

## First Reading

1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26

<sup>18</sup>**SAMUEL WAS MINISTERING** before the LORD, a boy wearing a linen ephod. <sup>19</sup>His mother used to make for him a little robe and take it to him each year, when she went up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice. <sup>20</sup>Then Eli would bless Elkanah and his wife, and say, "May the LORD repay you with children by this woman for the gift that she made to the LORD"; and then they would return to their home.

<sup>26</sup>Now the boy Samuel continued to grow both in stature and in favor with the LORD and with the people.

## Second Reading

Colossians 3: 12-17

<sup>12</sup>**AS GOD'S CHOSEN ONES**, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. <sup>13</sup>Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. <sup>14</sup>Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. <sup>15</sup>And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. <sup>16</sup>Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. <sup>17</sup>And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

## Gospel

Luke 2:41-52

<sup>41</sup>**NOW EVERY YEAR** [Jesus'] parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. <sup>42</sup>And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. <sup>43</sup>When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. <sup>44</sup>Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. <sup>45</sup>When they did not find him,

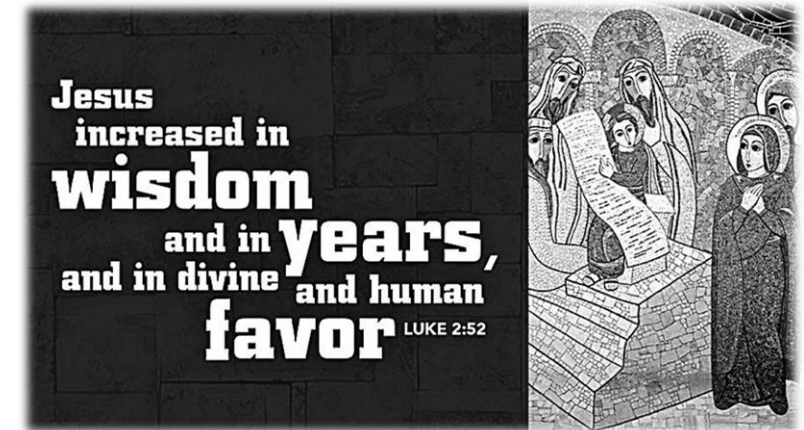
they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. <sup>46</sup>After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. <sup>47</sup>And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. <sup>48</sup>When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety." <sup>49</sup>He said to them, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" <sup>50</sup>But they did not understand what he said to them. <sup>51</sup>Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart.

<sup>52</sup>And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.



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## FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS December 26, 2021



## AUGUSTANA

*Lutherans and Anglicans worshipping together*  
(A congregation of the ELCIC,  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada)



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# AUGUSTANA LUTHERAN CHURCH



FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

ELW - *Setting 4*

10:30 AM December 26, 2021

## GATHERING

Prelude  
 Announcements & Welcome  
 Confession and Forgiveness\*  
 Gathering Hymn: "O, Little Town of Bethlehem" #229  
 Prayer of the Day  
 Hymn of Praise: "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" #288

## THE WORD

First Reading: 1 Samuel 2<sup>nd</sup> 18-20, 26  
 Special Music: "Love Came Down at Christmas"  
 Second Reading: Colossians 3<sup>rd</sup> 12-17  
 Gospel Acclamation: "In a Lowly Manger Born" #718  
 Gospel: Luke 2:41-52  
 Meditation  
 Hymn of the Day: "Your Little Ones, Dear Lord" #286  
 Prayers of the People: "Merciful God, . . . receive our prayer"  
 The Lord's Prayer, page 154

## SENDING

Blessing  
 Sending Hymn: "Angels We Have Heard on High" #289  
 Dismissal

*Thank you to all those who assist with the technical: Michael Diegel, D.-Jay Krozser,, Katie Ottley, Alexa Wallace, Karen Wallace, and today Greg Fowlie-Neufeld and Bryan Tastad.*

*Thank you to our reader Ruth Zuk, musician Deborah Buck, and ushers Edith and Lorne Carlson for assisting in worship today. Also thanks to Sharon Buck for the special music.*

*Last week's attendance: 30*



**PLEASE PLACE YOUR OFFERINGS FOR TODAY IN THE PLATES AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH.**

**PLEASE BE SURE TO SIGN-IN AT FRONT ENTRANCE FOR ATTENDING WORSHIP.**

# WELCOME TO AUGUSTANA

*Lutherans and Anglicans worshipping together*

We are a Christ-centered, welcoming community. We commit ourselves to modeling Christ's unconditional love in our worship, learning, fellowship, friendship, and service to others. Just as God welcomes and cares for us, so we welcome everyone to participate in all aspects of our community, without regard to sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, race, culture or ethnic background, physical or mental abilities, family or economic status, gender, or age. We pledge to ourselves and all others that we will strive to live as a reconciling people in our life together and in our outreach to the world.

Thank you for sharing in worship here today.  
 May God's abundant grace be a blessing to you,  
 a source of strength and hope.

## AUGUSTANA CHURCH COUNCIL

Chair	Dawn Ingram	306-375-4702
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## Our Parish Calendar

Sunday	10:30 am	Evangelical Lutheran Worship
Wednesday	7:00 pm	The Living Room NA Group
Saturday	3:30 pm	The Tea Room AA Group
Sunday	10:30 am	Evangelical Lutheran Worship

## \*Confession and Forgiveness:

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,  
 who sends the word with angels,  
 who is made flesh among all peoples,  
 and who breathes peace on all the earth.

