



Augustana News

April 2025

Dear Friends in Christ,

Most of us have highs and lows in our life (on a daily basis). Things go well, we are in a good state of health, doing our work, enjoying our families, and whatever recreation brings us joy. We meet up with friends and have a coffee or soda (or something stronger on occasions) with our colleagues or perhaps a neighbor and never question that in a matter of seconds the tides of life may shift, and our life could be so very different. Usually, the ups and downs even themselves out fairly quickly and life is back to normal...to "same old; same old."

Hopefully, during these days of Lent we have allowed ourselves to dig deeper into our highs and lows to experience the reality that if we are at the peak or in the valley, our Lord is right there with us. And because he is right there, he gives us the strength to not get stuck in the dark places; but rather, he gives us purpose and hope to see beyond the sense of betrayal, hurt, sadness, and anything that would keep us from vindictive, unloving, and less-than-Christlike behavior. Simply because our own world appears to be caving in and leaving us exposed and vulnerable does not give us the right to take our frustrations out on others.

It has been important for us during these days of Lent to reflect not simply on our own shortcomings, our own need to repent, and be turned around in order that we can make it out of the deep dark valley of our life's shadows and see that our Lord wants to bring us up to a brighter and better place, a free and forgiven spot where love, not hate or bitterness, drives our every action, word, and thought. Have you ever noticed that when things seem to be moving along fairly smoothly in our lives we may rejoice momentarily, but we move on quickly toward the next thing and the thing after that. Sometimes we rarely take the time to stop and say, "Thank You God for these rich, purpose-filled moments...for this glorious experience...for the blessings which I don't deserve but with which you have showered me."

But let me get sick, need to go to the Emergency Room, spend six days in the hospital, receive an alarming new diagnosis which could have long-term implications for how I have decided to live out the remainder of my life, and I will obsess and complain that life is not fair...where is God when you need God the most...doesn't God care; and more to the point - what is God going to do to get you out of this mess, fix things, and get life back to how it used to be?

The first words out of my mouth isn't, "Thank you God for walking with me through this time...thank you God for providing me with the courage to move beyond this time of adversity...thank you God for placing people in my life to bring the knowledge, wisdom, and understanding to my life which will point me in the direction of hope, healing, patience, and submission to your will and to all that is yet to come.

Whatever part of the journey you are on today I pray that your walk with the Lord, who has already experienced suffering, pain, and death to spare us the ultimate jaws of eternal death, will give you peace and hope. All of history was dependent on his willingness to endure to the end and through the deepest lows he would ever face we would be able to experience the biggest high we could ever imagine – eternal life with the lover of my soul - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**Our
Lord
With
Us**

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Think of your lowest moment in life, your worst day ever, the day when you may have said to yourself, “It can’t get much worse than this.” Even then our Lord’s passion was so much worse than any of my terrible, horrible, no good, very bad days. He was nailed to a tree, pierced in the side, crown of thorns pushed into his head, the whole earth going dark with the sun unable to shine, being made to drink vinegar, spit upon, tortured, body weight pulling on his lungs making it impossible for him to breathe, left to die by crucifixion in the scorching heat and laid in a tomb to rot. And none of that was on his own behalf but rather for the sake of the whole world. In just three short weeks we will be able to sing the uplifting words, “The Stife Is Over, The Battle Done; now is the victor’s triumph won! Now be the song of praise begun. -----!” This is the word we will unbury on Easter and sing many times in our Celebration of the Resurrection.

Blessings to each of you as we gather for Holy Week services and enter the glory of our Lord’s resurrection at Easter.

~ Sister Nora

DAILY
DEVOTIONS

The Word in Season
daily devotional is now available
for April, May, June 2025.
Be sure to pick up your free copy.

Special Congregation Meeting Follow-up

Candidate Pastor Emily Trubey-Weller preached and presided for the service on March 30, 2025. After worship, the Special Congregation Meeting was called to order by Mark Moyer. Rev. Priscilla Geerdes, Assistant to the Bishop for Ministry Transition, then took the floor, opening with prayer and the reading of the Letter of Call, a legal document. A quorum was present.

Two votes were taken:

1. Ballot for Rostered Minister Call - An affirmative vote of 2/3 of the ballots cast by the voting members in attendance was necessary for the election of a pastor. It passed with 33 yes; 2 no.
2. A simple majority verbal vote was necessary to pass the Compensation and Benefits Package. It passed with all ayes and no nays.

