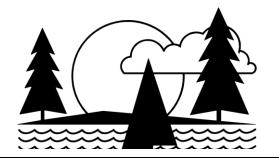
# **AES MINISTRIES**

Augustana/East Sveadahl Lutheran Churches

# **AUGUST 2025 NEWSLETTER**



# AUGUSTANA - August CIRCLES

Circles don't meet in August

### **USHERS**

Lyle Anderson, Dennis Johnson, Doug Nibbe, Bryan Nelson, Rich Olsen, Greg Thulien, Eugene Zarn, Les Zellmann

## **LECTORS**

August 3: Judy Thulien

10: AES Picnic – Joint @ East

17: Jim Moody24: Jean Leopold31: Kristen Gertsema

## ALTAR FLOWERS

Please call the church office if you wish to provide altar flowers for a particular Sunday, and your name will be placed on the schedule.

## ALTAR GUILD

Jayne Anderson, Linda Connell, Joyce Nelson, Louise Olsen, Deb Style, Deanna Hoffmann, Cec Kulseth

# **MEMORIALS**

In honor of Deacon Lyla Klee \$40.00 – Radio Broadcast

## MISSIONARY SPONSORS

Please call the church office to sponsor our Missionary. The cost is \$20.00 per week.

August: Available

## **COMMUNION SERVERS**

August 3: Lynn Watson & Dean Swenstad 10: Joint @ East

# NOISY OFFERING

Noisy Offering will be on Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup>. Donations go to Child Protective Services/Foster Care

# LITTLE FOOD PANTRY

Sewing Circle

# AUGUSTANA - August TRANSITIONS

## **TRANSFERS**

Jack Mahoney - Berg

## RADIO INFORMATION - 1370 AM

Sponsor a half hour broadcast for \$40.00.
East sponsors the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month, and the last two of the four 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of 2025.
Augustana sponsors the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month, and the first two of the four 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of 2025.
To sponsor an Augustana broadcast, call 375-4792.
August 24<sup>th</sup>: Available

### ELECTRONIC GIVING

- 1. Electronically: visit church website and click on the "Secure Contributions" tab, or scanning our QR Code
- 2. Secure Contributions: visit church Website www.augustanachurch.org
- 3. Give+Text: from your phone, text number 844-686-4439 (unique to Augustana)
- 4. Offering envelopes: through the mail or into the Drop box.

Questions? Contact Financial Secretary, Deanna Hoffman 507-317-7724.

## GREETERS

August

3: Greg & Judy Thulien

10: Joint @ East

17: Ashley Johnson

24: Jim & Jean Leopold

31: Stan & Nancy Kunkel

# MISSIONARY SPONSORS

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August: Available

## CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Lauren will be gone from August 4 – 12.

Sue Melheim will sit in the office Tuesday Aug. 5,

Wednesday Aug. 6 and Thursday Aug 7,

from 9:30 am – 11:30 am.

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### EAST

#### TRANSITIONS:

PRAYER CONCERNS: Keith, Jimmy, Deb,

Cub, Brenda, Mike, Jamie, Marie, Wynette, Darryl, Phyllis, Tim, Bruce, Sam, Tom, Chloe, Orval

#### STEWARDSHIP REPORTS:

Needed through June
Received through June
Behind through June
Received in June

\$46,045.02
36,672.59
- \$10,372.43
\$4,633.66

# Happy Birthday Happy Baptismal Date

- 1 Ron Askeland [9-8] Gavin Menssen [9-23]
- 4 Jim Callahan [9-20]
- 5 Samuel Braaten [6-7]
- 8 Matthew Anderson [9-3]
- 10 Mariah Grunewald [10-25]
  - 12 Matthew Fisch [9-24]
    Julene Hoffman [9-16]
  - 13 Andrew Beck [9-25]
  - 14 Jeren Marxen [ -73]
  - 15 Noah Frances [10-12]
  - 20 Tim Anderson [10-8]
  - 21 Keith Newberg [9-30]
  - 23 Dean Anderson [9-4]
  - 24 Lori Urevig [9-24]
  - 25 Chad Urevig [9-14]
  - 26 Evonne Moll [10-6]

Additions or corrections? Please contact Susan.

He who refreshes others will himself be refreshed.

- The Book of Proverbs

I thank my God upon every remembrance of you.

