

Augustana Lutheran Church

Lutherans and Anglicans worshipping together

ANNOUNCEMENTS

10:30 AM, November 12, 2023

24th Sunday after Pentecost

Augustana's 2nd Vision Session occurred on Nov. 5th. Thank you to all who were able to participate and for your commitment to this process. Our 3rd Vision Session is planned for Sunday, Dec. 3rd after church. Our hope is that by the end of these sessions, we will have a much clearer understanding of what we are about and how that is going to shape our shared life and ministry together going forward.

Tickets are sold out for Augustana's Social Supper, Saturday November 18th beginning at 6 pm with supper to be served at 6:30. However, if you would like to support this event with your time and talents, there is a signup sheet in the Narthex by the poster.

Redeemer Lutheran will be hosting an Advent-Christmas Market and Tea on Saturday, November 25th, 10 AM – 3 PM. A market of hand-made crafts, handwork, baking, sewing/quilting & more for sale. We are looking for creative crafts people to be part of this market by showing and selling your hand-made creations. We are now taking bookings for tables (\$10/table). Table space is limited. For further information or to book a craft table, please call Redeemer at 306-7585 or email redemer.luther.stoon@sasktel.net. Proceeds from the Tea and "New to You" Christmas area will go towards an Advent-Mission project.

Augustana ELW meeting and Bible Study for November will be held on Monday, November 27th at 2:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. All ladies are invited and encouraged to attend.

Augustana ELW will again be sending a financial Christmas & Birthday gift to their adopted child, Amsa. If you are interested in contributing to this gift, you may place your donation in the offering plate, marked accordingly. All your donations are very much appreciated.

The J.O.Y. Group invites you to a very interesting and informative presentation on Thursday, November 16th at 2:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Our special guest speaker for the afternoon will be Alex Pelletier whose topic will be "*Behind the Scenes of a National Geographic Expedition to the Amazon*". Discover what jungle life is really like, and discuss why we still know so little about the Amazon. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend this exciting presentation!

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada has joined with **Canadian Lutheran World Relief** in responding to the ongoing crisis in Gaza, where a massive humanitarian emergency is unfolding. Together with the Humanitarian Coalition - an alliance of twelve leading Canadian aid agencies - CLWR is seeking to provide critical life-saving aid in Gaza where estimates indicate that more than one million people have been forced to leave their homes and over 4,300 killed. **Until midnight tonight, your gift will be matched by the Government of Canada.** Please join us in prayer and consider making a gift to provide critical life-saving aid to those affected. To find out more or to donate, please visit clwr.org/gaza or call 1-800-661-2597 (Mon-Fri 8:30am-4pm CST).

The Prairie Centre for Ecumenism is pleased to invite you to participate in an **Ecumenical Book Club!** Join us for four Wednesday evening zoom sessions as we study the book, *Grassroots Ecumenism* by Karen Petersen Finch. This study group will be led The Rev. Marie-Louise Ternier and Cathryn Wood, Executive Director of the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism. The study will run from **November 15th - December 6th**; 7:00-8:30pm. The cost of the book is approximately \$35 CAD. Limited copies will be available through the Prairie Centre for purchase. Please email admin@pcecumenism.ca to register and for book ordering details.

ELCJHL Bishop Dr. Sani-Ibrahim Azar, recently shared an update with the ELCIC on the escalating violence in the West Bank and the impact of the war on the church. In his letter he noted: due to the increase in violence, schools have had to close; checkpoints between the West Bank and Jerusalem have been nearly completely closed off preventing many people in these communities from being able to travel to and from work; and there has been a devastating impact on families livelihoods. The ELCIC invites members to support the ELCJHL Emergency Appeal through prayers and financial support with a goal of covering one month of expenses (teachers & pastor salaries included) for the ELCJHL, totalling \$263,000. **Financial donations may be given through your local congregation by designating your offering to ELCJHL Appeal OR Online through the ELCIC National Office at secure.elcic.ca.**

Lutheran Theological Seminary Saskatoon is conducting a series of short surveys to assess the presence of lay leadership in ministries and congregations and to determine how we might support lay leaders. Please fill out this six-question survey as we engage in this important and necessary work together. <https://forms.gle/yCp17ET4NeK2ed6BA>
Thank you so much for your continued collaboration and support. You are a blessing to us and our work here at LTS.