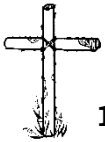


# AUGUSTANA LUTHERAN CHURCH



2ND SUNDAY IN LENT  
ELW – *Setting 1*

10:30 AM February 25, 2024

## GATHERING

### PRELUDE & WELCOME

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING HYMN: “O God, My Faithful God” #806 ELW

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*Leader:* Often the first step to change is listening. . . . So, let us confess, silently and then together...

Listening God,

**All:** Take what is closed in us and open it.

Take what is distracted in us and settle it.

Take what is hurting in us and hold it.

Take any and all parts of us that create distance from you.

*Leader:* For we are like Peter, O God.

**All:** We argue what we don’t know.

We fear what we cannot see.

And we almost always speak sooner than we listen.

*Leader:* So, open us, settle us, hold us, and forgive us.

**All:** We long to hear you more clearly.

We long to know you more fully.

With hope we pray,

And with gratitude we confess. Amen.

*Leader:* Siblings in Christ,

We confess with gratitude because we know that God already has heard and forgiven us. No matter what we have done or left undone, we are held in God’s hand. So, rest in this good news:

**All:** God invites us in.

God meets us where we are.

God hears our prayers.

God forgives us.

Thanks be to God for a love like that.

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**All:** And also with you.

KYRIE, p. 98

### GATHERING PRAYER

## THE WORD

FIRST READING: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

### CHILDREN’S TIME

PSALM: Psalm 22:23-31

<sup>23</sup>You who fear the Lord, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him; stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!

**All:** <sup>24</sup>For he did not despise or abhor  
the affliction of the afflicted;  
he did not hide his face from me,  
but heard when I cried to him.

<sup>25</sup>From you comes my praise in the great congregation;  
my vows I will pay before those who fear him.

**All:** <sup>26</sup>The poor shall eat and be satisfied;  
those who seek him shall praise the Lord.

May your hearts live forever!

<sup>27</sup>All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord;  
and all the families of the nations shall worship before him.

**All:** <sup>28</sup>For dominion belongs to the Lord,  
and he rules over the nations.

<sup>29</sup>To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down;  
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust,  
and I shall live for him.

**All:** <sup>30</sup>Posterity will serve him;  
future generations will be told about the Lord,

<sup>31</sup>and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn,  
saying that he has done it.

**All:** All the ends of the earth shall remember  
and turn to the Lord

SECOND READING: Romans 4:13-25

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: “Let Your Steadfast Love Come”, p.103

GOSPEL: Mark 8:31-38

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

*Leader:* The gospel of the Lord.

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

## SERMON



HYMN OF THE DAY: “My Hope is Built on Nothing Less” #596 ELW

*(The offering for the life and ministry of this place can now be received.)*

## OFFERING PRAYER

SHARING OF THE PEACE, p. 106

*Leader:* The peace of Christ be with you always.

**All:** And also with you.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: “God of grace – hear our prayer”

*Prayers of the People adapted from Rev. Anne Morris, Lent 2*

THE LORD’S PRAYER, p. 112

## SENDING

### BLESSING

SENDING HYMN: “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus” #802 ELW

### DISMISSAL:

*Leader:* Go in peace. Listen for God’s calling.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

### POSTLUDE

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*Thank you to our lector Chris Martin, Cherie & Linda Jarock, musician Mik Bickis, and technical support Karen Wallace for assisting in worship today. Thanks also to the coffee crew of Marilyn & Greg Fowlie-Neufeld.*

*Last Sunday’s in-person attendance: 52*

Please keep in your thoughts and hearts those in need of our prayers, especially Alice, Ann Jane, Audrey, Brodie, Bruce, Carrie, Danielle, Deanna, Doug, Elma, Evelyn K, Evelyn S, Gayle, James & Karin, Jim S, Karen, Kevin, Lynda, Lisa, Marlene & Ron, Mildred, Minnie, Nori, Ron F., Scott U., Shelby & Don, Sharon, Gord & Natalie.

**Offering & Income for Feb. to date: \$15,589**

*Including PAR: \$5580 & 1209 Rent: \$1855*

**Expenses for Feb. to date: \$16,100**



*We gratefully accept offerings via e-transfer to [augustana@sasktel.net](mailto:augustana@sasktel.net) (full name and address required for a tax receipt) or donate with credit card through Canada Helps (donate button on the Augustana website <http://augustanasaskatoon.net/>). OR sign up for PAR. Please ensure envelopes put in the offering plates have an envelope no. or address.*

**People in Need requests:** Men’s Winter jacket, large, gently used for a university student & a Twin Mattress, gently used for Mother & child.

**First Reading – Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16**

<sup>1</sup>WHEN ABRAM WAS NINETY-NINE YEARS OLD, THE LORD APPEARED to Abram, and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. <sup>2</sup>And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.” <sup>3</sup>Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, <sup>4</sup>“As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. <sup>5</sup>No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. <sup>6</sup>I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. <sup>7</sup>I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.”

<sup>15</sup>God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. <sup>16</sup>I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

**Second Reading – Romans 4:13-25**

<sup>13</sup>THE PROMISE THAT HE WOULD INHERIT THE WORLD DID NOT COME TO ABRAHAM or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup>If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup>For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

<sup>16</sup>For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, <sup>17</sup>as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”)—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. <sup>18</sup>Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become “the father of many nations,” according to what was said, “So numerous shall your descendants be.” <sup>19</sup>He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. <sup>20</sup>No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, <sup>21</sup>being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. <sup>22</sup>Therefore his faith “was reckoned to him as righteousness.” <sup>23</sup>Now the words, “it was reckoned to him,” were written not for his sake alone, <sup>24</sup>but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, <sup>25</sup>who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.



**Gospel – Mark 8:31-38**

<sup>31</sup>[JESUS] BEGAN TO TEACH THEM THAT THE SON OF MAN MUST UNDERGO GREAT SUFFERING, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup>He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup>But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

<sup>34</sup>He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup>For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. <sup>36</sup>For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? <sup>37</sup>Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? <sup>38</sup>Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

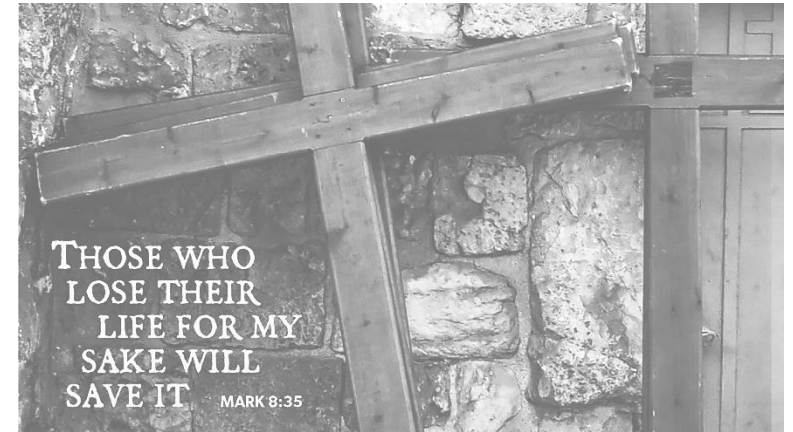


**UPCOMING LENTEN SERVICES (7:30 PM)**

Date	Host	Preacher
Feb. 28, Lent 2	Good Shepherd	King of Glory
March 6, Lent 3	Trinity Lutheran	Augustana
March 13, Lent 4	Redeemer Lutheran	Good Shepherd
March 20, Lent 5	Augustan Lutheran	Zion Lutheran

*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,*  
*and a source of strength and hope.*

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