

Augustana Lutheran Church

Lutherans and Anglicans worshipping together

ANNOUNCEMENTS

10:30 AM, February 18, 2024

First Sunday in Lent

The Health Cabinet has extended its “Whole Person Health Care Survey” “to identify faith needs and health care issues to develop future directions of the health care ministry at Augustana.” **Printed copies of the survey are in the narthex.** Your participation is voluntary and completing the survey implies your consent. The information gathered will be confidential. Members of the Augustana Health Cabinet will review and collate the responses to the survey. Only summarized information, with no personal identification will be reported. Please do not put your name on the survey unless you wish to be contacted. **Please return your survey by February 25th** and place in the Health Cabinet Survey box in the church. Thank you!

FILM SERIES ON GAZA

Augustana, along with Grace Westminster United and Emmanuel Anglican churches are offering a series of three films and opportunities for discussion around the conflict in Gaza. The first film will be “**Road to Apartheid**”, highlighting the similar laws and tools used by Israel and apartheid-era South Africa. The film will be shown **Tuesday, Feb 20th at Emmanuel Anglican Church.** Doors open at 5:30 for soup and sandwiches and the movie begins at 6:30pm.

The Alzheimer Society of Canada’s new report, ***The Many Faces of Dementia in Canada*** is now out. This is the second volume of the *Landmark Study*, following the September 2022 release of *Navigating the Path Forward for Dementia in Canada*. **Join us for a Community Conversation Tuesday, February 27, 2024, 11:30 AM to 1 PM, via Zoom.** where our CEO, Joanne Bracken, will discuss the report findings with Dr. Joshua Armstrong, Research Scientist at the Alzheimer Society of Canada and co-author of the Landmark Study Reports. **[Please click here to register!](#)**

The second Landmark Report focuses on the many diverse perspectives on dementia in Canada and shares **important dementia projections for several populations.** The Alzheimer Society of Canada worked with many people living with dementia and care partners across the country, who have contributed their **personal stories** to the report.

You can read the full report at **www.alzheimer.ca/ManyFaces**

Note that Augustana’s AGM is March 3rd.

Just a reminder that February is Black History Month

REQUESTS FOR OUR PEOPLE IN NEED: Men’s Winter jacket, size large, gently used for n university student & a Twin Mattress, gently used for a Mother & child.

Saskatchewan Synod Convention 2024 set for May 30, 31, and June 1, 2024 here in Saskatoon at Elim Church. We are asking that a representative from each congregation sit on the planning committee. They would act as liaison and would be given updates to provide to the congregation. The committee plans to meet one evening a month until the convention. We are also looking for volunteers to help during those three days. The volunteer positions are for greeters, stewards, meal hosts/hostesses, registration desk attendees, and ushers. If interested contact the Augustana church office and this information will be provided to the Synod Arrangements Committee.

World Day of Prayer Service Friday, March 1, 2 PM at Grace Westminster United Church, 505-10th Street. The theme is “I Beg of you – Bear with one another in Love” from Ephesians 4. There will be a guest speaker from Palestine who will be part of the worship time together. Everyone is invited to join in the service of common worship and prayer held annually throughout Canada since 1922.

Mark Your Calendars for the 2024 National Worship Conference

The National Worship Conference titled **The Stones Cry Out: Praying with the Land'** will be held on **July 18-21, 2024** in Regina, Saskatchewan. Gifted keynote speakers will help us to think and talk and pray about the ways in which we can transform our worship, in authentic ways, from language and image of empire and colonialism to one which recognizes our rich multicultural and Indigenous heritage. Together we will explore our own experiences, biases, and hopes for new ways of being the church!

ELCJHL Ongoing Appeal

The ELCIC currently has an ongoing appeal to support our partners in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land (ELCJHL). You can find a [list of updates, statements and resources on the ELCIC website here.](#)

Every 3rd Sunday of every 2nd month, (Feb. 18, April 22), baskets with slips of paper with **needed food items for the Food Bank and/or People in Need** will be sent around during the worship service. The large blue bin in the Narthex is available for you to drop off your food items at any time. Thank you very much for your support in this endeavour.