

# Augustana Lutheran Church

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

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## Hymns:

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## Scripture Lessons

Old Testament	Jeremiah 31:31-34
Epistle	Galatians 2:16-21
Gospel	John 8:31-36
Sermon	John 8:31-36

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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 of hosts, who through thy Holy Spirit didst call thy people by the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ and gather them into the fellowship of his Name, we thank thee for continuing to defend and preserve thy Church. We pray thee to continue to defend her from the assaults of the devil, and from every enemy of thy Word; deliver her from the error of false prophets, and rescue her from persecution, peril, and oppression.

Lord of our life, when thy church by reason of sin had fallen into the bondage of the Antichrist who replaced thy will with his own word and work, when the light of faith had grown dim, thou didst in thy mercy revive thy church by raising up Martin Luther, and other mighty men, chosen and ordained of thee, full of faith and wisdom, to lead thy people to the fountains of living truth, to restore to them the joy of thy salvation through the riches of thy grace, and to bring them through the righteousness which is by faith in thy Son Jesus to the adoption of sons and to the inheritance incorruptible. We pray with thee to continue to raise up such men, and send them with thy precious Gospel to preach the truth without fail, calling them out of the babylon of false doctrine, and into the light of faith, and so continue to grant life and health to thy church on earth.

Grant unto us, that we being justified by thine only-begotten Son, may ever trust in thy loving-kindness, know the fullness of thy forgiveness for all our sins, and live in the Spirit unto all godliness, faith, love, and hope. And as the entrance of thy Word gives light, implant it in our hearts, that we, enlightened and sanctified thereby, may bring forth fruit by patient continuance in well-doing.

Father of mercies, look in mercy upon our land, and forgive us our sins. Endow our governors with such love of truth, grace of mind, and strength of character as befits those bearing such offices. Let thy light shine forth in every city and town, that men everywhere may come to know thee and turn to thee in repentance and faith.

God of all comfort, we commend to thy loving care our homes and families. Where there is sin, bring repentance; where there is sorrow, grant the consolation of thy love; where there is temptation and trial, instill a love of righteousness and godly trust; and where there is pain, impart strength and wholeness. Be thou their Refuge and Strength, a very present Help in every trouble.

Eternal Father, strong to save, pour out thy Spirit upon us, that we may believe with our hearts in thy beloved Son, trust in him and his merits, walk in loving obedience to him, and finally be received in righteousness, innocence, and blessedness into thine eternal presence to dwell with thee and all thy people forever and ever. This we pray in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

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### Announcements

Offerings: 10-18 \$180  
10-25 \$241

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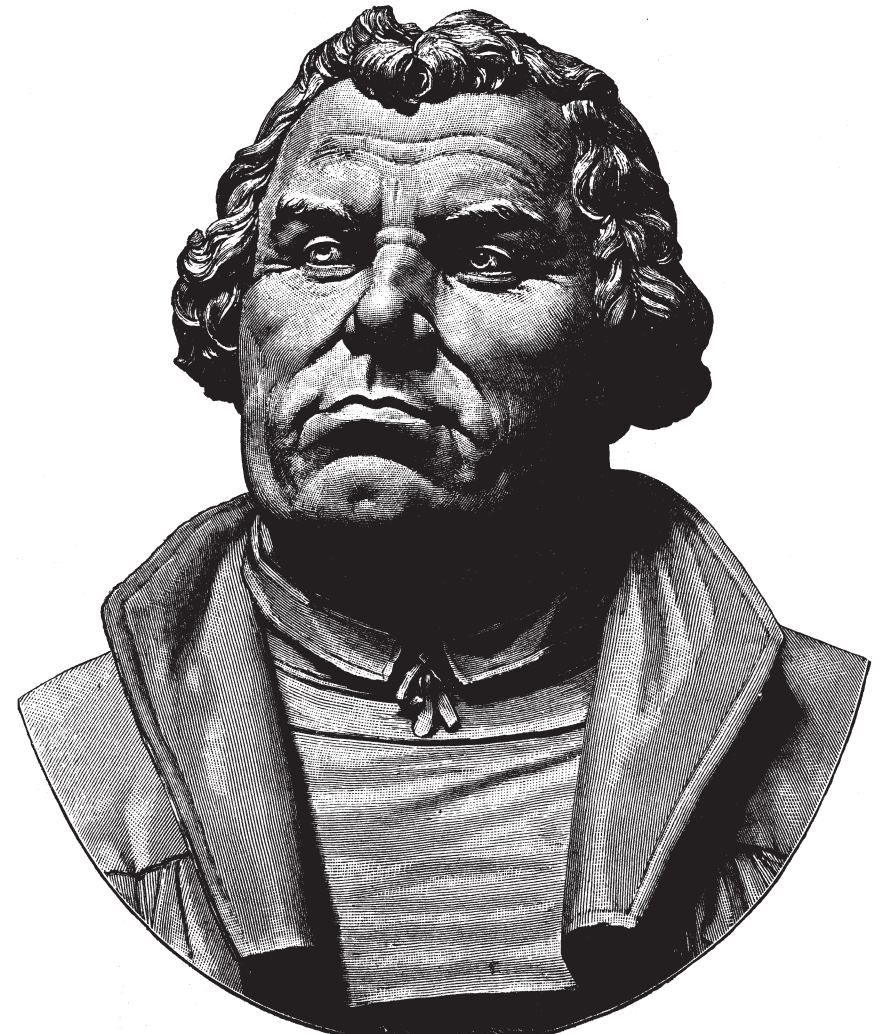
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Jesus Christ Himself being the Chief Corner Stone*

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GOSPEL LESSON and SERMON TEXT John 8:31-36

Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." They answered Him, "We are Abraham's descendants, and have never been in bondage to anyone. How can you say, 'You will be made free'?" Jesus answered them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, whoever commits sin is a slave of sin. And a slave does not abide in the house forever, but a son abides forever. Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed."

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Jeremiah 31:31-34

Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah — not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt, My covenant which they broke, though I was a husband to them, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put My law in their minds, and write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. No more shall every man teach his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them, says the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more.

EPISTLE LESSON Galatians 2:16-21

Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law no flesh shall be justified. But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is Christ therefore a minister of sin? Certainly not! For if I build again those things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me. I do not set aside the grace of God; for if righteousness comes through the law, then Christ died in vain.