The process now continues. Once the Bishop has the documentation from each congregation regarding these actions and after the pastoral candidate has received the Official Call Document from the Bishop's office, the candidate has 30 days to respond that either "yes" they will accept the call or "no" they will not accept the call. If they accept, this begins a period of transition as the candidate prepares to resign the present call and complete responsibilities at the present congregation. It is also typical for a pastor to take some time off between calls to physically, emotionally, and spiritually prepare for all that is to come in a new call. So be patient; the process continues. Pray that the Spirit of the Living God will continue to move as the process proceeds.

PRAY
—WITHOUT—
CEASING

PRAYER LIST

Please contact us with updates, praises, & requests.

Health Concerns

Judy Duck
Sharon Butler
Deb Ludlow
Zach Havens, Nichole Metz’
cousin’s son
Ken Davis, Deb
Rowland’s son-in-law
Mike Iavagnilio
Barbara Hillyer
June, mother of
Melanie Watson
Fred Dunfee,
John Metz’ friend
Ryan Drummond
Eric Drummond
Kathy Struckle
Paul Erickson
Joanna Rice, Jay &
Bonnie Rice’s
daughter-in-law

Health Concerns continued

Sister Nora Frost
Gary Weiss, Sister
Nora’s cousin-in-law

Those Who Mourn

Families of:
Joanne Pauley
Pat Robinson
Doris Bias
Maxine Pedersen, Pastor
Tim’s sister-in-law

Other concerns

Victims of war, violence,
natural disasters
Pioneer Faith Ministries
Council & Call
Committee
Future Pastor

Rejoice in hope,
be patient in suffering,
persevere in prayer.

DAILY HELPS FOR YOUR LENTEN JOURNEY 2025



The journey continues...

□ **March 31st – Monday of the Fourth Week in Lent** – Read John 4:43-54

If there is a child in your life, teach them a simple prayer or buy them a simple book of prayers to read and pray. If they are a bit older, ask them to pray with you about a person or situation. Let them use their words as well as your words.

□ **April 1st – Tuesday of the Fourth Week of Lent** – Read Galatians 6:9, John 5:1-16

While you are out running errands today, make an effort to kindly smile at those who are in customer service positions such as a waiter, a store clerk checking you out, etc. Try to bring a little bit of joy to someone's day.

□ **April 2nd – Wednesday of the Fourth Week of Lent** – Read John 5:17-30

Pray for those who oppose the message of the Gospel and those who seek to silence the voice of God.

□ **April 3rd – Thursday of the Fourth Week of Lent** – Read John 5:31-47

Take time today to prayerfully meditate on Jesus' ministry of teaching, healing, preaching, and presence. Which of these accounts of Jesus' ministry resonate with you? Carry that most meaningful one with you throughout the day.

□ **April 4th – Friday of the Fourth Week of Lent** – Read John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Remember that all good comes from the Lord and give thanks to Him for the blessings you have experienced this week. Count your many blessings...name them one by one.

□ **April 5th – Saturday of the Fourth Week of Lent** – Read John 7:40-53

Reflect on times recently (or in the past) when you may have misjudged the people around you. Make a firm commitment to avoid judging others.

□ **April 6th – Fifth Sunday of Lent** – Read John 8:1-11

Is there someone who has caused you pain, anxiety, fear, or anger whom you feel you can never forgive? Offer a prayer for that person as well as for yourself. Ask the Lord to heal your own wounds through forgiveness.

□ **April 7th – Monday of the Fifth Week of Lent** – Read John 8:12-20

Pray the Lord's Prayer throughout the day emphasizing each petition and asking yourself what each petition means in your life.

□ **April 8th – Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Lent** – Read John 8:21-30

Reflect on how God willingly sacrificed His only Son for your salvation. What is it that you are willing to sacrifice today? Go without a meal today and use the money that would have paid for it as an offering to the church or other organization or give up some of your time today and call someone who is lonely or grieving.

□ **April 9th – Wednesday of the Fifth Week of Lent** – Read John 8:31-42

Ask God for the courage to live by truth. What does freedom mean to you? Is it freedom for or from something?

