Augustana Lutheran Church

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

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We are Kept by the One True God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

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 God, our Light and our Salvation, we praise thee for thy manifold works of love and mercy toward all the children of men, but especially for the gift of thine onlybegotten Son, to whom thou gavest triumphant ascension into heaven to sit upon thy right hand, far above all principalities and powers, and a name that is above every name, not only in this world, but in that which is to come.

We thank thee that thou hast thus crowned him with glory for his perfect life, his loving obedience, his innocent sufferings, and his redeeming death. As thou hast raised him as King over all the earth and Head over all the church, may we also confess that he is the true Lord of our hearts and the only Savior of men.

O God, may thy Holy Spirit comfort and strengthen us by the light of heavenly truth, teach us of thy manifold grace in Jesus, and lead us into the paths of brotherly love and fervent charity. And because thou hast ordained it that those who live in Christ should also endure suffering for His name's sake, grant us by thy Spirit to be steadfast in our faith, with our hearts fixed constantly on the hope of eternal life.

Give unto thy ministers the mind of the Spirit, that Christ may be confessed with all faithfulness, his cross uplifted, and his Gospel declared as the only power unto salvation.

Give thy blessing to all parents, that they may be wholesome examples to their children in love toward thee, and in usefulness to thy church and to all men.

Pour out thy Spirit upon our nation, that our people may serve thee in all godliness and honor. Bestow thy blessing on all who labor with mind or hand, that they may work with diligence and honesty and receive the just reward of their toil.

Hear the prayers of all the afflicted. Grant unto them strength and hope in the assurance of thy love, thy power, and thy nearness.

And now, as we go depart from this house of prayer, we give glory unto Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

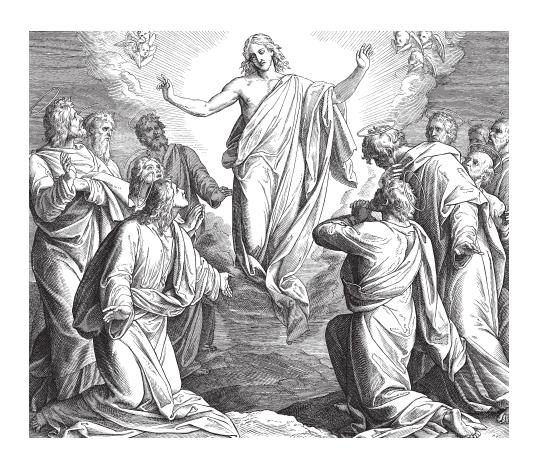
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Built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets Jesus Christ Himself being the Chief Corner Stone

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OLD TESTAMENT LESSON, Isaiah 32:14–20

Because the palaces will be forsaken, The bustling city will be deserted. The forts and towers will become lairs forever, A joy of wild donkeys, a pasture of flocks — Until the Spirit is poured upon us from on high, And the wilderness becomes a fruitful field, And the fruitful field is counted as a forest. Then justice will dwell in the wilderness, And righteousness remain in the fruitful field. The work of righteousness will be peace, And the effect of righteousness, quietness and assurance forever. My people will dwell in a peaceful habitation, In secure dwellings, and in quiet resting places, Though hail comes down on the forest, And the city is brought low in humiliation. Blessed are you who sow beside all waters, Who send out freely the feet of the ox and the donkey.

EPISTLE LESSON, 1 Peter 4:7–11

But the end of all things is at hand; therefore be serious and watchful in your prayers. And above all things have fervent love for one another, for "love will cover a multitude of sins." Be hospitable to one another without grumbling. As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. If anyone speaks, let him speak as the oracles of God. If anyone ministers, let him do it as with the ability which God supplies, that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

GOSPEL LESSON and SERMON TEXT, John 15:26–16:4

"But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me. And you also will bear witness, because you have been with Me from the beginning. These things I have spoken to you, that you should not be made to stumble. They will put you out of the synagogues; yes, the time is coming that whoever kills you will think that he offers God service. And these things they will do to you because they have not known the Father nor Me. But these things I have told you, that when the time comes, you may remember that I told you of them. And these things I did not say to you at the beginning, because I was with you."