

AES MINISTRIES

EAST SVEADAHN and AUGUSTANA LUTHERAN CHURCHES

The Resurrection of Our Lord

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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 on this Easter Sunday!

All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

PRELUDE RINGING OF THE BELL WELCOME ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

P: The tomb is dark, but empty.

C: The one you are looking for has overcome the darkness.

P: The stone has been rolled away.

C: The one you are looking for has overcome death.

P: The burial clothes are put aside.

C: The one you are looking for is alive.

P: Christ is Risen!

C: Christ is Risen Indeed! Let us worship our Risen Savior!

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P: Refreshed by the resurrection life we share in Christ, let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We thank you, risen Christ, for these waters where you make us new, leading us from death to life, from tears to joy. We bless you, risen Christ, that your Spirit comes to us in the grace-filled waters of rebirth, like rains to our thirsting earth, like streams that revive our souls, like cups of cool water shared with strangers. Breathe your peace on your church when we hide in fear. Clothe us with your mercy and forgiveness. Send us companions on our journey as we share your life. Make us one, risen Christ. Cleanse our hearts. Shower us with life. To you be given all praise, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

ELW #365

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray . . .

C: O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING Acts 10:34-43

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good; God's mercy endures forever.

²**Let Israel now declare, "God's mercy endures forever."**

¹⁴The LORD is my strength and my song and has become my salvation.

¹⁵**Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"**

¹⁶The right hand of the LORD is exalted! The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"

¹⁷**I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.**

¹⁸The LORD indeed punished me sorely, but did not hand me over to death.

¹⁹**Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.**

²⁰"This is the gate of the LORD; here the righteous may enter."

²¹**I give thanks to you, for you have answered me and you have become my salvation.**

²²The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

²³**By the LORD has this been done; it is marvelous in our eyes.**

²⁴This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

SECOND READING I Corinthians 15:1-11

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!"

vs.1 and refrain #382

THE HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 28:1-10

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.

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

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S TIME

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds"

#367

APOSTLES' CREED

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EASTER PRAYERS

P: Lord in your mercy ...

C: **Hear our prayer.**

SHARING THE PEACE

OFFERING

OFFERING HYMN

OFFERTORY PRAYER

HOLY COMMUNION

Here at East Sveadahl and AES Ministries we are committed to the inclusion of all God's people, with no exceptions. Therefore, we practice open communion, welcoming all to the table to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. Juice (light color) and the 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. The distribution today will be continuous communion.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“Let Us Break Bread Together”	#471
“Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound”	#779
“This Little Light of Mine”	#677
“Lord, I Lift Your Name on High”	#857

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

EASTER BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN

“Thine Is the Glory”

#376

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

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Lector: Janet Bloomquist

April 12: Augustana

Ushers: Dale and Deb Anderson

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Prayer Concerns: Janet Bloomquist, Lindsey Kulseth, Debbie McGuire, Roger Hagen, Nolan O'Connor, Brenda Watson, Darrell Ask, Dennis Johnson, Mike Larson, Jamie (Noren) Seiner, Marie Christenson, Darryl Jensen, Phyllis Jurgens, Dave Finnegan, Tim Knaak, Don Flater, Bruce Ohland, Sam Christenson, Melissa Anderson, Steven Olson, Tom Anderson, Chloe Anderson, Orval Larson, Dennis Madison, Linda Madison, and Emma Overson.

Daxtyn Anderson, Brogan Eineke, Dakota & Gavin Menssen took their First Communion on Maundy Thursday at Augustana.

Thank you for all the Easter lilies and plants! You may take your lily or plant home today.

Order forms for the Youth **Hanging Basket Fundraiser** were in the newsletter and are on the table in the narthex of each church.

Next Sunday is a Joint Communion Worship at **9:00am** at Augustana. Bishop Dee Pederson will join us during worship and share a presentation about our sister South African synod during coffee hour.

The **Augustana office** is closed April 6th, 8th, and 9th.

There is a meeting for the **National Youth Gathering** Sunday, April 12th, 6:30pm at Augustana. One parent must attend with their youth.

BLESS A CAMPER: If you are able and want to help our youth go to summer camp at Shetek Lutheran Ministries, please consider taking an envelope from the posters at East or Augustana. If you have any questions, please reach out to Tricia Anderson at 507-220-8236. Thank you!

Worship Times Switch – April 19th – East at 9:00 am; Augustana at 10:30am

Activities this week: April 6 – April 12

Monday Augustana Office Closed
9:30 am Rebecca Circle, Augustana
6:00 pm Education Committee, Augustana

Tuesday 2:15 pm Augustana on Cable TV

Wednesday Augustana Office Closed
6:00 pm ROAR, Augustana
6:00 pm Committee Meetings, Augustana
7:00 pm Augustana Council

Thursday Augustana Office Closed
7:00 pm East Council

Sunday **9:00 am Joint Communion Worship, Augustana with Bishop Pederson**
10:00 am Coffee Hour, Augustana
11:30 am Radio Broadcast 1370 AM
6:30 pm National Youth Gathering meeting, Augustana

EASTER LILIES and PLANTS

In loving memory of *Loved Ones* from

Steve and Charlotte Johnson and family
Kris and Tom Suess and family
Dale and Debbie Anderson and family
Julene Hoffman and Jimmy Anderson.
Ken and Evonne Moll
Lisa Shellum, Lori Urevig and families

In honor of **our Children** from Tom and Cathy Anderson.

In loving memory of *Lowell* and *Loved Ones* from Janet Bloomquist and family.

In loving memory of *Kathy Christenson and Loved Ones* from Bryon Christenson and family.

In loving memory of *Herbert and Karen Noren and Loved Ones* from their families.

In honor of the **Noren Family** from Ron's family and Jerry's family.

In loving memory of *Ray, Leola, Jerry, Barb, and Todd Anderson, and Ron Fast* from Doug, Betty, Francey, and families.

In loving memory of the *Torkelson and Gustafson Families* from Paul and Cindy Torkelson and family.

In loving memory of *James Hage* from Diane Hage and family.

In loving memory of *Erma Griffith and Loved Ones* from Nick Griffith.

In loving memory of *Grandmother Kathleen* and *Grandfather Leroy* from Lee and Susie Carlson.