



# Augustana Church PREVIEWS

*Lutherans & Anglicans worshipping together*



November 2023

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WELCOMING CELEBRATORY INSPIRING ADVENTUROUS IN MISSION

## A Budget is a Statement of Faith

I'll pose a question to you that I have been mulling around the last little while. It's from an article by Pastor Rob Blezard, who is the web content editor for Stewardship of Life Institute of the ELCA. He wonders: "What does our church's annual budget represent?"

Is it a proud menu of the hopes, dreams and mission ministries our congregation wants to accomplish in the year to come?

Or is it a life-support prescription for how the congregation expects to pay the staff, keep the lights burning, the expenses paid and property maintained?"

Hmmm...what would you say?

In a workshop when she was stewardship officer for the Episcopal Church, the late Terry Parsons gave this "Devil's Dictionary" definition of a church budget: "It is the means by which we notify the Lord of the limitations we intend to impose on his gifts for the coming year."

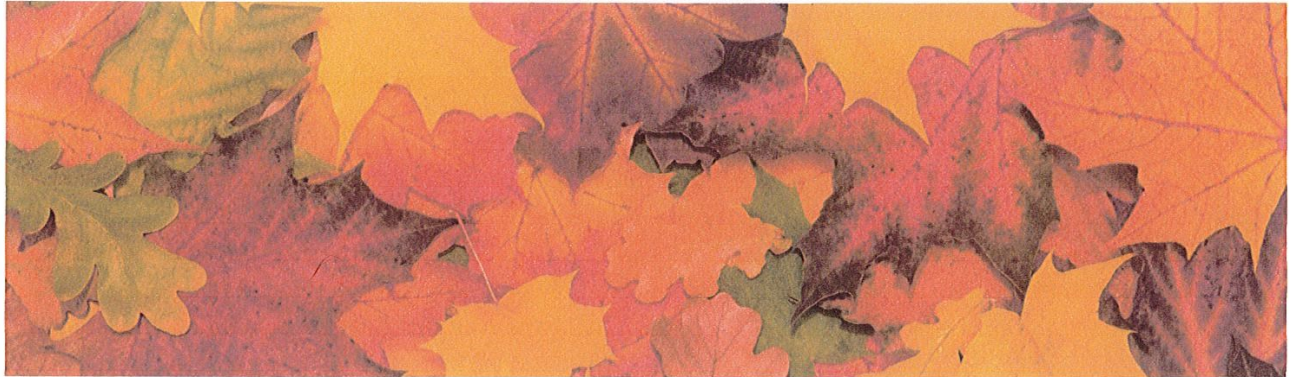
If we view the budget and think of it in terms of an administrative necessity to ensure proper financial management, then we shouldn't be surprised to wind up with bare-bones measures that are grudgingly funded. If funded at all.

But if we look at the budget as opportunities to invest in the Kingdom of God and stretch ourselves to see how much we can do with even the nickels and dimes God has given us, then the possibilities increase.

In the end, a budget is a statement about how our congregation views the future. Do we trust that ours is the God of abundance who provides all that we need and calls us into fruitful ministry? Can we respond even if we don't always know what this looks like at times, trusting that God will guide our resources to where they are needed most and there will be enough? If an outsider looked at our budget, what would they conclude about our congregation's hope for the future in ministry alongside God?

And what would be a "God's Dictionary" definition of a church budget? How about, "It is the means by which we make the most of the abundance the Lord is giving us." I like that way of thinking so much better. How do you think this shift in mindset might make a difference in the way you give, serve, and share your gifts?

*Pastor Kirk*



# Augustana Lutheran Church

Presents

## Social Supper

November 18, 2023  
1201 Broadway Ave

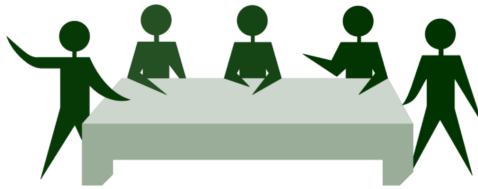
Reception: 6:00 p.m.  
Supper: 6:30 p.m.

As we move from the bright colours of fall to the white wonderland of winter join us for a turkey supper (with all the fixings) and an opportunity to visit with each other. See you there!  
(Tickets are available in the Narthex after church.)



# *Council Notes*

## Pat Blakley, Council Chairperson



Hello Augustana Church Family,

As I write this note snow is forecast before November. While it means the end of summer-like temperatures, it also means that we are moving closer to Advent and the subsequent birth of Jesus.

Council continues the work that was started in September, when we met on October 18, 2023.

