

Prayer Concerns

- Family of Mark – loss of son killed by hit/run car – 04/03/13
- Eden – suffering from Lyme’s Disease – 4/3/13
- Lila – suffering various health issues – 3/29/13
- Steve – diagnosed with brain cancer – 3/17/13
- Cole – benign optic tumor – 3/10/13 (Updated)
- Bob – cancer of the liver and spreading – 03/01/13
- Patrick – cancer diagnosis, pray for help – 02/24/13
- Baby Marek – cancer took leg now in lung – 02/17/13
- Father Marek – diagnosed with cancer – 02/17/13
- Bill S. – Recurrence of stomach cancer – 02/11/13
- Mike – young man that suffered a stroke – 02/03/13
- Bill – brain aneurism – 02/03/13
- Sherry – facing chemo treatments – 01/20/13
- Pete – malignant tumor, starting chemo – 01/11/13
- Jan – recovering from surgery – 01/14/13
- Derek – has debilitating liver condition and ulcerative colitis – 01/13/13
- Joyellyn – suffering from multiple health issues and chronic pain – 03/10/03 (updated)
- Andrea – cancer growing, trying homeopathic– 3/10/13 (updated)

Prayer Concerns will now be kept for 90 days only.

Entries may be updated prior to that. Please contact Jerry Youngquist by Wednesday evening with any prayer concerns or Calendar Events – 651-237-1003 (press 1)

Announcement-

One person from the general membership of Salem LC is required to join the now-forming Constitution Review committee. Consisting of 4 members (2-council, 2-general), its job will be is to review recommendations to revise the church’s constitution if necessary. See Jerry Youngquist if interested.

Quote-ables:

“Worry is a cycle of inefficient thoughts whirling around a center of fear.”__Corrie ten Boom

Grin-ables:

Q: “What did we learn from ‘Jonah and the big fish’?”

A: “We learned that people make big fish sick!”



Responsive Reading: Psalm 30

P: I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up and have not let my foes rejoice over me.

C: *O LORD my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.*

P: O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol; you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.

C: *Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name.*

P: For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

C: *As for me, I said in my prosperity, “I shall never be moved.”*

P: By your favor, O LORD, you made my mountain stand strong; you hid your face; I was dismayed.

C: *To you, O LORD, I cry, and to the Lord I plead for mercy:*

P: “What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?

C: *Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me! O LORD, be my helper!”*

P: You have turned for me my mourning into dancing; you have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness,

C: *that my glory may sing your praise and not be silent. O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever!*

1st Lesson – Philippians 1:21-24

For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account.

Gospel – John 20:19-23

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.” And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.”

Catechism Lesson: The Apostles’ Creed **The Third Article: Sanctification --**

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

What does this mean?

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.

Calendar

The next communion will be April 21. The next council meeting will be at 6:30pm, May 8, 2013

What is the Augustana District?

The Augustana District is a non-geographic district in Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC) emphasizing classic Lutheran theology and providing services to congregations and pastors. We are bound together by a Statement of Faith which rigorously binds us to the Holy Scriptures, the Augsburg Confession, the Smalcald Articles, and the other writings of the Book of Concord.

To supplement and further explicate the Statement of Faith set out in the LCMC Constitution, a Statement of Faith to which the churches of Augustana expressly subscribe, the churches of the Augustana District also add:

- Sinners are made right with God by grace alone through faith alone on account of Christ alone. This is the article of faith by which the church stands or falls.
- The Word of God is Jesus Christ, the proclamation of him, and the Holy Scriptures. This Word functions as both law and gospel, which need to be distinguished, but not separated. The law orders society and convicts us of sin, showing us our need for a Savior. The gospel is the power of God that liberates us from sin, death, and the power of the devil, and brings us, by grace, from death to life.
- Christ commanded that his Word be proclaimed. Through it, the Holy Spirit works faith when and where he pleases and repentant sinners are elected unto salvation. Christians live out their earthly lives as totally justified and totally sinful.
- Because the church is the assembly of believers among whom the Gospel is taught purely and the sacraments are administered rightly, it is not necessary that human traditions, rites and ceremonies, instituted by men, should be alike everywhere. God instituted one office of ministry through which the means of salvation are provided. For the sake of good order, a pastor is authorized to function in this public office by virtue of a church’s call. Churches band together in fellowship and mission to strengthen their ministries, acknowledging participation in the universal Church of our Lord.
- See in entirety at: <http://www.augustanadistrict.org>