

AES MINISTRIES ~ AUGUSTANA LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 25, 2022 8:30 AM

"Congregations joined in faith and fellowship to spread God's love."

AES Ministries mission statement

Worship Service

Welcome and Announcements

Call To Worship (from Psalm 65)

P: You tend the land and water it.

C: And the earth produces its abundance.

P: You crown each year with your bounty,

C: and our storehouses overflow with your goodness.

P: The mountain meadows are covered with flocks

C: and the valleys are filled with corn.

P: Your people celebrate your boundless grace

C: They shout for joy and sing.

Confession & Forgiveness

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Gathering Hymn

“This Is My Father’s World”

ELW #824

The Greeting

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

C: And also with you

Prayer of the Day

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L: Let us pray....

C: Amen.

Baptism of Gatlin Wayne Korst

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- When family is invited forward, please join in singing:

“Jesus Loves Me”

Verse 1 ELW #595

First Reading: Amos 6:1a, 4-7

^{1a}Alas for those who are at ease in Zion,
and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria,

⁴Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory,

and lounge on their couches,

and eat lambs from the flock,

and calves from the stall;

⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp,
and like David improvise on instruments of music;
⁶who drink wine from bowls,
and anoint themselves with the finest oils,
but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!
⁷Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile,
and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.
L: Word of God, Word of Life. C: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm: Psalm 146

¹Hallelujah!
Praise the LORD, O my soul!
²**I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**
³Put not your trust in rulers,
in mortals in whom there is no help.
⁴**When they breathe their last, they return to earth,
and in that day their thoughts perish.**
⁵Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help,
whose hope is in the LORD their God;
⁶**who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them;
who keeps promises forever;**
⁷who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger.
The LORD sets the captive free.
⁸**The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;
the LORD loves the righteous.**
⁹The LORD cares for the stranger;
the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.
¹⁰**The LORD shall reign forever,
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!**

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 6:6-19

⁶Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; ⁷for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; ⁸but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. ¹¹But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹²Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. ¹⁶It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen. ¹⁷As for those who in the present age are rich, command

them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

L: Word of God, Word of Life. C: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

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L: The Holy Gospel According to Luke, Chapter 16 C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

[Jesus said:] ¹⁹“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.’ ²⁵But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ ²⁷He said, ‘Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house—²⁸for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ ²⁹Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ ³⁰He said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ ³¹He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Message

Hymn of the Day **“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”** **ELW #858**

Prayers of the People **Page 16**

L: Merciful God C: **Receive our Prayer**

Sharing God’s Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you Always.

C: **And also with you.**

Offering

Offertory Hymn **“We Give Thee but Thine Own”** **vss. 1,2 ELW #686**

Offertory Prayer **Page 19**

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Blessing of the Crops

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C: Thanks be to God!

AES Prayer Concerns: *Jerry Noren, Jim Moody, Cruz Avila, Ileana Voth, Deb Style, Francey Anderson, Melanie Fredin, Leann Moll, Bette Flater, Bruce Ohland, Jana Falk, Al Adams, Ellie Kulseth, Sam Christenson, Everett Wright, Melissa Anderson, Steven Olson, Tom Anderson, Karla Schwanz, Chloe Anderson, Orval Larson, Dennis Madison, Linda Madison, Mary Ann Menssen, Emma Overson, and Jim Sizer.*

Baptism – Today we welcome into the Lord’s family, **Gatlin Wayne Korst**, through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Gatlin is the son of Joseph Korst and Allison Karau. His sponsors are Andrew Karau, Dylan Harbitz and Rose Wendinger. Please pray for him and his family as he continues to grow in faith and love.

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Church Announcements

- ✠ AES Ministries, Augustana and East Sveadahl Lutheran Churches, is broadcasting this morning’s worship service on 1370 AM at 11:30 am from Augustana. The broadcast is sponsored by **Augustana Lutheran Church**.
- ✠ **The Noisy offering Today will go to Wellspring.**
- ✠ The **Watonwan River Conference Fall Gathering will be held on October 1st, 2022** at Augustana Lutheran Church. Registration and Brunch starting at 9:30 am. The cost is \$7. The program will be Virtual (online). Offering will be split with ½ the proceeds going to the MN Synod and the other half going to the Watonwan County Food Shelf.
- ✠ We will be having a **blessing of the animal’s service on Sunday October 2nd**. People can bring their pets to have them blessed at the end of worship. Children are encouraged to bring a stuffed animal to be blessed.
- ✠ **The Church office will be closed on Tuesday October 4th.**

- ✠ **Augustana's Bakeless Bake Sale is Sunday October 9th during coffee hour at Augustana.** Proceeds will go toward the Stained-Glass Window Fund. Donations can be given at worship and coffee hour or dropped off at the church office. Any questions, call Judy Berg 375-4759.
- ✠ **Sewing Circle** is the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 9:00 am in the Social Hall from September through May. Sewing Circle does not meet in December or June – August.
- ✠ **Joyce Pierson is now a Resident at Lakeview Methodist Health Services, 610 Summit Drive, Room 230, Fairmont, MN 56031. Her 96th birthday is coming up on September 26th!**
- ✠ **AES Ministries is looking for an AES Youth Director and Superintendent for each Church.** If you would be willing to volunteer or would like more information, contact Tom Anderson, Mark Kulseth, or Becky Cobb.
- ✠ The next **East Sveadahl book study** will be If Grace Is True. They will meet at Encore on September 27th at 10:30 am. All are welcome to read with us! There are copies available in the East library.
- ✠ **Our "Little Free Library" and "Little Free Pantry" are in business.** They have been placed on the south side of the church. We have some extra books to use to refill but we have put out the food we had and it's going fast!. Please feel free to bring some to add to the pantry anytime. If it's full, put it in the tote under the pew in the Education entrance so it can be used to refill the pantry when needed. They will be dedicated on "God's work, our hands Sunday, September 11th and it would be good if it were full by then!

Community Announcements

- ✠ **The Family Meal Giveaway** – a meal feeding four people – will continue every Thursday from 5:30 – 6:30 pm through December (no giveaway on Thanksgiving Day).
- ✠ Wellspring is sponsoring **Wednesday Workshop**, October 5, 12, 19, 26, Nov. 2, 9 From 1 -3:30 pm at the Watonwan County Resource Center Board Room (108 8th St. S., St. James). Learn self-care strategies to help you increase your health and wellness – living well with chronic conditions. For more information or to register call 507-375-1276.

Activities this week: September 26 – October 2

- Monday: 10:00 am – Weekly Prayer meeting on Zoom, see website for the link
- Tuesday: 10:30 am – Brandt Ridge Devotions
11:00 am – Prarie View Devotions
1:00 pm – Text Study, Pastor
2:15 pm – Augustana worship on cable tv
- Friday: Church Office Closed and Pastor's Sabbath
- Saturday: 9:30 am – Watonwan River Fall Conference - Augustana

Sunday:

Blessing of the Animals

8:30 am – Communion Worship – Augustana – Facebook

9:30 am – Coffee Hour - Augustana

9:45 am – TLC - Augustana

11:00 am – Communion Worship – East – Facebook