Thank you to all members of the congregation who participated in the first visioning session held on October 1, 2023. Twenty-four members participated in person, and two additional members participated after the session.

The session revealed a number of areas of commonality and other areas where unique observations were provided. The information has been collated. Katie has conducted a theme analysis. Discussion of the themes and determination of whether they capture the comments shared by members of the congregation will be the focus of the second session. This session will be held after the church service on November 5.

The analysis will be available the week before November 5th so that you can read it through prior to the session. Please consider participating, even if you were unable to participate in Session #1 and remember to bring a bag lunch.

Council continues to be concerned with the congregation's financial status. A subcommittee has been struck with members of Council and the congregation. The subcommittee is tasked with determining options in the short term and longer term for improving the congregation's finances. If you have suggestions, please share them with Karen or Larry. More information will be provided once it is available.

Council is also busy making arrangements for the Social Supper on November 18. It will be a fun night of good food, entertainment, door prizes and fellowship. But we need your assistance. There are a number of tasks which will require your support.

A member of Council will be tasked with recruiting helpers, so please consider assisting when you are approached. Tickets will be available after the Sunday service or by email from Karen or me.

If you have any questions or concerns that you would like to be brought to Council, please feel free to contact me.

Blessings,

*Pat Blakley,  
Church Council Chairperson*

**Augustana Church Council:**  
**Chairperson** — Pat Blakley  
**Vice-Chairperson** — Larry Trenouth  
**Secretary** — Katie Ottley  
**Treasurer** — Karen Wallace

**Members:**  
Shelley Apolonia  
Echo Fettes  
Merv Johnson  
Monica Johnson  
Gabi Lindenbach



# WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Augustana services are currently in-person, live-streamed, and worship recordings can always be accessed through the YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCua4E9ZVxIZ4Wfmct0ZLnBA/videos>

Or on the Augustana website <http://augustanasaskatoon.net/worship-resources>

To participate in the **10:30 AM live-streamed worship service** please go to the Augustana YouTube Channel at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCua4E9ZVxIZ4Wfmct0ZLnBA/featured>

Once there, click the play button on the player in the browser to open the live player

Date	Tech Support	Ushers & Communion Assts	Lector & Prayers	Coffee Clean-up & Set-up
Nov. 5	Bryan T. (Greg F-N. <i>bu</i> )	Bonnie Moser & Larry Trenouth ( <i>Pat Blakley</i> )	Tannis Sharp	Heather Ward ( <i>SU</i> ) K & M Peterson ( <i>CU</i> )
Nov. 12	Katie O. (Karen W. <i>bu</i> )	Monica Lundgren Johnson & ?	Margareth Peterson	Leverne & Rene Baxter
Nov. 19	Greg F-N. (Bryan T. <i>bu</i> )	Echo Fettes & Tyrel Rink ( <i>Katie Ottley</i> )	Ruth Zuk	Alice & Wilmer Hamp
Nov. 26	Karen W. (Katie O. <i>bu</i> )	Linda & Cherie Jarock	Larry Trenouth	Linda Catton
Dec. 3	Bryan T. (Greg F-N. <i>bu</i> )	Larry Trenouth & ? ( <i>Tannis Sharp</i> )	Paul Weatherington	Leverne & Rene Baxter
Dec. 10	Katie O. (Karen W. <i>bu</i> )	Marie Ebbert & Marlene Trenouth	Betty Warren	Betty Warren
Dec. 17	Greg F-N. (Bryan T. <i>bu</i> )	? & ? ( <i>Tannis Sharp</i> )	Wayne Carlson	Cherie Jarock

*If you need to trade with someone for a worship role, please let the church office know as soon as possible. Thank You!*

- ✚ If anyone would be interested in helping with altar guild or any of the worship roles, such as ushering, reading, counting, serving communion, setting up or cleaning up coffee, etc. your gift of time and talents would be greatly appreciated and make a huge difference for how worship continues at Augustana. Please prayerfully consider assisting and signing up when the clipboard is passed around on a Sunday. Thanks!

## ✚ ALL SAINT'S SUNDAY, November 5th

On All Saints' Sunday we remember our loved ones who have gone before us. It is recommended for those wishing to light candles in remembrance to come 10 to 15 minutes earlier so as to light them before the worship service at 10:30 AM. We are also encouraging families to try to keep to a minimum of 4– 5 candles if possible. Perhaps instead of lighting a candle for each person, maybe a candle could be lit in remembrance of 2 or 3 individuals.

If you plan to worship from home and wish to have a candles lit in remembrance of someone, please contact the church office by phone or email by Friday, November 3rd, so that we can have the ushers light a candle on your behalf prior to the service on November 5th. Thank you.