**Amen.**

In Christ, we are bold to name our sin and cry out for peace.  
*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Holy God,

**we confess our sin before you.**

**We replace compassion with competition.**

**We seek what is mighty while ignoring the meek.**

**We are quick to anger but slow to forgive.**

**We have not put on love in harmony with you.**

**Wrap us in the grace of your powerful Word.  
 Swaddle our hearts with your peace,  
 that all we do, in word or deed,  
 may reflect your love born among us.  
 Amen.**

I bring you good news of great joy for all people:  
 God has come among us  
 in the child born of Mary, Christ the Lord.  
 ☩ In Christ your sins are forgiven  
 and you are clothed in peace.  
**Amen.**

## Gospel Acclamation: "In a Lowly Manger Born"

In a lowly manger born,  
 humble life begun in scorn;  
 Under Joseph's watchful eye,  
 Jesus grew as you and I;  
 Knew the suff'rings of the weak,  
 knew the patience of the meek,  
 hungered as but poor folk can;  
 This is he. Behold the man!

Visiting the lone and lost,  
 steadying the tempest tossed,  
 giving of himself in love,  
 calling minds to things above.  
 Sinners gladly hear his call;  
 Publicans before him fall,  
 for in him new life began;  
 This is he. Behold the man!

Then, to rescue you and me,  
 Jesus died upon the tree.  
 See in him God's love revealed;  
 By his passion we are healed.  
 Now he lives in glory bright,  
 lives again in pow'r and might;  
 Come and take the path he trod,  
 son of Mary, Son of God.

In relation to **2021 charitable donations**, the final deposit of cash and cheque offerings contributed to Augustana will be **December 30<sup>th</sup> at 2pm**. We kindly ask that you provide any Year End contributions before 12pm on December 30th so as to be counted correctly for your 2021 tax receipt statements. E-Transfers will still be accepted on Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Augustana** - Hymns for the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Christmas  
Dec. 26, 2021

GATHERING SONG: “*O Little Town of Bethlehem*”  
ELW #279

O little town of Bethlehem,  
how still we see thee lie!  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep  
The silent stars go by;  
Yet in thy dark streets shineth  
the everlasting light.  
The hopes and fears of all the years  
are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary,  
and, gathered all above  
while mortals sleep, the angels keep  
Their watch of wond’ring love.  
O morning stars, together  
proclaim the holy birth,  
and praises sing to God the king,  
and peace to all the earth!

How silently, how silently  
the wondrous gift is giv’n!  
So God imparts to human hearts  
the blessings of his heav’n.  
No ear may hear his coming;  
But, in this world of sin,  
where meek souls will receive him still,  
the dear Christ enters in.

O holy Child of Bethlehem,  
descend to us, we pray;  
Cast out our sin, and enter in,  
be born in us to-day.  
We hear the Christmas angels  
the great glad tidings tell;  
Oh come to us, abide with us,  
our Lord Immanuel!

HYMN OF PRAISE: “*Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*”  
ELW #288

Good Christian friends, rejoice  
with heart and soul and voice;  
give ye heed to what we say:  
Jesus Christ is born today;  
Ox and ass before him bow,  
and he is in the manger now.  
Christ is born today!  
Christ is born today!

Good Christian friends, rejoice  
with heart and soul and voice;  
now ye hear of endless bliss:  
Jesus Christ was born for this!  
He has opened heaven's door,  
and we are blest forevermore.  
Christ was born for this!  
Christ was born for this!

Good Christian friends, rejoice  
with heart and soul and voice;  
now ye need not fear the grave:  
Jesus Christ was born to save!  
Calls you one and calls you all  
to gain the everlasting hall.  
Christ was born to save!  
Christ was born to save!

HYMN OF THE DAY: “*Your Little Ones, Dear Lord*”  
ELW #286

Your little ones, dear Lord, are we,  
and come your lowly bed to see;  
enlighten ev’ry soul and mind,  
that we the way to you may find.

With songs we hasten you to greet,  
and kiss the ground before your feet.  
Oh, blessed hour, oh, sweetest night  
that gave you birth, our soul's delight.

Oh, draw us wholly to you, Lord,  
and to us all your grace accord;  
true faith and love to us impart,  
that we may hold you in our heart.

Until at last we too proclaim,  
with all your saints, your glorious name;  
in paradise our songs renew,  
and praise you as the angels do.

SENDING SONG: “*Angels We Have Heard on High*”  
ELW #289

Angels we have heard on high,  
sweetly singing o'er the plains,  
and the mountains in reply,  
echoing their joyous strains.

**Refrain:**

Glo-ri-a, in excelsis De-o;  
Glo-ri-a, in excelsis De-o.

Shepherds, why this jubilee?  
Why your joyous strains prolong?  
What the gladsome tidings be  
which inspire your heav’nly song? **[Refrain]**

Come to Bethlehem and see  
him whose birth the angels sing;  
Come, adore on bended knee  
Christ the Lord, the newborn King. **[Refrain]**

