

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, April 15 ~ 3rd Sunday of April
 8:30 am Traditional Worship
 9:15-11:15 am Blood Pressure Clinic
 9:30 am Guatemala Informational Meeting
 9:45 am Traditional Worship
 9:45 am Adult Forum
 9:45 am Kids' Kingdom
 9:45 am Youth Forum
 10:50 am Adult Forum
 11:00 am Celebration Worship with Holy Communion

Monday, April 16
 9:15 am Centering Prayer
 10:00 am Coffee & Conversation
 5:30 pm Strategic Planning Committee
 6:00 pm Compassionate Listening Presentation
 6:30 pm New Member Class
 6:30 pm Faith-Filled Mat Yoga

Tuesday, April 17
 9:30 am Women's Bible Study
 10:00 am The Gathering
 6:00 pm Celebration Band rehearsal
 6:30 pm Soap Making
 6:30 pm Group Spiritual Direction
 7:00 pm Church Council
 7:00 pm Al-Anon/AA Groups

Wednesday, April 18
 5:00-5:50 pm Congregational Dinner
 5:45-7:15 pm Library Open
 5:50 pm Confirmation
 6:00 pm Where Faith Meets Life Adult Bible Study
 6:15 pm Cherub/Chorister Choirs
 7:00 pm Rejoice! Ringers
 8:00 pm Senior Choir/Alleluia Bells

Thursday, April 19
 10:00 am Faith-Filled Chair Yoga
 11:30 am Neighbors', Inc. Volunteer Lunch
 4:30 pm Dog Class
 7:00 pm Knitting Ministry at WSP Culver's

Friday, April 20

Saturday, April 21
 9:00 am-5:00 pm AGO Organ Competition

Sunday, April 22
 8:30 am Senior Choir Cantata Worship
 9:45 am Senior Choir Cantata Worship
 9:45 am Adult Forum
 9:45 am Kids' Kingdom
 9:45 am Youth Forum
 10:50 am Adult Forum
 11:00 am Celebration Worship with Holy Communion

HAPPENING @ Augustana

YOUR TAKE-HOME BULLETIN INSERT

Please complete the enclosed Connection Card when you need to update your contact information, request prayers or a pastor visit, or sign up for an event/opportunity. Then place it in the offering plate.

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April 15, 2018

Augustana Lutheran Church

1400 South Robert Street, West St. Paul, MN 55118

651 457-3373

augustana.com

Connection Card

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Welcome! We are happy you are worshiping with us today!

Visitors, help us get to know you by completing the info below.

Members, use this to update/change information.

Name (s) _____

Address _____

City and ZIP _____

Phone _____ New **PHONE** number

Email _____

New **HOME** Address New **EMAIL** Address

Check all that apply:

- Member
- Received Communion today
- Visitor with church home
- Visitor without church home
- I / We would like an invitation to the New Member Classes in Fall 2018.

I'd like to . . .

- Share a comment
- Share a prayer request with the Augustana Prayer Weavers (Augustana's confidential prayer ministry)
- Receive a call from a pastor
- Notify staff of hospitalization, new baby or death in family

Comments/Requests _____



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Prayerfully choose from the opportunities below; then drop this in the offering plate. Please complete the front side of this card so we know how to contact you. Call 651-457-3373 with questions about any of these ministries.

Boys & Girls Club Taco Tuesday: Tuesday, April 24, 3:00 - 6:00 pm. Help kids with homework, play games, or lend a hand in the kitchen.

Tuesday, April 24

Feed My Starving Children 2018: Sign up in the binder at the Information Center, or online using the online code for the date you want.

Thursday, April 26, 6:00-7:30 pm online code: 1351278

Loaves and Fishes: Shifts begin at 3:00, 4:30, or 5:30 pm. Check the box below or sign up in the Loaves and Fishes Binder in the Info Center.

Tuesday, May 1 **Monday, May 14**

Ushers and Drivers are needed for Summer Worship: Please sign up on the in the binder at the Information Center, or turn this sheet in. These are vital summer ministries! Families are welcome to work as a team. Confirmands earn points! Email Cathy Hendrikson with questions at chendrikson@augustana.com.

9:00 Drive In Usher **9:00 Drive In Driver**

10:00 Sanctuary Worship Usher

The Gathering: First and third Tuesday of each month, 10:00 am-3:00 pm. Augustana Gathering volunteers provide a stimulating and fun day for people experiencing memory loss. We are especially looking for volunteers to provide an hour of musical activity. Call Mary, Faith Community Nurse, at 651-457-3373 with questions.