# AUGUSTANA FINANCIAL UPDATE

(as per Accountant / Treasurer reports)

	To Sept. 30, 2023	To Sept. 30, 2022	2023 Budget
INCOME			
Offerings, Rental	<b>145,550</b>	128,274	211,960
EXPENSES			
Worship (Pastoral, Music, Supplies, etc.)	82,591	47,883	113,965
Learning (Education, Conferences)	1,845	799	3,950
Witness (Parish Nurse, Health Cabinet)	2,115	126	7,900
Service (Benevolences)	20,442	19,127	24,494
Support (Staff, Supplies, Utilities, Audit, etc.)	83,246	72,412	102,451
Total Expenses	<b>190,237</b>	140,347	252,760
Funds Increase (-Decrease)	-44,687	-11,623	-40,800
<b><u>Augustana Financial Position</u></b>			
	As at Sept. 30, 2023	As at Sept. 30, 2022	
Funds beginning of Year	77,125	73,337	
Funds End of Month	<b>32,438</b>	61,714	
	As at Sept. 30, 2023	As at Sept. 30, 2022	
Affinity Credit Union Chequing Account	<b>14,099</b>	13,071	
Canadian Western Bank Account	11,790	1,283	
Credit Union Term Deposit	10,626	40,000	
Canadian Western Bank GIC	0	10,000	

Expenses estimated (October): 19,955

Income estimated (October): 19,934

## *From the Treasurer's Desk*

**Karen Wallace**

Please note our Fund Balance at the end of September

At AGM the budget was presented with an estimated \$40,000 deficit for the year.

As of September 30, 2023 our deficit was \$46,356. I know my concern is shared by all of you.

Council is actively looking at options as an interim measure however, if you have any thoughts about things we might do to reduce our deficit please reach out to me ([klwallace310@gmail.com](mailto:klwallace310@gmail.com)) or any of our council members. Thank-you.



**GAZA HUMANITARIAN EMERGENCY**

**HUMANITARIAN  
COALITION** 

Photo: Islamic Relief Canada

**CLWR is responding to the humanitarian emergency unfolding in Gaza. Please pray for those affected and consider making a life-saving gift.**

**[clwr.org/gaza](https://clwr.org/gaza)**



**Canadian Lutheran  
World Relief**

## *Health Notes*

**Cough, Cold, Flu and Covid Season is here!**



**And up to date vaccines are widely available.**

Both Moderna and Pfizer vaccines have been updated to include the Omicron XBB 1.5 strain currently in circulation in our community. The Moderna vaccine was approved first and is currently the most accessible vaccine. The Pfizer version is just coming available.

You can mix Moderna and Pfizer vaccine. If you have had Pfizer vaccines previously, it is okay to have the Moderna vaccine as it is available now.

You are eligible for a vaccine if it has been 3 months or more from a Covid infection and 6 months ( this does not have to be exact) from your last vaccine.

Influenza and Covid vaccines can be given at the same time. This might mean two sore arms and some vaccine side effects such as aches and fatigues. These should resolve within 1 to 3 days. An increased dose of flu vaccine is being offered to those age over the age of 65.

If you are interested in the new RSV vaccine, please ask your doctor as a prescription is required.

The link below provides information on walk in clinics in Saskatoon and around the province, how to make an appointment and pharmacies where you can receive both the flu and covid vaccines.

[Vaccine Clinics | SaskHealthAuthority](#)

You can also call the Health Line (811) for more information or call 1 833 727 5829 to book a vaccine appointment in Saskatoon.

Please stay home if you are unwell. It may take 2 or 3 days of symptoms (headache, fever, aches, nasal congestion, fatigue) before testing positive for Covid.

If you test positive for Covid, it is recommended that you stay at home for whichever is longer -  
either i) 5 days after a positive test or  
ii) 24 hours with no fever and no fever meds and 48 hours of improving symptoms.

