

Augustana Lutheran Church

Lutherans and Anglicans worshipping together

ANNOUNCEMENTS

10:30 AM, January 21, 2024

3rd Sunday after Epiphany



Offering & Income to date for Jan.: \$13,558

Expenses to date for Jan.: \$16,280

We gratefully accept offerings via e-transfer to augustana@sasktel.net (full name and address required for a tax receipt) or donate with credit card through Canada Helps (donate button on the Augustana website <http://augustanasaskatoon.net/>). OR sign up for PAR. Please ensure envelopes put in the offering plates have an envelope no. or address.

Shelving is urgently needed for the Synod archives which are being temporarily (due to circumstances beyond our control) held at Zion Lutheran Church, Saskatoon. We could use 5, 5 shelf units (utility style) that can hold fairly heavy boxes. Please contact Synod archivist Michael Diegel at michaeldiegel6@gmail.com or the Synod Office if you can help.

Register now for the **10th Annual LutherCare Stair Climb Challenge!**

Join the LutherCare Foundation at Luther Tower on **Feb. 9th, 2024, at 11 AM** and Climb for a Cause! The Stair Climb Challenge enhances the quality of lives of our residents by providing much needed equipment, renovations, and improvements. This year, funds raised will be used to purchase Obie Projectors for our 11 Group Homes that serve individuals with physical and intellectual disabilities. Technology like this enables our Team Members to continue providing the highest quality of care and programming to enrich the lives of our residents.

Take the Challenge! Please **RSVP by Thursday, Feb. 1st**, and make a difference by entering a team, or becoming a sponsor. Phone (306) 649-6364 or email foundation@luthercare.com

LutherCare Communities and Saskatchewan Synod are working together to raise money for Telemiracle (Feb. 24& 25) this year. If interested, you are invited to participate by purchasing a "Helping Hand". You can leave a donation at the church office (name, address, cash or cheques made out to Telemiracle, and fill out a "Helping Hand" with your name on it. The "Helping Hands" will be placed in a designated space in the church. **All donations will be forwarded to LutherCare Communities by February 14th** and your tax receipt will come from Telemiracle.

The **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (WPCU)** is an annual ecumenical celebration held each year in January. Christians around the world are invited to pray for the unity of all Christians, to reflect on scripture together, to participate in jointly organized ecumenical services, and to share fellowship. This year's theme has been "You shall love the Lord your God ... and your neighbour as yourself" based on Luke 10:25-37.

The **2024 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ends Jan. 25th**, and local neighbourhood services and other observances include the following:

- **Sun. Jan. 21, Ecumenical Worship Service**, 3pm at First Mennonite Church, 418 Queen St. The Rev. Dr. Ian Luke of the College of Emmanuel and St. Chad, Homilist.
- **Sun. Jan. 21: Ecumenical Youth event at Zion Lutheran Church**, 323 4th Avenue, Saskatoon **5:30-8:30PM**.
Join us for a Youth Gathering at Zion Lutheran Church for food, fun and music! We will start with dinner at 5:30 and then activities until 8:30. Youth groups and individuals from across the city and every denomination are encouraged to attend! We also ask that each participant bring warm winter woolies (hats and mitts) to donate to the St. Mary's overnight warm up shelter. Please contact Martha at (306)270-2378 for further details and registration.
- **Jan. 23-25, 8 AM WPCU services** with breakfast to follow
Tuesday, January 23: St. Stephen's Anglican Church, 10 Grosvenor Cres
Wednesday, January 24: Holy Covenant Evangelical Orthodox Church, 1426 Alexandra Ave
Thursday, January 25: St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 436 Spadina Cres East

De Margerie Lectures on Christian Reconciliation and Unity (Karen Petersen Finch)

Wed. Jan. 24, 7pm, *Re-imagining Lay People as Stewards of Doctrine* (Campion College, Regina)

Thurs. Jan. 25, 7pm, *Doctrine as the Fuel of Renewal* (STM College, Saskatoon)

Both lectures will be presented in-person and livestreamed. If you can't attend, watch it online at <https://www.youtube.com/@schmeisercentre>

Fri., Jan. 26, 10am, *The Eucharist - Where is Jesus?* (Holy Spirit Parish, Saskatoon)

Global Mission Sunday will take place on **February 4, 2024**. And **Diaconal Ministry Sunday** is on **February 25** this year.

The **2024 National Worship Conference** titled '**The Stones Cry Out: Praying with the Land**' will be held on **July 18-21, 2024** in Regina.