I am interested in becoming a Gathering Volunteer

Augustana National Day of Prayer: May 3, 1:00 - 8:00 pm, Prayer for America - Unity Thursday. Prayer reminds us that we are created in God's image and He desires for us to represent Him everywhere we go. The Augustana Prayer Ministry invites you to participate in this day of prayer. Sign up to spend 15 minutes in the Augustana prayer room offering prayers for our country, elected officials, children, schools, churches, families, and other concerns. Sign up for your 15 minute prayer time at the Information Center or at the Share the Gifts Table throughout the month of April.



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ALL-CONGREGATION

Columbarium Information: We invite you to learn more about the Columbarium with committee members today, between morning services in the Narthex. The Columbarium and Memorial Gardens are a beautiful and peaceful place to remember loved ones at Augustana. You can get all the questions you may have answered about the Columbarium such as niche availability, memorial wall name engraving process, and future expansion plans.

Informational Meeting for Guatemala Trip: Today at 9:30 am in the Luther Room. Trip dates are August 2-12, 2018. Cost is \$2,000 (partial scholarships available for youth). Trip includes visits to partner church, San Agustin, Mayan ruins, work with youth and elementary children. Questions, contact Janet Metcalfe at 651-450-1717.

Global Mission Congregational Potluck Dinner: Sunday, April 29, 5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome! Bring your favorite food to share. Brought to you by Augustana's Global Mission Task Force. Sign up for the dinner in the Congregational Events Binder at the Information Center.

Health Ministry Volunteer Event: Monday, April 30, 5:45 pm dinner with the program to follow at 6:30 pm. All Health Ministry volunteers are invited for an evening of fellowship, food and learning. Annie Meehan, author, certified coach, and mother will present *Leading a Life of Faith and Impact*. Sign up at the Information Center by Friday April 27.

May Concerts at Augustana:

~Sunday, May 6, 3:00 pm, Mississippi Valley Orchestra beckons spring to Minnesota with a concert in honor of nature. This performance is part of Augustana's Concert Series and there is no cost to attend.

~Sunday, May 20, 3:00 pm, East Metro Symphony Orchestra present *Svensk musik och dans (Swedish Music & Dance)*, a cultural celebration of Swedish Classical and folk music. Admission is free for this performance.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

New Cups for Sunday Coffee Service: Augustana's newly-formed earthkeeping team recently collaborated with staff to provide biodegradable cups for Sunday coffee and other church events. The earth-friendly cups can be disposed of in the same bins and in regular garbage receptacles. Questions or interest in ongoing earthkeeping efforts can be directed to Shari Hansen (sharihansen@yahoo.com) or Kiara Jorgenson (kjorgenson@augustana.com). *The new cups may appear to be smaller, but they hold the same amount as the styrofoam cups!



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ADULT

Adult Forum Today: 9:45 & 10:50 am, *Awakening to Gods Call to Earthkeeping* with Kiara Jorgenson. When we care for the Earth we make our faith more alive and relevant - we deepen our relationship with God and one another. We will explore God's Word for guidance on how to live rightly on this Earth. As we realize that creation waits with eager longing for our responses and action we will explore, "What's next?"

Coffee and Conversation: Monday, April 16, 10:00 am. Monday's scheduled topic will be postponed due to Stacy having a funeral to attend. Pastor Megan Torgerson is looking forward to meeting with you tomorrow!

Am I Really Listening; Become a Compassionate Listener: Monday, April 16, 5:45 dinner, 6:15 pm presentation. Final day to register! Please sign up in the binder at the Information Center.

Fun and Easy Melt and Pour Soap Making: Tuesday, April 17, 6:30 pm with Cheri Bunker. You must email Stacy at secardwell@augustana.com TODAY to register in time for this class. The cost is \$10 and is payable at the class.

Men's Meet and Eat: Tuesday, April 17, 6:30 pm at Portillo's in Woodbury. Portillo's started as The Dog House in 1967 in Chicago and has recently expanded to the Twin Cities. They have expanded to include Italian beef, burgers, salads, ribs and pasta. Meet at 6:00 to carpool from church, or meet us there! Contact Tim Turgeon for further information at taturg@msn.com.

Minnesota from the Road: Friday, April 27, 6:30 pm with Doug Ohman. Travel with photographer/storyteller Doug Ohman as he photographs many of Minnesota's most interesting landmarks and icons. Doug will share the stories of how these landmarks became so famous. His pictures and stories are sure to entertain and help relive memories and bring new interest in future road trips around our great state. No cost - light appetizers will be served.

Fun Photography Class: Saturday, May 5, 9:30 -11:30 am with Doug Ohman. Spend the morning with professional photographer Doug Ohman to learn more about how to artistically enhance your photos by paying attention to balance, lighting and composition. Bring your camera because we will have time to practice! There is no cost, but register by emailing Stacy secardwell@augustana.com or contacting the church office. Light snacks provided.