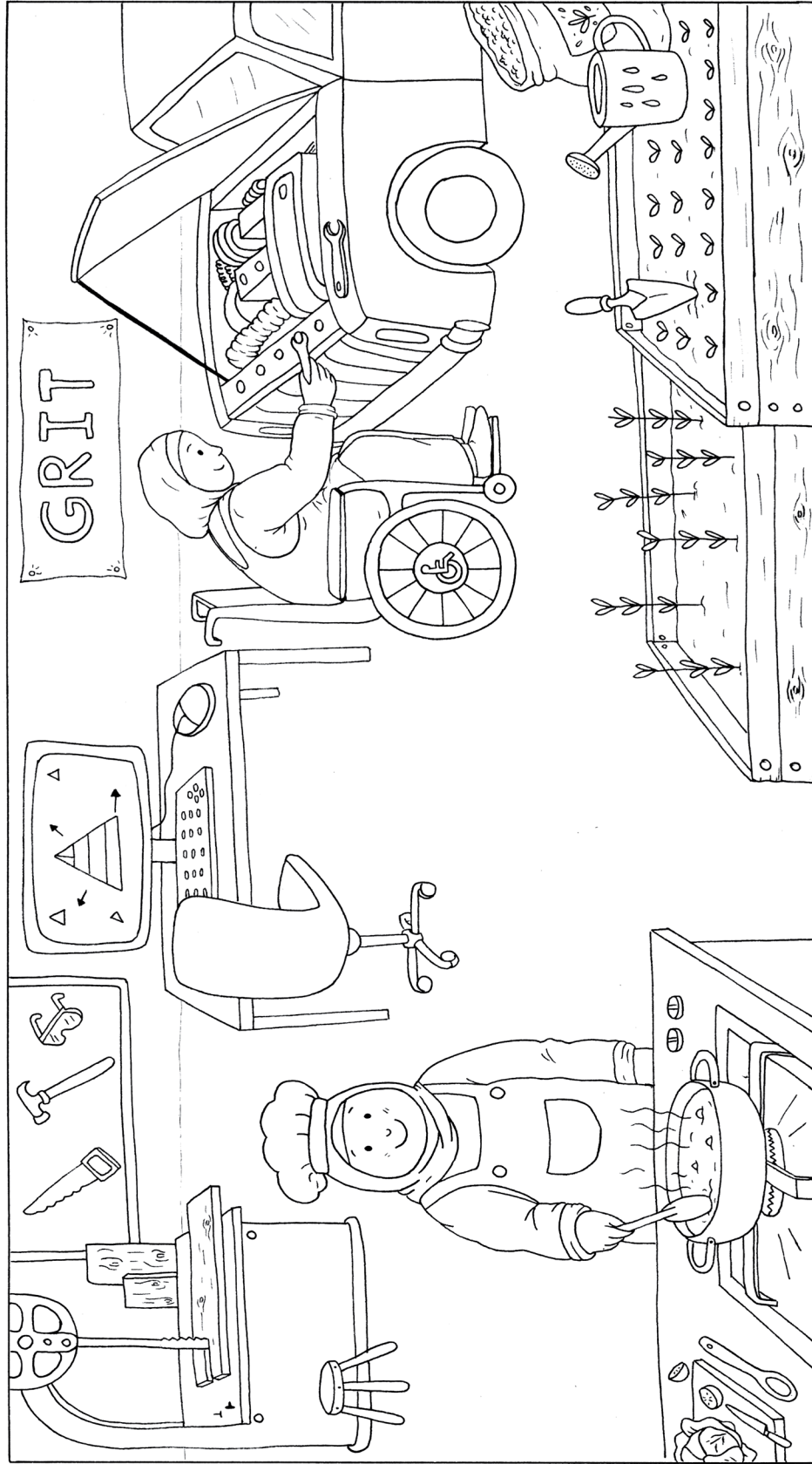
If you test positive for covid and wonder if you might be eligible for Paxlovid, the medication for Covid, please call either the Health Line at 811 or speak with your family doctor.

*Take Care and Stay Well  
from your Health Cabinet*



# TINY HEARTS

Many women and girls aren't able to go to school or find good jobs, but together we can help! When you support education programs like our project called GRIT in the West Bank, you give women a chance to chase their dreams and provide for their families!





# Announcements and Upcoming Events

## Alzheimer Society

S A S K A T C H E W A N

Learn More Live Well

### Accessing Government of Canada Programs and Benefits: An Evening of Education

Join us to learn more about accessing Government of Canada programs and benefits for people with dementia, their caregivers, and families.

Wednesday, November 15, 2023

7:00 - 8:30 pm CST

Online via Zoom (session not recorded).

[Click here to register.](#)

Or, call: 1-800-263-3367 / Email: [cjudge@alzheimer.sk.ca](mailto:cjudge@alzheimer.sk.ca)

**Featuring presenters:** Folashade Owoeye, CRA CVITP & Benefits Outreach Officer; Rachelle Deault, Citizen Service Specialist with Service Canada; and, Sylvie Gauthier, Citizen Service Specialist with Service Canada.

**Topics include:** Benefits and credits for caregivers, Disability Benefits and Credits, and submitting Power of Attorney documents and other forms to the Government of Canada.

