

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, October 13 ~ Stewardship Sunday II
 8:30 am Traditional Worship
 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
 6:30 pm Senior High Sunday Group

Monday, October 14
 9:15 am Centering Prayer
 10:00 am Women's Coffee & Conversation
 3:00 pm Loaves & Fishes
 6:30 pm Faith-Filled Mat Yoga

Tuesday, October 15
 10:00 am The Gathering
 6:00 pm Columbarium Committee Meeting
 6:00 pm Baptism Class
 6:30 pm Spiritual Enrichment Series
 7:00 pm Church Council Meeting
 7:00 pm Al-Anon/AA Groups

Wednesday, October 16
 ~ **NO** Evening Activities due to MEA Week ~
 6:00 pm 8th Annual Augustana Night at
 Feed My Starving Children

Thursday, October 17
 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Grades 3-6 Youth Event
 10:00 am Faith-Filled Chair Yoga
 5:30 pm - 9:30 pm Grades 7-12 Youth Event
 7:00 pm Knitting Ministry @ WSP Culver's

Friday, October 18

Saturday, October 19
 9:30 am - 12:30 pm Fellowship Hall reserved

Sunday, October 20 ~ Stewardship Sunday II
 8:30 am Traditional Worship
 9:30 - 11:00 am Blood Pressure Clinic
 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

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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October 13, 2019

Augustana Lutheran Church

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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 on 10/28 & 11/4.

I'd like to . . .

- Share a comment
- Share a prayer request with Augustana's confidential prayer ministry
- Request a call from a pastor
- Notify staff of a hospitalization, new baby or death in family
- What questions do you have about today's sermon or worship service, or any matter of faith?** Please submit your name with your question so pastors can follow up if needed. Thank you!

Comments/Questions/Requests _____



Attention 2019 Confirmands!

2019 Confirmation Class Photos: This year's Confirmation Class photos are in. You can pick yours up in the photo binder at the Information Center. One per student please! Sign off by your name when you pick up your picture.



SERVE

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 the church office at 651-457-3373 with questions about any of these ministries.

Feed My Starving Children: Sign up in the binder at the Information Center, or online using the online code for the date you want. FMSC is located at 990 Lone Oak Road in Eagan.

- ☐ **Wednesday, October 16, 6:00 to 7:30 pm online code: 19KZ4M**
8th Annual Augustana Night - all are welcome!
This Augustana tradition started in 2012 to fill the Eagan site with Augustana members & friends and children 5 years & older!

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 Information Center.

☐ **Monday, October 14**

- ☐ 3:00 pm ☐ 4:30 pm ☐ 5:30 pm

Boys & Girls Club: Help is needed from 3:00 - 6:00 pm for Taco Tuesday. Boys & Girls Club is located at 291 Belvidere, just a mile from church. If you have any questions, please contact Jan or Jeff Gunderson at 651-458-0706.

☐ **Tuesday, October 22**

Hope Begins With A Meal: Augustana will support Union Gospel Mission in their "Hope Begins With A Meal" program this year. We have agreed to provide 25 bags stocked with a specific list of items to give a hungry family a Thanksgiving meal. Can you help us meet this goal? Find a list of foods at the Information Center, pack your bags with all items listed, and bring the filled bag back to Augustana by Sunday, November 3. If you can't pack a whole bag, bring as much as you can. Your ridiculous generosity shares the spirit of giving with our community.

Resiliency in Ministry: Thursday, November 7, 6:45 pm. Are you a Health Ministry Volunteer? You are invited to a special presentation at the Befrienders meeting in the Jerusalem Room. Beryl Schewe, an author, chaplain and director of pastoral care, will be speaking on "Resiliency in Ministry." All volunteers in any of Augustana's Health Ministries are invited. Please sign up in the Health Ministries binder at the Information Center.

EarthKeeper News:

Augustana EcoChallenge: Please join our Augustana EcoChallenge team and challenge yourself, friends, and family to instill and reinforce sustainable behaviors, earn points, and create positive impact in our community and environment. For more information and to sign up for the team, go to peoples.ecochallenge.org and follow the instructions to join the Augustana Lutheran Church team. The challenge runs from October 2 - 23. Thank you for your commitment to God's Creation!



Strategic Planning Event: Sunday, October 27 from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. While our October stewardship emphasis directs our financial planning for 2020, the Strategic Planning Design Team is working to set the vision and direction of Augustana for the next 5-10 years. You are invited to be part of this strategic planning event. It is critical to have as many people as possible participate in these conversations. The event will be facilitated by our consultant. If you are unable to attend this session, an online option will be available.



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ALL-CONGREGATION

Augustana Concert Series: Friday, October 25, 7:30 pm. Christophe Mantoux, a prize-winning Parisian organist will perform works by Bach, Widor, Duruflé, and more. As part of the Augustana Concert Series, this is free to the community.

New Member Classes: Monday, October 28, 6:00 pm Dinner and Monday, November 4, 6:30 pm. Plan to attend the New Member classes. RSVP with the church office. Nursery will be provided.



All Saints Memorials: Each fall on All Saints Sunday we celebrate and remember those loved ones who have died in the past year. You are invited to make a financial gift to the Augustana Harvest Fund in memory of a loved by October 27. The Harvest Fund is Augustana's endowment fund that provides additional financial resources for Augustana ministries. Memorial envelopes are available throughout October in the pews and the Information Center, for you to use to make your gifts. All Saints Sunday 2019 is on November 3.