- The Book of Philippians

### STEWARDSHIP - CONTINUES

### EAST

### AUGUST RADIO BROADCASTS

August 3: First Lutheran

10: East

17: First Lutheran

24: Augustana

31: East

#### ALTAR COMMITTEE

Sonja Coleman, Julene Hoffman

#### VISITING COMMITTEE

Evonne Moll, Cathy Anderson

#### **USHERS**

Avila Family

### **LECTORS**

August 3: Wayne Jurgens

10: AES Picnic

17: NO EAST SERVICE/Threshing Bee

24: Lee Carlson

31: Evonne Moll

## RADIO SPONSORS

August 10: Teresa Andrews

August 31:

September 14:

October 12:

November 9:

December 14:

We need sponsors for the above broadcasts! If you would like to be a sponsor, please

contact Susan. Cost is \$40.00.

You've got to be very careful if you don't know where you're going, because you might not get there.

- Yogi Berra

Always laugh when you can;
it is cheap medicine.

Merriment is the sunny side of existence.

- Lord Byron

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## **AUGUST YOUTH EVENTS**

- ~ August 7 Pool Party All ROAR students and families are invited to the pool party at the St. James outdoor pool from 7-9 pm.
- ~ August 9-10 Camp Out Fun times at this event at East! Youth will participate in the worship service Sunday morning.
- ~ August 24 Bingo Youth play bingo with residents of Pleasant View. Be there at 1:45 pm.
- ~ August 27 Group Event Youth from First Lutheran, Presbyterian, and AES meet at East at 7:00 pm for an evening of fun and games!

## AES JOINT WORSHIP AND PICNIC

The Annual AES Picnic is August 10<sup>th</sup> at East -- worship is at 10:00 am followed by the picnic. All are invited! Hope to see you there!

## PASTOR MANDY WILL BE GONE

Pr. Mandy will be gone Thursday August 21<sup>st</sup> through Monday August 25<sup>th</sup>. Deacon Lyla is on call and will lead worship on August 24<sup>th</sup>.

# THANK YOUS

We would like to thank AES Ministries and all who contributed to the Bless a Camper Campaign. Your donations, prayers, and well wishes allowed nine youth from AES to attended Shetek Lutheran Bible Camp from June 29-July 1. Thank you for giving them the gift of ministry through summer bible camp.

Thank you to everyone who helped with Vacation Bible School this year. It was a huge success because of all the volunteers who dedicated their time and talents. Thank you! Pastor Mandy

#### Dear Friends.

What a wonderful day Sunday, June 29th, was for me. It was a day when I was reminded that God has blessed me the past 60 years with people like you who have made my ministry possible. It's always been "team work", everyone working together to share God's love with those in the neighborhoods where we live and work.

Thanks to all who celebrated with me, the church councils for arranging this day, to Pastor Mandy for her kind words, for those who prepared and served the delicious luncheon following the service, and for the beautiful gold cross with a diamond in the center (diamond to represent 60 years) from both congregations.

I have appreciated every card, gift, and kind words you have shared with me. "God is good" and you have shown me that. May God continue to work in and through us as we move out into our "hurting world" to love and serve in Jesus' name.

Love and thanks, Deacon Lyla

Thanks to the Augustana WELCA for their greeting and monetary gift in honor of my birthday and my 60 years in ministry. So kind and thoughtful.

Lyla Klee

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# AUGUSTANA FINANCIAL FACTS JUNE 2025

 June
 YTD

 Total Giving
 \$ 11,930.72
 \$ 81,218.22

 Total Expenses
 - \$ 19,617.44
 - \$ 101,287.87

 - \$ 7,686.72
 - \$ 20,069.65

Respectfully Submitted, Lauren Moll - Treasurer

#### **AES JOINT COUNCIL MINUTES – did not meet**

#### EAST SVEADAHL CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES – July 10, 2025

The East Sveadahl Church Council met on Thursday, July 10 at 7 pm. Those present were Dale Anderson, Tom Anderson, Wayne Jurgens, Janet Bloomquist, Lori Urevig, Cindy Torkelson, Pastor Mandy, Sonja Coleman, and Susan Anderson.

Absent: Kris Suess

Tom Anderson, Council Chairman, called the meeting to order and opened with prayers brought forth by the council.

Secretary Janet read the June 12, 2025 minutes. They were approved as read.

Sonja Coleman, Financial Secretary, presented her report. In the absence of Kris Suess, Treasurer, Tom presented her written report. A motion by Janet, seconded by Cindy, and passed to approve the report as presented.