## AUGUSTANA SOCIAL SUPPER

**Augustana Lutheran** invites you to a **Social Supper**, an evening of good food and good friends in our Fellowship Hall on **November 18<sup>th</sup>** beginning at 6 pm with supper to be served at 6:30.

This is a chance to catch up with old friends and meet new ones while enjoying a turkey dinner with all the fixings.

There is no charge for tickets; a free-will offering will be collected at the event.

A limited number of tickets are available after service in the narthex and must be claimed by November 12.

Invite a friend and join us for a wonderful evening.

Augustana Church Council is looking for people to support this event with your time and talents.

If you would be interested in helping, check for a sign-up sheet in the Narthex or you can contact any member of church council.

## AUGUSTANA SESSIONS

Augustana had a productive first **Vision Session on October 1** in the process to determine what our priorities are. Specifically, what have we done in the past and currently what we would like to continue, what are activities that we would like to start doing and what activities can we stop doing.

Thank you to all who were able participate during or after the session and to submit comments.

The next step is to identify themes based on the comments which have been received.

Please save **November 5** for **Vision Session 2** when these themes will be discussed and core values will be identified, leading to the creation of value statements that Augustana can lean on when making decisions about our future direction.

Finally on **December 3<sup>rd</sup>**, our Core Value Statements will be presented with an opportunity for feedback and discussion.

**Please bring a bag lunch on these dates and plan to stay for at least 2 hours after church.**

## BIBLE STUDY

**Bible Study** on Tuesday afternoons (1:30-3:00) continues. Due to illness our group has gotten smaller. Still time to join the 8 of us (4 men, 4 women) on our study continuing through to Dec. 12.

On the 31st of October we will look at the book of Jude in New Testament as well as its relationship to 2 Peter, and following that it will be more on 1 Peter and 2 Peter. Come and join us any Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 in the Fellowship Hall.

*Ken Peterson*

## ELW

**Augustana ELW** meeting and Bible Study for November will be held on **Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup>** at 2:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All ladies are invited and encouraged to attend.

**Augustana ELW** will again be sending a **financial Christmas & Birthday gift** to their adopted child, Amsa. If you are interested in contributing to this gift, you may place your donation in the offering plate, marked accordingly. All your donations are very much appreciated.

## CHRISTMAS HAMPER APPEAL

The Health Cabinet **Christmas Hamper Appeal** will run through **November until December 10** with the their goal of raising up to **\$1400** to provide gift card grocery vouchers to needy families.



We helped 16 families last year and anticipate at least 20 this year.

Our Christmas hampers help

supply hope and sustenance to those in need and with your support we can make this appeal a success. If you would like to contribute to

*Christmas Hampers*, please indicate so on your offering envelope, cheque or e-transfer. And if you know of a person or family who may benefit from a hamper, please let the church office know. Help us to make someone's' Christmas this year a bit cheerier!

## ICHM-SK

**Inter Church Health Minsitries-Saskatchewan (ICHM-SK)** has been engaged in a long review and discernment consultation with Rev. Dr. Cam Harder and Dr. Simon Lasair and is now ready to share what has been learned from the past and what the future might hold. Come and celebrate the story of parish nursing ministries in Saskatchewan and begin shaping the next chapter at the **Celebration Supper on Sunday, November 26, 2023, at Luther Tower 22<sup>nd</sup> Floor Dining Room**. Cocktails at 5:30, supper at 6:00pm. Tickets are \$30, available until November 22 or until sold out from Luella [moorelu@sasktel.net](mailto:moorelu@sasktel.net), and Elaine [p.nursing@sasktel.net](mailto:p.nursing@sasktel.net). More details about the discernment process are available at [www.ichm-sk.ca](http://www.ichm-sk.ca) or [www.zionlutheransaskatoon.ca](http://www.zionlutheransaskatoon.ca) or by request from Ron B. at 306-653-2438.

## CLWR

**CLWR** and the Humanitarian Coalition are responding to the humanitarian emergency unfolding in Gaza. Please join us in prayer and consider making a gift to provide critical life-saving aid to those affected.

To find out more or to donate, please visit [clwr.org/gaza](http://clwr.org/gaza) or call 1-800-661-2597 (Mon-Fri 8:30am-4pm).

**CLWR's new Gifts from the Heart** catalogue is on its way!

Share God's love with the world and make a meaningful difference in the lives of others with Gifts from the Heart @ [clwr.org/GFTH](http://clwr.org/GFTH). It can be truly lifechanging.



The J.O.Y. Group invites you to a very interesting and informative presentation on **Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall.

