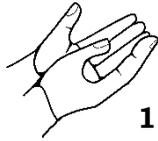


AUGUSTANA LUTHERAN CHURCH



4TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
ELW – *Setting 9*
10:30 AM January 28, 2024

GATHERING

PRELUDE & WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING HYMN: “*Rise, Shine, You People*” #665 ELW

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS, p. 94

Leader: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Most merciful God,

***All:* we confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.**

**We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not
loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son,
Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead
us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

GREETING, p. 193

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

***All:* And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE: “*Glory to God*”, p. 195

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: Let us pray.

Speak with authority in our lives, Christ.

***All:* Speak to us, and to what is in us,
so that we might be whole.**

Leader: Speak to us,

with love, with hope, and with strength,
so that we might hear you, and know, deep inside,
that we are your people, and that you are our God.

***All:* Let it be so. Amen.**

written by Richard Bott, <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/>

THE WORD

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 18:15-20

PSALM: Psalm 111

Reader: ¹Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

***All:* ²Great are your works, O LORD,
pondered by all who delight in them.**

Reader: ³Majesty and splendor mark your deeds, and your righteousness endures forever.

***All:* ⁴You cause your wonders to be remembered;
you are gracious and full of compassion.**

Reader: ⁵You give food to those who fear you, remembering forever your covenant.

***All:* ⁶You have shown your people the power of your works
in giving them the lands of the nations.**

Reader: ⁷The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice; all of your precepts are sure.

***All:* ⁸They stand fast forever and ever,
because they are done in truth and equity.**

Reader: ⁹You sent redemption to your people and commanded your covenant forever; holy and awesome is your name.

***All:* ¹⁰The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;
all who practice this have a good understanding.**

God’s praise endures forever.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

CHILDREN’S TIME

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: “*Lord Speak To Us, That We May Speak*” #676 ELW, v. 1

Clarinet Solo, Bryan Tastad

(the congregation will join in singing verse 1 when invited)

GOSPEL: Mark 1:21-28

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

Leader: The gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: “*Healer Of Our Every Ill*” #612 ELW

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

LORD’S PRAYER, p. 201

CHOIR ANTHEM: “*O Living Breath*” arr. John Helgen

SHARING OF THE PEACE, p. 199

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.

***All:* And also with you.**

OFFERING & HYMN: “*Thank You Lord*” #1092 ACS

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

OFFERING PRAYER by Richard J. Fairchild,
<https://re-worship.blogspot.com/>

SENDING

BLESSING, p. 110

SENDING HYMN: “*God, Bless the Hands*” #1022 ACS

DISMISSAL

Leader: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

***All:* Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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Prayers of the People, Rev. Natalie Owens-Pik
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Thank you to our lector Bonnie Moser, ushers Jean Palmer & Heather Ward, musician & choir director Deb Buck, clarinet soloist Bryan Tastad, and technical support Karen Wallace for assisting in worship today. Thanks also to the coffee crew of Betty and Ted Warren. And special thanks to the Augustana-St. Timothys choir for the special music.

Last Sunday’s in-person attendance: 70

Offering & Income to date for Jan.: \$19,134

Expenses to date for Jan.: \$20,813

We gratefully accept offerings via e-transfer to 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.

Annual Reports Still Needed

These include reports from Altar Guild, Reconciling in Christ, ELW, Augustana & NEST working together, Saskatoon ELCIC 7 churches, and Treasurer.

The Lutheran Theological Seminary (LTS) Saskatoon will be hosting a Storaasli Lecture by The Rev. Dr. Chad Rimmer on February 3rd, 7:00 to 8:30 PM at Hope Lutheran Church in Calgary. This is a hybrid presentation to be held in person and via Zoom, to allow attendees from a distance to ask questions. For the full details on this event including the link to join via Zoom, please [click here](#).

First Reading – Deuteronomy 18:15-20

[Moses said:] ¹⁵**THE LORD YOUR GOD WILL RAISE UP FOR YOU A PROPHET LIKE ME** from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. ¹⁶This is what you requested of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: “If I hear the voice of the LORD my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die.” ¹⁷Then the LORD replied to me: “They are right in what they have said. ¹⁸I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. ¹⁹Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. ²⁰But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die.”

Second Reading – 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

¹**NOW CONCERNING FOOD SACRIFICED TO IDOLS:** we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. ²Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; ³but anyone who loves God is known by him.

⁴Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “no idol in the world really exists,” and that “there is no God but one.” ⁵Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords—⁶yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

⁷It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. ⁸“Food will not bring us close to God.” We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. ⁹But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. ¹⁰For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? ¹¹So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. ¹²But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. ¹³Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.



Gospel – Mark 1:21-28

²¹**[JESUS AND HIS DISCIPLES] WENT TO CAPERNAUM;** and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. ²²They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. ²³Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, ²⁴and he cried out, “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.” ²⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” ²⁶And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. ²⁷They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, “What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” ²⁸At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

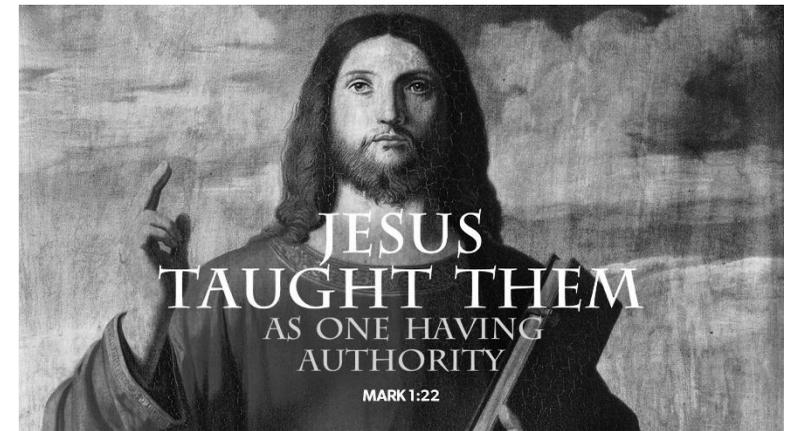
The Health Cabinet is conducting a “**Whole Person Health Care Survey**” and would appreciate your help with this survey “to identify faith needs and health care issues to develop future directions of our health care ministry at Augustana.” **Printed copies of the survey are in the narthex.** The information gathered will be confidential. Your participation is voluntary and completing the survey implies your consent. Members of the Augustana Health Cabinet (Linda, Shelley, Heather, Gayle and Pastor Kirk) will review and collate the responses to the survey. Only summarized information, with no personal identification will be reported. Results will be published in an upcoming monthly newsletter. Please do not put your name on the survey unless you wish us to contact you.

Please return your survey in one of the following ways by February 11th: either mail to the church, place in the Health Cabinet Survey box in the church narthex, or as a last resort email to augustana@sasktel.net **SUBJECT LINE: Health Care Survey.** Thanks very much for your input as an individual member in this survey.

Our Parish Calendar

Sunday	3:00 pm	Performance Taping (?)
Monday	12:00 pm	Performance Taping (?)
Monday	7:00 pm	Monday AFG (AA grp)
Tuesday	10:00 am	Forever in Motion
Tuesday	1:30 pm	Bible Study
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Concordia Jr. Alpenrose Dancers
Wednesday	8:00 am	Men’s Book Club (Zoom)
Wednesday	7:00 pm	The Living Room NA Group
Thursday	10:00 am	Forever in Motion
Thursday	7:00 pm	Choir
Saturday	3:00 pm	The Tea Room AA Group
Sunday	10:30 am	Evangelical Lutheran Worship & Holy Communion

**4TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
January 28, 2024 10:30 AM**



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