□ **April 10th – Thursday of the Fifth Week of Lent** – Read Psalm 51:12, John 8:51-59

Pray to adhere to God's Word more faithfully in your own life. Clean an area of your home each week remaining in Lent. Get rid of excess clutter, do an extra deep cleaning in one area, or reorganize a closet or dresser you have been meaning to do for some time.



□ **April 11th – Friday of the Fifth Week of Lent** – Read John 10:31-42

Pray and meditate thanking Christ for the suffering he willingly endured for our sake. Sit quietly and recall each step Jesus took along his way to the cross. Be sure not to be disturbed by your phone or other distractions.

□ **April 12th – Saturday of the Fifth Week of Lent** – Read Romans 15:13, John 11:47

Get up a little early or stay up a little late or carve a space in the middle of your day to ask yourself if you have ever faced prejudice. Also, ask the Holy Spirit for strength to remain faithful to God, even in the face of prejudice. May the Holy Spirit fill our hearts with joy and peace.

□ **April 13th – Palm/Passion Sunday** – Read Philippians 2:6-8, Luke 22:14-23:56

Pray for all Bishops, Pastors, Deacons, Teachers, musicians, and lay persons engaged in the preparations of services for this most holy week

□ **April 14th – Monday in Holy Week** – Read John 12:1-11

Imagine life without the hope and promise of salvation. Pray that all persons may experience the joy and love of Jesus given to us in our faith.

□ **April 15th – Tuesday in Holy Week** – Read John 13:21-33, 36-38

Today, provide a kind word of encouragement to a friend, family member, neighbor, or someone who may be a stranger who is having a crisis in faith and needs encouragement.

□ **April 16th – Wednesday in Holy Week** – Read Matthew 26:14-25

Pray for a true change of heart so that you might turn permanently away from all that separates you from the love of God. Is there a task you have been avoiding? Embrace it today as an act of love, offering your effort as a prayerful gift to God.

□ **April 17th – Holy / Maundy Thursday** – Read John 13:1-15

Make an effort to attend the service tonight recalling the last night Jesus sat at the table with his disciples. Experience the stripping of the chancel moving us toward Good Friday. Reflect on how you will follow Christ's example of humble obedience.

□ **April 18th – Good Friday** – Read John 18:1-19:42

Attend the Stations of the Cross service during the day or the Tenebrae service in the evening. Allow yourself to experience the depth of the Passion of Christ.

□ **April 19th – Holy Saturday – The Vigil of Easter** – Read Luke 24:1-12

Abstain from hurried activities today and make an effort to focus all your thoughts throughout the day on the death of Jesus for your salvation.

□ **April 20th – Easter Sunday – The Resurrection of the Lord** – Read John 20:1-9, Luke 24:5-6

Christ is Risen. Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia! May this special day fill your heart with renewed hope and peace. Share the news of the Risen Christ with every person you meet.





| April 6 - Lent 5 | April 13 - Palm Sunday | April 17 - Maundy Thursday | April 20 - Easter Day | April 27 - Easter 2 |
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| Isaiah 43:16-21 Psalm 126 Philippians 3:4b-14 St. John 2:1-8 | St. Luke 19:28-40 Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 31:9-16 Philippians 2:5-11 | Exodus 12:1-14 Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19 I Corinthians 11:23-26 St. John 13:1-17, | Isaiah 65:17-25 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 I Corinthians 15:19-26 St. Luke 24:1-12 | Acts 5:27-32 Psalm 150 Revelation 1:4-8 St. John 20:19-31 |

Pastoral Information

Sister Nora Frost, Interim Minister

Sister Nora's Office Hours

Monday 9AM – Noon ~ Augustana
Tuesday, 9AM – Noon ~ Grace
Wednesday, 9AM – Noon ~ Augustana
Thursday, 9AM – Noon ~ Grace
Friday, 9AM – 10:30AM ~ Grace
10:30AM – Noon ~ Augustana

Saturday & Sunday ~ Call for an appointment.

There are meetings on some mornings, as well as Zoom meetings, so please call in advance to make sure that Sister Nora is in before coming.

Please Call the Church Office or Sister Nora Directly if You are Hospitalized or Having Surgery.