Our special guest speaker for the afternoon will be Alex Pelletier whose topic will be **"Behind the Scenes of a National Geographic Expedition to the Amazon"**.

Discover what jungle life is really like, and discuss why we still know so little about the Amazon. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend this exciting presentation!



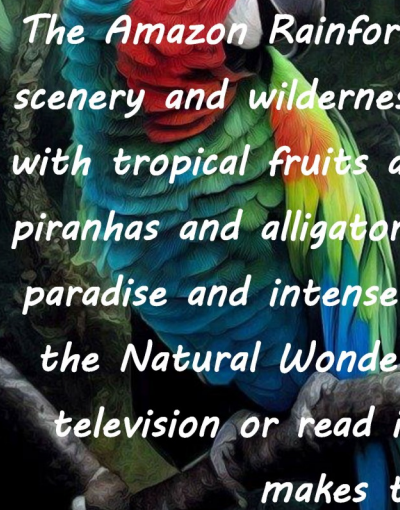
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**"Behind the Scenes of a National  
Geographic Expedition to the Amazon"**



*The Amazon Rainforest contains some of the most amazing  
scenery and wilderness on Planet Earth. It's forests are lush  
with tropical fruits and medicinal plants, it's rivers boil with  
piranhas and alligators, and the skies carry beautiful birds of  
paradise and intense rains. Certainly, the Amazon is one of  
the Natural Wonders of the World. But what you see on  
television or read in books is only the beginning of what  
makes the Amazon so spectacular.*



*Come with Alex as he takes you behind the scenes of a  
National Geographic expedition to the heart of the remote  
Amazon Rainforest, where we will  
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little about the Amazon.*

**Everyone  
is welcome  
& encouraged  
to attend!**





# **LUTHER TOWER FALL BAZAAR**

**1223 TEMPERANCE STREET**

**In the 22<sup>nd</sup> Floor Dining Room  
Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

**Featuring: Baking, Jewelry,  
Knitting, Woodwork,  
and Crafts**

**Everyone Welcome!**



## LUTHERCARE

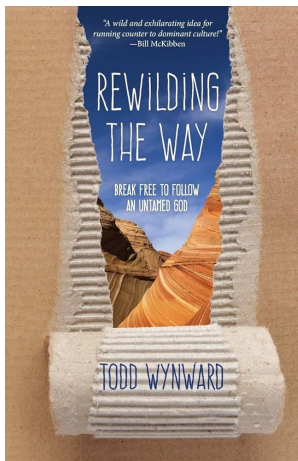
**Luther Special Care Home** is again looking at connecting with volunteers in the community who could help at the monthly birthday events. In the past, Augustana has been part of this event, and hopefully could be again. The program has changed, and recreation is looking for a couple of people to help with the tea part by sharing readings or special talents or helping with crafts. If someone is willing to help in this way, please contact Cynthia Wiebe at [cynthia.wiebe@luthercare.com](mailto:cynthia.wiebe@luthercare.com).

## LUTHER TOWER

**Luther Tower Fall Bazaar,  
Saturday, Nov. 4, 1-3 PM,  
1223 Temperance Street  
22<sup>nd</sup> Floor Dining room.**

Baking, Jewelry, Knitting, Woodworking and Crafts will be featured as part of the fundraising. For more information contact Lorraine at 306-552-2497 or Beatrice at 306-384-2633.

## MEN'S BOOK AND BREAKFAST CLUB



The **Men's Book and Breakfast Club** meets each Wednesday morning for about one hour beginning at **8 AM**. We are studying ***Rewilding the Way*** by Todd Wynward.

The Book Club reads both fiction and non-fiction books. They are not always directly related to theology or spirituality but we generally discuss them through a spiritual lens.

We often choose books that are available through the Saskatoon Public Library's Book Club in a Bag program, in which case it is not necessary to buy the book. We will meet by Zoom most weeks but may get together at a restaurant occasionally (probably every six weeks) for breakfast, discussion and exchange of books. If you are interested, contact Bryan Tastad.

## THE MICAH MISSION



### The Micah Mission,

a non-profit, ecumenical grassroots organization in Saskatoon supporting those who are currently incarcerated or coming out of correctional institutions, **is seeking Volunteer**

**Board Members.** Board Members provide oversight and are important stakeholders in decision making as we plan for our future, supporting our community. The time commitment would be approximately 1 hour via Zoom each month. No experience is necessary. Board Members must be 18 years or older with a clean police record. Please consider joining us as a Lutheran Representative on our Board. For more information please contact: [deborah@themicahmission.org](mailto:deborah@themicahmission.org).

