

# Augustana Lutheran Church

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

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*Blessed are All Who Believe the Promises of God in Christ*

**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 thou holy and immortal God, who's workings and majesty are greater than we can comprehend: In humility of soul we give thee thanks and praise for thy manifold kindness.

We thank thee that thou hast so bountifully given to the world its daily bread, providing seed for the sower, and rain for our crops, that our farmers might harvests the fruits of the land.

But we do especially thank thee that in thine ineffable love thou hast provided for our soul's hunger in the gift of the Bread from heaven, Jesus Christ, thy Son. Grant, O Father, that we may believe on him with all our hearts and find the joys and satisfactions of this heavenly Food. Lead us to his heavenly word and doctrine, there to find the great truths and unsurpassable wisdom of thy holy will. Turn us to him, who was bruised for our iniquities and wounded for our transgressions that by his stripes we may be cleansed, healed, and forgiven.

O God, grant that we may also find in him the strength we do not find in ourselves: the power to resist the devil and every temptation, and the will to overcome our sins and yield ourselves to righteousness unto holiness. Nourish us by thy word and Spirit that we may find our labor sweet and all our necessities of our souls supplied.

Set watchmen over thy church who shall labor diligently in all lands and nations, preaching thy holy Word with all boldness, that when our Lord Jesus shall return, He may find the fruit of the Spirit: a holy and redeemed church ready for the life to come.

We thank thee for the blessings of our land. Give strength to all the forces of righteousness in our midst, and

overthrow all the powers of evil. Be to us ever our Sword and Shield.

Be thou the Helper of all our families. Implant thy Word in the hearts of our children and thy love in our parents, so that they may ever enjoy the fruits of holiness.

Free the afflicted from their troubles and bind them to thee, to the end that they may have abundant life, and live to serve and praise thee.

O thou who knowest our frame and rememberest that we are dust, as we depart thy house, continue the work of thy Spirit, and quicken us in faith, hope, and love, through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

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#### Announcements

Our annual Church Picnic follows Bible Class today.

**Offerings** 7/19 \$210.00

#### Augustana Lutheran Church

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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 Seventh Sunday After Trinity

July 26, 2009



## OLD TESTAMENT LESSON 1 Kings 19:9-18

And there he went into a cave, and spent the night in that place; and behold, the word of the LORD *came* to him, and He said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" So he said, "I have been very zealous for the LORD God of hosts; for the children of Israel have forsaken Your covenant, torn down Your altars, and killed Your prophets with the sword. I alone am left; and they seek to take my life." Then He said, "Go out, and stand on the mountain before the LORD." And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore into the mountains and broke the rocks in pieces before the LORD, *but* the LORD *was* not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, *but* the LORD *was* not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, *but* the LORD *was* not in the fire; and after the fire a still small voice. So it was, when Elijah heard *it*, that he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood in the entrance of the cave. Suddenly a voice *came* to him, and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" And he said, "I have been very zealous for the LORD God of hosts; because the children of Israel have forsaken Your covenant, torn down Your altars, and killed Your prophets with the sword. I alone am left; and they seek to take my life." Then the LORD said to him: "Go, return on your way to the Wilderness of Damascus; and when you arrive, anoint Hazael *as* king over Syria. "Also you shall anoint Jehu the son of Nimshi *as* king over Israel. And Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel Meholah you shall anoint *as* prophet in your place. "It shall be *that* whoever escapes the sword of Hazael, Jehu will kill; and whoever escapes the sword of Jehu, Elisha will kill. "Yet I have reserved seven thousand in Israel, all whose knees have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

#### EPISTLE LESSON Romans 8:28-39

And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to *His* purpose. For whom He foreknew, He also predestined *to be* conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren. Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified. What then shall we say to these things? If God *is* for us, who *can be* against us? He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? *It is* God who justifies. Who *is* he who condemns? *It is* Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? *Shall* tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter." Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

#### GOSPEL LESSON and SERMON TEXT Matthew 20:20-28

Then the mother of Zebedee's sons came to Him with her sons, kneeling down and asking something from Him. And He said to her, "What do you wish?" She said to Him, "Grant that these two sons of mine may sit, one on Your right hand and the other on the left, in Your kingdom."

But Jesus answered and said, "You do not know what you ask. Are you able to drink the cup that I am about to drink, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They said to Him, "We are able." So He said to them, "You will indeed drink My cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with; but to sit on My right hand and on My left is not Mine to give, but *it is for those* for whom it is prepared by My Father." And when the ten heard *it*, they were greatly displeased with the two brothers. But Jesus called them to *Himself* and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and those who are great exercise authority over them. "Yet it shall not be so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you, let him be your servant. "And whoever desires to be first among you, let him be your slave— "just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."