Tom presented the outstanding bills. A motion by Dale, seconded by Wayne, and passed to approve paying of bills.

A discussion took place on contracting for LP. A motion by Janet, seconded by Cindy, and passed to contract the same amount as last year at the cost of \$1.64 per gallon.

It was decided that the noisy offering for July will be given to the Texas Flood Relief through Lutheran Disaster Response.

### **PASTOR MANDY'S REPORT:**

- VBS is next week with 78 children signed up to attend.
- Bible Camp kids had lots of fun.
- Deacon Lyla has shared with Pastor Mandy how much she appreciated her party on Sunday, June 29.
- Pastor Mandy has had one graveside service at East and one service at Sturm Funeral Home.
- Sunday, August 3 will be new member Sunday at both churches.
- Thursday, August 7 all ROAR students and families are welcome to an outdoor swim event 7-9 p.m. at the St. James Pool.
- Saturday, August 9 is an AES youth overnight campout.
- Sunday, August 10 is the annual AES Picnic.
- Sunday, August 17 is the Threshing Bee in Butterfield. East will not have a church service that day but are all welcome to attend the Threshing Bee service.
- Sunday, August 24, Deacon Lyla will be leading both services.
- Wednesday, August 27 is the rescheduled Ecumenical youth night at East from 7-9 p.m.

A discussion took place on doing a new church directory for AES Ministry. More information to follow.

#### **AES REPORT:**

No meeting since last report.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

• Work Day on Saturday, June 14 was a great success. Thanks to all who helped.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

• Finalized AES annual picnic plans.

As there was no further business, a motion by Janet, seconded by Wayne, and passed to adjourn.

The next church council meeting will be August 14, 2025.

We closed with the Nicene Creed.

Respectfully submitted, Janet Bloomquist, Council Secretary

#### **AUGUSTANA CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES – July 9, 2025**

Present: Sandy Berg, Jodi Coleman, John Coleman, Pastor Mandy, Darrick Miest, Bob Moll, Jeff Price, Lynn

Watson, Stan Kunkel, Deanna Hoffmann & Lauren Moll

Absent: Jill Beckius, Dean Swenstad, Andy Freitag

**REPORTS:** 

June 11<sup>th</sup> minutes were reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Darrick and seconded by Lynn.

**Treasurer:** Lauren presented the Treasurer's report. Motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Lynn and seconded by Sandy.

**Giving:** Deanna presented the giving report.

**Pr. Mandy's report:** one baptism of twins, one funeral for a nonmember at the funeral home, VBS is planned for July 21 - 24, many youth and adults are helping with the planning. Activities and programs are being planned for next year. Good feedback from parishioners on the new hymnals.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Education:** Plans for VBS July 21-24, Swimming Pool Party for August 7<sup>th</sup> sponsored by ROAR.

Evangelism/Social Ministry: Did not meet this month Worship, Music & Technology: Did not meet this month

**Finance:** Did not meet this month

**Property/Cemetery:** Did not meet this month

**Youth/Ministry:** July/August project planned, will be doing Bingo at the nursing home again. Bingo at the nursing home is a big hit with both the nursing home residents and the youth.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Stewardship:** Discussion about adding information to the pre-Church Facebook broadcast to show what the Church is doing in our community, pictures, and stewardship projects. Planning community meals for this Fall is possible.

**Membership List/Directory:** Research was presented and options were discussed. It was decided to bring to the joint council to see if East Sveadahl would be interested in doing this together.

AES Picnic is planned for August 10<sup>th</sup>, Augustana will be providing burgers and hot dogs.

New Member Sunday is planned for August 3. We currently have one new member planning to join and a few others that may.

The meeting was adjourned, and we closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Jodi Coleman

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# AUGUSTSCHEDULE

August 3: New Member Sunday at both churches

9:00 am [E] Communion 10:30 am [A] Communion

August 10: AES Pícníc

10:00 am [E] Communion Worship lunch follows

August 17: No Worship Service at East - Threshing Bee

10:30 am [A] Worship

August 24: Deacon Lyla leads worship in both churches

9:00 am [E] Worship 10:30 am [A] Worship

August 31: 9:00 am [E] Worship 10:30 am [A] Worship

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Augustana & East Sveadahl Lutheran Churches
Pastor Mandy France Visitation Deacon Lyla Klee