Pastoral care is a ministry of Pastors and Deacons and one of the ways healing can be offered to the body of Christ. It is important for you (or someone else if you are not able) to contact the Church office or Sister Nora directly. When we are sick, have had an accident or having surgery, we need not only physical healing but spiritual healing as well. These are times when your church family can be holding you in prayer which sometimes is the best and most important thing which we can do for each other.

PLEASE allow your Interim Minister and members of your church family be part of your healing process.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Everyone is welcome!

Maundy Thursday, April 17 – 6:30 PM

Foot Washing, Communion, Sermon, Music at Augustana

Good Friday, April 18 – 12:00 Noon Stations of the Cross at Grace. We will follow the art work of a local artist which depicts the steps Jesus took on his way to the cross.

Good Friday, April 18 – 7:30 PM

Tenebrae Service at Grace. The church starts in light until by the end the church is dark. A large life-sized cross is carried in and there is both scripture readings, hymns, choir, and soloists.

Easter Vigil, April 19 – 6:30 PM

This service at Augustana begins outside with a fire and the service moves inside in darkness with those attending carrying candles. The service includes readings from the story of Creation to Jesus' Resurrection with many congregational hymns and songs, a sermon, Holy Communion, and Baptisms at the end of the service with everything in bright light.

Easter Sunday, April 20 – The Day of Resurrection. These will be festival services with lots of music, bell and vocal choirs, congregational singing, and so much more!!

7 AM and 9 AM – Grace

11 AM – Augustana

APRIL 2025 SERVER SCHEDULE

April 6 – Lent 5

Assisting Minister: Scott Watson

Lector: Scott Watson

Server: Leah Moyer

Technology Server: Mark Moyer

Ushers: Dave & Janet Ermis

April 13 – Palm Sunday

Assisting Minister: Maralee Macumber

Lector: Maralee Macumber

Server: George Scupham

Technology Server: Randy Tinder

Ushers: Jerry & Judy Duck

April 17 – Maundy Thursday

Assisting Minister: Maralee Macumber

Lector: Maralee Macumber

Server: Cayden Abner

Technology Server: Randy Tinder

Ushers: Gunnar & Diane Erickson

April 19 – Easter Vigil

Assisting Minister: Mark Moyer

Lector: Mark Moyer

Server: Jack Watson

Technology Server: Mark Moyer

Ushers: Randy & Nancy Tinder

April 20 – Easter

Assisting Minister: Nancy Tinder

Lector: Diane Erickson

Server: Dorothy Moyer

Technology Server: Mark Moyer

Ushers: Janet Moyer & Deb Rowland

April 27 – Easter 2

Assisting Minister: Scott Watson

Lector: Jerry Duck

Server: Jill Scupham

Technology Server: Jack Watson

Ushers: Ed & Janie Williams

April Altar Guild

Gina Iannarelli & Nancy Tinder

Please let the office know of any changes.

April Altar Flowers

April 6 – Given To the Glory of God

April 13 – Given by
Randy & Nancy Tinder
in Celebration of their
45th Wedding Anniversary

April 20 – Easter

April 27 – Given To the Glory of God

If the Altar Flowers are not sponsored, there will be no flowers. Two floral bouquets total \$25. That's a real deal! Many slots are available for sponsorship throughout the year. The easel is at the back of the pews. Choose your date, sign your name, and whether the flowers are in honor or memory of someone special. You may pay when you sign up or later. Either way, please use the envelope provided for your \$25. Thank you.



Blessing Bags Coordinator *STILL Needed*

There is a need for a volunteer to coordinate the Blessing Bags outreach. Please prayerfully consider whether God is calling you to be the coordinator then let the office know. A list of the processes and responsibilities is now available in the office if you would like to view it prior to making that decision. Thank you.

Did you know???

- ♦ The bulletins are finalized by 9 am on Thursdays. Any announcements, changes, or prayer requests after that time will be shared but not printed that week.
- ♦ At an average of 15 breaths per minute, we take about 400 million breaths during a lifetime. This is equivalent to about 53 million gallons of air.