## PEOPLE IN NEED



**Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every 2nd month,**  
(Dec. 17, Feb. 18, etc.)

after the offering plates are sent around, baskets with slips of paper with **needed food items for the Food Bank and/or People in Need** will follow.

The large blue bin in the Narthex is available for you to drop off your food items at any time. Thank you for supporting those who need our help. Monetary donations to People in Need are also welcome.

## PRAIRIE CENTRE FOR ECUMENISM

The **Prairie Centre for Ecumenism** is pleased to invite you to participate in an **Ecumenical Book Club!** Join us for four Wednesday evening zoom sessions as we study the book, ***Grassroots Ecumenism*** by Karen Petersen Finch. This study group will be led The Rev. Marie-Louise Ternier and Cathryn Wood, Executive Director of the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism.

The study will run from **November 15th to December 6th; 7:00-8:30pm**. The cost of the book is approximately \$35 CAD. Limited copies will be available through the Prairie Centre for purchase. Please email [admin@pcecumenism.ca](mailto:admin@pcecumenism.ca) to register and for book ordering details.





## Ecumenical Book Club

# GRASSROOTS ECUMENISM

Join us for four Wednesday evening zoom sessions as we study “Grassroots Ecumenism” written by Karen Petersen Finch, the 2024 De Margerie Lecturer. This study group is sponsored by the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism and will be led by The Rev. Marie-Louise Ternier and Cathryn Wood, Executive Director of the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism.



November 15, 22, 29, and  
December 6; 7:00-8:30pm



The cost of the book is approximately \$35 CAD. Limited copies will be available through the Prairie Centre for purchase. Please email [admin@pcecumenism.ca](mailto:admin@pcecumenism.ca) to register and for book ordering details.



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## PWRDF

### The PWRDF World of Gifts campaign has begun!

Our 2023 gift-giving campaign is now in action, providing the opportunity to alleviate poverty, promote sustainability and support communities in need in Canada and around the world. There are 29 impactful gifts to give this year; some familiar and many new. Thanks to a generous anonymous donor, **all *World of Gift* gifts will be matched, up to a total of \$110,000!** The match applies to all gifts except for support of PWRDF's equity in the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, which is matched up to four times by the Government of Canada. Shop the *World of Gifts* @ <https://pwrdf.org/get-involved/shop-pwrdfs-world-of-gifts/>

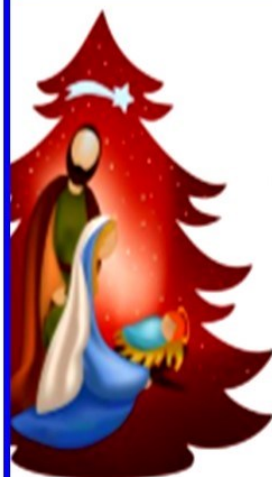
## QUEEN ELIZABETH SCHOOL

\$555.81 was gifted to **Queen Elizabeth School** this fall.

This is so generous and greatly appreciated. Needs are growing throughout all communities. It will be put to good use with the School Breakfast Program. Thank you so much for all your support!

## REDEEMER LUTHERAN ADVENT-CHRISTMAS MARKET & TEA

Redeemer Lutheran will be hosting an **Advent-Christmas Market and Tea on Saturday, November 25<sup>th</sup>, 10 AM – 3 PM**. A market of hand-made crafts, handwork, baking, sewing/quilting & more, including a collection of "new to you" Christmas items will be for sale. We are looking for creative crafts people to be part of this market by showing and selling your hand-made creations. We are now taking bookings for tables (\$10/table) We hope to have all tables booked soon. Table space is limited. For further information or to book a table, please call Redeemer at 306-7585 or email [redeemer.luther.stoon@sasktel.net](mailto:redeemer.luther.stoon@sasktel.net). Proceeds from the Tea and "New to You" Christmas area will go towards an Advent-Mission project.



Coming to Redeemer Lutheran, 812 Preston Ave., Saskatoon

on November 25<sup>th</sup> 10:00am – 3:00pm

## ADVENT - CHRISTMAS MARKET & TEA

A market of hand-made crafts, handwork, baking, sewing/quilting & more, an Advent—Christmas tea & a collection of "new to you" Christmas items for sale.

