the prison to *those who are* bound; To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, And the day of vengeance of our God; To comfort all who mourn, To console those who mourn in Zion, To give them beauty for ashes, The oil of joy for mourning, The garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; That they may be called trees of righteousness, The planting of the LORD, that He may be glorified." And they shall rebuild the old ruins, They shall raise up the former desolations, And they shall repair the ruined cities, The desolations of many generations. Strangers shall stand and feed your flocks, And the sons of the foreigner *Shall be* your plowmen and your vinedressers. But you shall be named the priests of the LORD, They shall call you the servants of our God. You shall eat the riches of the Gentiles, And in their glory you shall boast." (NKJV)

EPISTLE LESSON Romans 12:6-16

Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, *let us use them*: if prophecy, *let us prophesy* in proportion to our faith; or ministry, *let us use it* in our ministering; he who teaches, in teaching; he who exhorts, in exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness. *Let love be* without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good. *Be* kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another; not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer; distributing to the needs of the saints,