Financial/ Attendance Report

[Fiscal Year Runs Jan. 1 thru Dec. 31]

**[Information thru March 31, 2025]

| Fiscal Year-to-Date Budget Requirement | Fiscal Year-to-Date Actual Funds in General Fund |
|--|--|
| \$35,815.00 | \$26,687.98 |
| March Monthly Budget Requirement | March Actual Offering to General Fund |
| \$11,940.00 | \$12,066.00 |
| APRIL Monthly Amount Needed to meet Budget Requirement | Noisy Offering Fiscal Year-to-Date |
| \$11,940.00 | \$43.00 |
| March Average Sunday In-Person Attendance | March Average Sunday Facebook Attendance |
| 30 | 7 |
| Building Fund Roof Repair Goal | Building Fund Roof Repair Year-to-Date Giving |
| \$55,147.00 | \$8,395.00 |

Approved Augustana Lutheran Church Council Minutes Highlights Of February 11, 2025

Present: Jerry Duck, Diane Erickson, Gunnar Erickson, Dave Ermis, Gina Iannarelli, Chuck Miller, Mark Moyer, Nancy Tinder, Randy Tinder, Sister Nora

Minutes from the January Council meeting were presented & unanimously approved.

***Financial reports** from January were presented. Reports were unanimously approved.

***Sister Nora's reports** were presented. Guides for Rostered Ministry Leadership and Retired Pastors and Deacons were discussed. A Mutual Ministry Committee was encouraged to be established.

***Unfinished Business:**

Call Committee - Rev. Priscillia Geerdes will be contacted to be present for the congregation vote.

Long-Range Planning - We still need more responses.

Constitution - We received the effective date of December 2024.

***New Business:**

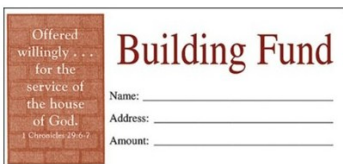
Security Camera for the parking lot was discussed. The security company will be contacted.

Library - Diane Erickson will sort through books to determine what can be given away.

Giving Envelopes - If persons no longer want them, let the office know.

Church Directories - not picked up by local people will be delivered rather than mailed.

(See full minutes on the Bulletin Board outside of the Fellowship Hall.)



Building Fund Envelopes

Please use these Building Fund Envelopes found in the pews and

narthex for your offerings to help reimburse roof repair costs. If you are unable to make it to church, you may mail in your offering check noting "Roof Repair" on the memo line. Monthly updates in meeting our goal are listed in the above chart. Thank you.



Facebook Livestream

It has been difficult to capture a realistic Facebook Livestream attendance count. We are asking that if you are watching the Sunday worship service live, later in the day, or later in the week, that you would click on the "Like" thumbs-up icon or make a comment. That way, your attendance will be captured, and we will have a more accurate count to report.

Thank you for your help!



April Fellowship Opportunities



Sunday, April 6 1st Sunday Meal-a-Month

We've been having a good time at these meals! It's good to be together! We'd love to have you plan to stay after worship for food and fellowship. You are encouraged to bring friends and neighbors with you!

The main course, Chicken Casserole, will be provided, and persons should sign up in the narthex to bring a side dish or dessert to share.

April Game Night for Augustana & Grace has been cancelled for April.

Since this is Good Friday, plan to attend Stations of the Cross at noon or Tenebrae at 7:30 PM at Grace.

FIRST WEDNESDAY BREAKFAST CLUB

Wednesday, April 2 ~ 9 AM

Meet at Perkins on Cassopolis Street.
Call Deb Rowland for reservations.

LAST THURSDAY LUNCH BUNCH Thursday, April 24 ~ Noon

Come and join your Augustana friends for lunch at our new location:

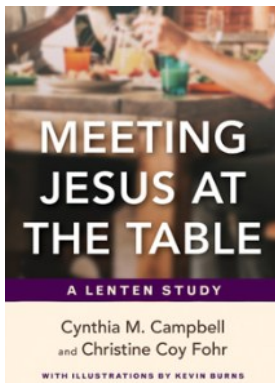
Baker's Nook Café

127 Easy Shopping Place, Elkhart

Bring a friend or neighbor with you. *Phone your reservation and the number coming to the church office by Tuesday, April 22.*

Lenten Book Study Opportunity Continues!

“Meeting Jesus at the Table”



During this six-week study we will look at Jesus sharing meals with His disciples, friends, even tax collectors and sinners. We will examine Biblical insights and explore thought-provoking questions regarding our own time of meal sharing: whom do we invite and who is left out in our culture. Each chapter includes group discussion questions as well as personal reflections. Rev. Dr. Cynthia Campbell, former President of McCormick Seminary and retired Presbyterian Pastor from Louisville, Kentucky, is co-author of this book with Rev. Christine Fohr who presently serves at Harvey Browne Presbyterian Church in Kentucky.