Columbarium Information: Learn about the Columbarium with committee members on All Saints' Day, November 3 between services. Get your questions answered such as niche availability, memorial wall engraving process, and future expansion plans. The Columbarium and Memorial Gardens are a beautiful and peaceful place to remember loved ones at Augustana.

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY

Jack-O-Lantern Spectacular: Thursday, October 17, 5:30 - 9:30 pm. Meet for pizza at Augustana before heading to the MN Zoo Jack-O-Lantern Spectacular. All students in grades 7-12 are welcome to attend. Sign up in the Youth Ministry binder at the Information Center. Cost of \$20 includes entrance fees, pizza dinner and transportation. Contact Abby with questions.



Connection Card Q & A

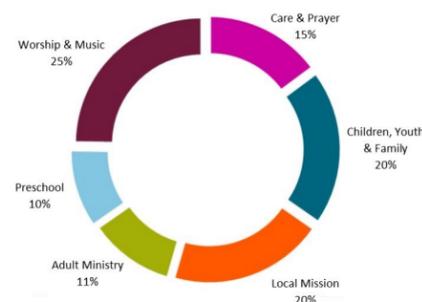
The questions asked last week and the pastor's answers are below. If you have a question about today's worship service, please complete the appropriate section of the Connection Card and check back next week for the answer.

Q. When a song is terrible and difficult to sing, why do we sing all five verses.

A. The Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) hymnal is filled with many diverse hymn styles and we want to provide a broad musical experience when it comes to hymn singing. Hymns are also chosen based on the theme of the Biblical text and sermon. The stanzas of a hymn work together to tell a complete story, much like the chapters in a book. The ideal situation is to sing all stanzas in a hymn. Occasionally, time constraints during worship do not allow for that, so the most relevant stanzas to the day's theme are selected. *Answer provided by Augustana Organist, Dr. Kristina Langlois*

Q. What is the stewardship money used for?

A. Your stewardship offering literally makes ministry happen at Augustana. Your gifts are the single source of financial support for the ministry and mission of Augustana. The chart illustrates the financial breakdown by ministry.



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ADULT

Adult Forum: Today, 9:45 & 10:50 am in the Jerusalem Room. *Expecting the Unexpected in the Old Testament*, with Pastor Megan Torgerson. What do you expect when you read a bible story? Do you realize your own life story is the lens through which you read and hear God's story? A familiar story from Genesis will help us understand how our personal lives play an important part in discovering unexpected truths in scripture that shape our life of faith.

Adult Forum Next Week: Sunday, October 20, *Expecting the Unexpected in the Old Testament*, with Pastor Mark Aune. Using another familiar story from Genesis, we will take a deeper look at our own personal interpretive lens that we apply to the reading and understanding of God's Word. What is God telling you in this story? It may be a different word than someone else hears.

Coffee & Conversation: Monday, October 14, 10:00 am, *Navigating Grief with Humor*, with Flossie Lund. Loss occurs frequently and in many unexpected ways. Grief always accompanies loss; it also can happen in unexpected ways. Augustana member Flossie Lund will share what she learned in a course she participated in using the book *Navigating Grief with Humor* by Melissa Mork.

Where Faith Meets Life Bible Study: Wednesdays, 6:00 pm, join one of the pastors and explore the upcoming Sunday preaching text. Join us for engaging Bible-based learning, conversation, and fellowship!

Spiritual Enrichment Series Tuesdays in October:

Dowsing for Health and Wellness: Tuesday, October 15, 6:30 pm with Cheri Bunker. Learn the art of Dowsing by using a pendulum or dowsing rods. Dowsing is a tool to help set your intentions and access your intuitive connection to the Holy Spirit. Handouts and a gem stone pendulum will be yours to take home. \$7.00 class fee; please sign up with payment in the Adult Ministry binder at the Information Center.

Crystals for Prayer & Meditation: Tuesday, October 22, 6:30 pm with Jennifer Salness. Crystals can help us in many ways, including using them during our daily prayers, to facilitate a deeper meditation, and to help us focus on our intentions for ourselves and the world.

Sacred Grounding Rhythm Movement: Tuesday, October 29, 6:30 pm with Cheri Bunker. Learn about your chakra energy centers and then move through all seven of the Chakras to open blockages. Feel the rhythm and move with your eyes closed. Feel the energy of each Chakra opening one by one. This program can also be done seated. Barefoot or non slip footwear is recommended.

Creation on Canvas: Thursday, October 24, 6:30 - 9:00 pm. Instructor/artist Jan Gunderson will share a painting, *A Time for All Seasons*. Jan will give you simple instructions to create your own one-of-a kind 11" x 14" canvas. Paint, brushes, fun and fellowship are all included for \$20! Sign up with payment at the Information Center. (Class size maximum 25)

Grief Care: Tuesday evenings, November 5-26, 6:30-8:00 pm - **OR** - Wednesday mornings, November 6-27, 10:00-11:30 am. Led by Marian Eisenmann, retired pastor & hospital chaplain, these Grief Care support groups are for anyone who has experienced significant loss in their lives. Please register by calling the church office or signing up in the Health Ministries binder at the Information Center. Contact Joann Arneberg, Faith Community Nurse for more details.

Augustana Blood Drive: Thursday, November 7 from 1:00 to 7:00 pm. Sign-ups to donate blood will take place on Sunday mornings during October in the Narthex or online. Please consider giving the gift of life!