

Augustana Lutheran Church

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

General Prayer

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Pastor Diers

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.

Almighty God, Father of all mercies and God of all comfort, Who, since the world began, has given through Your holy prophets the promise of mercy and deliverance, we thank and praise You for the coming of Your Son Jesus Christ, the Light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Your people Israel. We beseech You, O God, that as Your faithful people in every age have earnestly believed Your Word, so we may also unwaveringly believe it and be found ready to receive Your heavenly promises. And as the faithful remnant in Israel looked with fervent longing for the coming of the Messiah, grant that we also may joyfully receive Him, Jesus our Lord, and thus be delivered by His might from the power of sin, death, and the devil.

To this end, dear God, lead us by Your Spirit to acknowledge our great sinfulness. By His power, bring us to repentance. Help us to hate evil and to love good. Strengthen us against the temptations of Satan. Turn our hearts to seek righteousness and holiness, that thus we may serve and glorify You.

Send the light of your Word throughout the earth, that all may know You through the gift of You Son Jesus Christ, that in every place, the cry may continue to go forth: Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest!

Grant peace and tranquility to the nations of the earth. We especially ask Your favor upon our own land. Guide our authorities to be diligent in their callings, to do Your will, and to acknowledge You as the only true God.

Bless all who are gathered here today and sanctify them by Your Word. To those of us who are afflicted, to those who are in sorrow, to those who are enduring trials, to those who have any need of body or spirit, grant such strength, comfort, and understanding that they may be comforted with the knowledge of Your enduring help and presence.

All this we ask in the Name of Him who came for our deliverance, died for our salvation, rose again for our justification, and ever lives to intercede for us before the Majesty on High, even Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

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Pastor Martin Diers

Pastor Bruce King

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

The First Sunday in Advent

November 27, 2011

Announcements

Midweek Advent worship Wednesday at 7:30pm.

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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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 Romans 13:11–14

And do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts.

GOSPEL LESSON and SERMON TEXT Matthew 21:1–9

Now when they drew near Jerusalem, and came to Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, “Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Loose them and bring them to Me. And if anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord has need of them,’ and immediately he will send them.” All this was done that it might be

fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying: “Tell the daughter of Zion, ‘Behold, your King is coming to you, Lowly, and sitting on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey.’” So the disciples went and did as Jesus commanded them. They brought the donkey and the colt, laid their clothes on them, and set Him on them. And a very great multitude spread their clothes on the road; others cut down branches from the trees and spread them on the road. Then the multitudes who went before and those who followed cried out, saying: “Hosanna to the Son of David! ‘Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!’ Hosanna in the highest!”