

Augustana Lutheran Church

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Worship: 9:30 AM with Bible Class following the service

Trinity

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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

O God, thou Fountain of all our blessings, who art from everlasting to everlasting, and who dwellest in majesty, honor, and glory, as the most blessed Trinity of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit:

We thank thee for the wondrous mercy by which we have come to love thee. We thank thee that thou art the one, true, triune God-head, eternal, immortal, invisible, in whom we live and move and have our being.

We bless thee, almighty Father, who's glory filleth the heavens, who madest all things. Thy judgments and decrees in the whole universe declare and show forth thy power and glory. O Lord, how manifold are thy works; in wisdom thou hast made them all.

We worship thee, O Christ, thou only-begotten Son of the Father. Thou wast lifted up to draw all men unto thee, that whosoever believes in thee should not perish but have everlasting life; thou hast been exalted to the right hand of the Father and been given a Name which is above every name, and now ever livest to make intercession for thy people. O Lord, how great is thy mercy; in love thou hast ransomed and redeemed us.

We praise thee, O Holy Spirit, who hast called us by the Gospel and hast led us into all truth; thou hast gathered us into thy church and sanctified us by thy grace. Thou hast transformed us in the inner man and renewed us in the spirit of our minds. O Lord and Giver of life, how marvelous are thy gifts; in grace thou givest them all.

We pray, almighty God, that we may be enriched from the treasures of thy wisdom and knowledge. Open to us the Holy Scriptures, that we may grow in the understanding of thy will, render thee a more acceptable service, and attain a more perfect love and obedience. Confirm in us the new birth, and save us by the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit. And because thy judgments are unsearchable to our sinful minds and thy ways are past finding out, we do not ask a perfect understanding of thy divine majesty and holiness, but only to have a firm faith in thee, O God, and in Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent. Grant that in beholding thee through thy Son, our Savior, we may

know thy glory, that thou art a God of love and mercy, and of grace and truth, and trust wholly and only in thee for all things in all times and in every place.

Abide with thy church, O Lord, and make her people and pastors diligent in her calling. Cleanse her of error, weakness, and disobedience, and purify her in faith and all good works.

Strengthen thy truth in our faltering hands, and give us a lively hope in thy bountiful promises. Grant us, through the merits of Jesus Christ, the remission of all our sins, and preserve us unto the coming of thy heavenly kingdom, when we shall see thee face to face and faith shall be perfected in heavenly knowledge. In the Name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Announcements

The second Convocation of the Orthodox Lutheran Confessional Conference (OLCC) will be held July 21-22 at Jackson, Michigan.

Do you have friends or family who are missing Church because they don't live close to a congregation where God's Word is taught in it's truth and purity?

Suggest to them that they tune in to Augustana's live video or audio stream for each and every service. <http://augustana.us/live-video>

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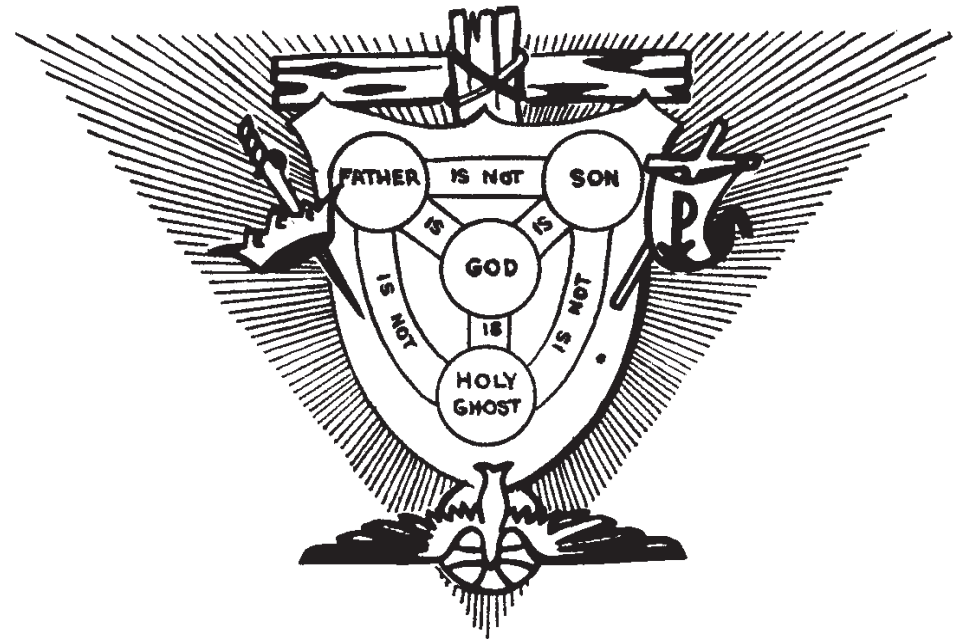
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*Built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets
Jesus Christ Himself being the Chief Corner Stone*

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OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 6:1–7

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lifted up, and the train of His robe filled the temple. Above it stood seraphim; each one had six wings: with two he covered his face, with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one cried to another and said: “Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; The whole earth is full of His glory!” And the posts of the door were shaken by the voice of him who cried out, and the house was filled with smoke. So I said: “Woe is me, for I am undone! Because I am a man of unclean lips, And I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; For my eyes have seen the King, The LORD of hosts.” Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a live coal which he had taken with the tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth with it, and said: “Behold, this has touched your lips; Your iniquity is taken away, And your sin purged.”

EPISTLE LESSON Romans 11:33–36

Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out! “For who has known the mind of the LORD? Or who has become His counselor? Or who has first given to Him And it shall be repaid to him?” For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever. Amen.

GOSPEL LESSON and SERMON TEXT John 3:1–15

There was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. This man came to Jesus by night and said to Him, “Rabbi, we know that You are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him.” Jesus answered and said to him, “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.” Nicodemus said to

Him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear the sound of it, but cannot tell where it comes from and where it goes. So is everyone who is born of the Spirit.” Nicodemus answered and said to Him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered and said to him, “Are you the teacher of Israel, and do not know these things? Most assuredly, I say to you, We speak what We know and testify what We have seen, and you do not receive Our witness. If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how will you believe if I tell you heavenly things? No one has ascended to heaven but He who came down from heaven, that is, the Son of Man who is in heaven. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.