Cost of the book is \$8.00. Please sign up in the narthex.

| Tuesdays, 1:30-3:00 PM Grace Lutheran Church | Session Chapters | Thursdays, 6:30-8:00 PM Augustana Lutheran Church |
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| April 1 | Chapters 5 & 6 | April 3 |
| April 8 | Chapters 7 & 8 | April 10 |

Thank you for all the prayers, cards, gifts, flowers, greetings, calls, texts, and emails during my hospitalization. I felt your love and support and it certainly has been an encouragement in the recovery process. Thank you and many blessings.

~ Sister Nora



Thank you so much for the beautiful flower arrangement. I was so surprised when Bishop Tim walked in our door with the flowers. You guys totally made my Sunday. I pray your visit with Bishop Tim was enjoyable, and I'm sorry I wasn't able to attend service with you. Hopefully I'll get the chance to visit another time.

~ Blessings,
Meme Graham



Summer Camps 2025

Wow! Summer is right around the corner. We have received Summer 2025 Camp information. Specifically, Confirmation for Grades 6-9 and Lake Luther Family Camp. Registration for the camps closes two weeks prior to the start of the camp. See the posters on the bulletin board and the Summer Camp 2025 booklets on the table in the corridor to the Fellowship Hall for more information on how to register. The dates are:

Confirmation Camp Grades 6-9 – June 15-20 at Lutherwald, Howe IN
– June 22-27 at Lake Luther, Angola IN & Lutheran Hills

2025 Indiana-Kentucky Synod Assembly ~ June 5-7, Thursday-Saturday Crowne Plaza in Indianapolis ~ Union Station, 123 W Louisiana St



Both Augustana and Grace need to have one male and one female voting member present. The early bird registration fee is \$250 which includes all materials, Thursday's Banquet, Friday's lunch, and all refreshment breaks. After Friday, April 4, 2025, the fee increases to \$300.

Register on-line at <https://thithe.ly/event-registration/#/8303440> or by going to www.iksynod.org

Hotel registration must be made separately at the Crowne Plaza by phoning 317-631-2221. The group rate is \$169. Use link <https://shorturl.at/ajuLW>

Before registering and reserving a room, please talk with Sister Nora about your desire to attend and pick up the printed materials in the office.

Baptisms at the Easter Vigil

The practice of Baptism occurring at the Easter Vigil can be traced back to around AD 150 and by the early 3rd century this pattern had become firmly established. So we continue this pattern. We will baptize both adults as well as infants. At the vigil we commemorate Jesus' resurrection and the triumph of Jesus' victory over death. Baptism symbolizes the death to the old self and rebirth into new life in Christ. The water represents the washing away of sin and the cleansing power of Christ's sacrifice. During the Vigil we begin in darkness with candles, many scripture lessons are read beginning in Genesis, prayers are offered, the Sacrament of communion (The first of Easter) is celebrated and then everyone participates in the Sacrament of Baptism either by Affirmation of Baptism (for those of us already baptized or Baptism (for those adults or infants who have never been baptized.) So, if you know an adult, child, or infant in your life who is not baptized, **please speak with Sister Nora by Sunday, April 6.**



Looking Ahead

MAY HAPPENINGS

Sunday, May 4 - After worship - 1st Sunday Meal a Month

Wednesday, May 7 - Breakfast Club at Perkins

Thursday, May 8 - God's Gifts Pantry

Tuesday, May 13 - Augustana Church Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 20 - Newsletter Articles Deadline

Wednesday, May 21 - Holden Evening Prayer

Thursday, May 22 - God's Gifts Pantry

Monday, May 26 - Memorial Day - Office Closed

Thursday, May 29 - Lunch Bunch at Baker's Nook Café

All Wednesdays in April - 4 PM - Service of Holy Communion at Grace

Augustana Lutheran Church

1133 Kilbourn Street
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Join us each Sunday morning
for Fellowship in the Narthex
before & after Worship.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday ~ 8AM-Noon
Tuesday ~ 10:30AM-1:30PM
Wednesday ~ 8AM-Noon
Thursday ~ 8AM-Noon
Friday ~ OFFICE CLOSED

GOD'S GIFTS PANTRY

Sack of food & personal items
distribution every 2nd & 4th
Thursday of the month.

