

# AES MINISTRIES

EAST SVEADAHN LUTHERAN CHURCH – AUGUSTANA LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

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**"Congregations joined in faith and fellowship to spread God's love."**

Mission Statement of AES Ministries

**Welcome to all who worship with us today! All are welcome at the Lord's Table!**

## WORSHIP SERVICE 8

**PRELUDE, RINGING OF THE BELL, WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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**THE GREETING and KYRIE**

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**CANTICLE OF PRAISE**

“This is the Feast”

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**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

L: Let us pray ...

**C: You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**FIRST LESSON Zechariah 9:9-12**

<sup>9</sup> Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. <sup>10</sup> He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth. <sup>11</sup> As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. <sup>12</sup> Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

L: Word of God, word of Life.      **C: Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 145:8-14**

<sup>8</sup> The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

<sup>9</sup> **Lord, you are good to all, and your compassion is over all your works.**

<sup>10</sup> All your works shall praise you, O Lord, and your faithful ones shall bless you.

<sup>11</sup> **They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power,**

<sup>12</sup> that all people may know of your power and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

<sup>13</sup> **Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages.**

**You, Lord, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.**

<sup>14</sup> The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up those who are bowed down.

## SECOND READING Romans 7:15-25a

<sup>15</sup> I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. <sup>16</sup> Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. <sup>17</sup> But in fact it is no longer I who do it but sin that dwells within me. <sup>18</sup> For I know that the good does not dwell within me, that is, in my flesh. For the desire to do the good lies close at hand, but not the ability. <sup>19</sup> For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. <sup>20</sup> Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it but sin that dwells within me.

<sup>21</sup> So I find it to be a law that, when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. <sup>22</sup> For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, <sup>23</sup> but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members.

<sup>24</sup> Wretched person that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? <sup>25a</sup> Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

L: Word of God, Word of Life. C: **Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

“Alleluia”

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## HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the eleventh chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] <sup>16</sup> “To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, <sup>17</sup> ‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.’ <sup>18</sup> “For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; <sup>19</sup> the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.” <sup>25</sup> At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; <sup>26</sup> yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. <sup>27</sup> All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

<sup>28</sup> “Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup> Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup> For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## MESSAGE

## HYMN OF THE DAY

“Shall We Gather at the River”

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## APOSTLES’ CREED

Back of hymnal

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

## SHARING THE PEACE

## THE OFFERING

## OFFERTORY RESPONSE

“Thank You, Lord”

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## OFFERTORY PRAYER

## HOLY COMMUNION

*Here at East Sveadahl we are committed to the inclusion of all God's people, with no exception. Therefore, we practice open communion, welcoming all to the table to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. Juice (light color) and wine (dark red) are both available. Individually wrapped gluten free wafers are available as well. If you would like to receive communion, but are unable to physically come forward, please indicate that to an usher and communion will be brought to you.*

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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**THE LORD'S PRAYER  
DISTRIBUTION HYMN  
POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

“Let Freedom Ring” Lisa

**BLESSING**

**SENDING SONG** “O Beautiful for Spacious Skies” #888

**DISMISSAL**

**P:** Go in peace, love and serve the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God!**

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Lector: Lee Carlson

July 12: Wes Beck

Usher: Mariah Grunewald

The Service of Christian Burial was held for **Wayne Donald Anderson** on Tuesday, June 30, 2026. He was born March 10, 1947 and passed away June 7, 2026. May God’s peace comfort his family and friends.

**Prayer Concerns:** Family and friends of Wayne Anderson, Jaymi Dader (granddaughter of Vernon & Evelyn Johnson), Dee Kleinow, Mike Menssen, Francey Anderson, Lindsey Kulseth, Nolan O’Connor, Brenda Watson, Darrell Ask, Jamie (Noren) Seiner, Marie Christenson, Phyllis Jurgens, Dave Finnegan, Tim Knaak, Don Flater, Bruce Ohland, Sam Christenson, Melissa Anderson, Steven Olson, Tom Anderson, Chloe Anderson, Orval Larson, and Emma Overson.

Lorita is doing a kickoff for **Christmas Child Samaritan’s Purse!** She is asking everyone to bring something to place in a shoe box from now until July 25<sup>th</sup> -- Christmas in July. There will be a box in the meeting room or you can contact her with a financial donation. Here is a link to some ideas: [Official Shoebox Gift Suggestions](#); there is also list on the meeting room door. NO: soap; candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; scary or war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; seeds; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans

On behalf of our youth and church family, we extend our sincere gratitude to everyone who contributed to helping our 12 youth attend summer camp at Shetek by donating to the Bless a Camper Campaign. As the campers prepare for their time at Shetek, they and their families extend their heartfelt gratitude for your generosity. Your willingness to invest in the lives of these young people has made this opportunity possible, and they are truly thankful for your kindness, support, and encouragement.

Sincerely, Trish Anderson and the AES youth attending Shetek Camp

**Activities this week: July 6 – July 12**

Tuesday 2:15 pm Augustana worship on cable tv  
Thursday 7:00 pm Church Council  
Sunday 9:00 am Communion Worship, East  
10:30 am Communion Worship, Augustana  
11:30 am Radio Broadcast on 1370AM  
2:00 pm AES Youth Bingo at Pleasant View  
6:00 pm Walking Club, Augustana