Phone: 574-294-3823

E-mail: secretary@augustana.comcastbiz.net

Website: www.augustanaelkhart.org

Augustana Mission Statement:

As the Body of Christ,
we are called to Love All, Serve All, Welcome All.



Take-Along Page

*Take this page with you to the grocery store
to help Augustana serve those in need.*

176 People

Served in March

God's Gifts Pantry Needs Your Help

Thursday, April 10 and **Thursday, April 24** will be our next sack distributions. Thank you to all who have brought items! We continue to serve more people each week, so your contributions are very much needed and appreciated! Please bring items to the church Sunday mornings or any time during the week during office hours, placing them in the barrels by the office. The following items are needed:

Canned chicken or tuna
Canned fruits & vegetables
Cereal & Oatmeal
Ritz or other crackers in sleeves
Pork and Beans
Boxes or bags of rice
Boxed potatoes
Peanut Butter & Jelly
Spaghetti or other pasta
Canned spaghetti sauce (red) - no glass jars
Cake mixes and frosting
Pudding - jello
Cookies (individually wrapped)
Juice - no glass jars
Non-dairy milk
Cooking oil - butter

Toothpaste & toothbrushes
Shampoo
Toilet Paper & Kleenex
Dish Soap & Laundry Detergent (not pods)
Cleaning supplies

*The following items are found at Dollar Tree:

*Mac & Cheese with foil pack
*Boxed cereals (any size or kind)
*Spaghetti-O's – pull top
*Pork n' Beans & Dogs – pull top
*canned Kid meals
*Bags or boxes of rice
*Dinty Moore Stew
*Bags of beans
*Tuna

Cans with pop-tops are preferred though we know many cans do not come that way.

NO GLASS JARS and NO EXPIRED FOOD

April 2025

Sun

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Sat

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| <p>Join us each Sunday morning for Fellowship in the Narthex before & after worship.</p> | | <p>1</p> <p>1:30-3 PM-Book Study at Grac</p> | <p>2</p> <p>9 AM-Breakfast Club at Perkins</p> <p>4 PM-Holy Communion at Grace</p> | <p>3</p> <p>6:30-8 PM-Book Study at Augustana</p> | <p>4</p> | <p>5</p> |
| <p>6</p> <p>11 AM-Worship</p> <p>12:15 PM - 1st Sunday Meal-a-Month</p> | <p>7</p> | <p>8</p> <p>1:30-3 PM-Book Study at Grace</p> <p>6:30 PM-Augustana Council Meeting</p> | <p>9</p> <p>4 PM-Holy Communion at Grace</p> | <p>10</p> <p>10-11 AM-God's Gifts Pantry</p> <p>6:30-8 PM-Book Study at Augustana</p> | <p>11</p> | <p>12</p> |
| <p>13</p> <p>11 AM-Worship Palm Sunday</p> | <p>14</p> | <p>15</p> <p>8:45 AM-Noon-Ministerium Meeting</p> | <p>16</p> <p>4 PM-Holy Communion at Grace</p> <p>6:30 PM-Holden Evening Prayer</p> | <p>17</p> <p>6:30 PM-Maundy Thursday Service at Augustana</p> | <p>18</p> <p><i>Good Friday</i></p> <p>Noon-Stations of the Cross Service at Grace</p> <p>7:30 PM-Tenebrae Service at Grace</p> | <p>19</p> <p>6:30 PM-Easter Vigil Service at Augustana</p> |
| <p>20</p> <p>11 AM-Worship Easter Day</p> | <p>21</p> | <p>22</p> <p>Newsletter Articles Deadline</p> | <p>23</p> <p>4 PM-Holy Communion at Grace</p> | <p>24</p> <p>10-11 AM-God's Gifts Pantry</p> <p>Noon-Lunch Bunch at Baker's Nook Café</p> | <p>25</p> | <p>26</p> |
| <p>27</p> <p>11 AM-Worship</p> | <p>28</p> | <p>29</p> | <p>30</p> <p>4 PM-Holy Communion at Grace</p> |  | | |