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR CREATIVE CRAFTS PEOPLE TO BE PART OF THIS MARKET BY SHOWING AND SELLING YOUR HAND-MADE CREATIONS.**

We are now taking bookings for tables (\$10/table). For further information or to book a table, please call Redeemer 306 374 7585 or email [redeemer.luth.stoon@sasktel.net](mailto:redeemer.luth.stoon@sasktel.net)

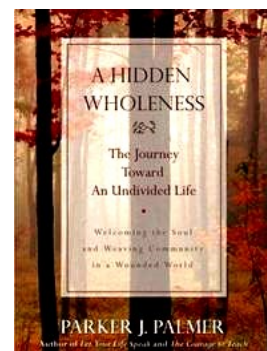
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## SPIRITUAL GROWTH GROUP

The **Spiritual Growth Group** will meet at 8 AM on Tuesday, November 14 at 808 Main Street and by Zoom at 8 AM on Tuesday, November 28.

We continue to discuss ***A Hidden Wholeness*** by Parker Palmer.

If you are interested to know more about the group contact Heather Kleiner or Noreen Donald.



# Oktoberfest

## J.O.Y. GROUP

At least 30 people attended on October 19th, enjoying the feast and festivities

It was a time of wonderful music, good food and fun!





# Prayer Changes Things

**Prayer Net:** God hears our prayers. Prayer is a gift God has given to us for sharing joys and sorrows. Intercessory prayers, prayers for others, are offered as we follow Christ's example. The Prayer Net involves volunteers who feel called to the ministry of prayer and are committed to pray for those who ask for special prayer or for those whose needs have been made known to us. To activate the Prayer Net, contact any person on the list; that person will then pass the prayer request to other members. The confidential nature of information shared is respected. When a request is received or need is known, prayer will be offered as soon as possible and continue to be held up until told otherwise.

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*Please remember all those in need of our prayers:*

*Ron & Marlene Belke, Curtis Carlson, Danielle Carlson,  
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Bruce Nordstrom, Linda Richmond, Evelyn Schumacher,  
Jim & Tannis Sharp, and Deanna White.*

*May all be strengthened in the knowledge of God's grace,  
and the healing power of the Holy Spirit.*

*We also pray for those who grieve at this time.*

*May they be comforted by the promise of God with us.*

This month we pray for the ministry of our Reconciling in Christ Committee. This committee works to welcome and support individuals and groups who have been marginalized or discriminated against and to educate our congregation on the process of reconciling. It is a ministry of welcome, inclusion, celebration and advocacy for LGBTQIA+ people in the life of the church.

### Monthly Manna (Canadian Bible Society)

✚ Day 7: "The Lord will guide you continually, giving you water when you are dry and restoring your strength."  
Isaiah 58:11a (NLT)

✚ Day 17: "If you ask anything in My name, I will do it."  
John 14:14 (NKJV)

✚ Day 28: "I have treasured the words of his mouth more than my daily bread." Job 23:12b (NIV)





### Augustana church council would like to thank:

- † **Pat Blakley, Alexa Wallace, Micheal Diegel** and all who stepped up to make the October 1 service and events in the following week go as smoothly as possible in Pastor Kirk's absence.
- † **Joey Lafrance** for facilitating the visioning session.
- † **Katie Ottley** for filling in as live stream tech for the October 15<sup>th</sup> service on short notice.
- † **Merv Johnson** for arranging snow removal for the winter months.

### 2024 WALL CALENDARS NEEDED

The church office is looking for two 2024 wall calendars for keeping track of church meetings and bookings. If you have any calendars to donate, that would be gratefully appreciated.

### CANADIAN DAILY BIBLE STUDY

## NOVEMBER 2023

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Wisdom 3:1-9 ✕               | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>16</b> Judges 4:1-13          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>02</b> Isaiah 26:1-19 ★   | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>17</b> Judges 4:14-24         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wisdom 5:10-23 ✕             | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>18</b> Judges 5:1-11          |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>11</b> Revelation 14:1-13 | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>27</b> Matthew 24:1-14        |
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#### Augustana Previews

Please feel free to submit items for the newsletter to publicize events or activities in your group.

Digital pictures from events would be great!

**Information for the December Newsletter should be submitted by November 22, 2023.**

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# NOVEMBER 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			<b>1</b> 8 AM Men's Book Club (Zoom) 7 PM "The Living Room" NA	<b>2</b> 10 AM Forever in Motion 12 PM Health Cabinet 7 PM Choir	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 1 PM NEST 3 PM "The Tea 'Room" AA Group
<b>5 Pentecost 23, All Saints Sunday</b> 10:30 AM Worship & Holy Communion & Sun. School 12 PM Vision Session 2	<b>6</b> 7 PM AFG (AA grp)	<b>7</b> 10 AM Forever in Motion 1:30 PM Bible Study 6:30 PM Concordia Alpenrose Jr. Dancers	<b>8</b> 8 AM Men's Book Club (Zoom) 7 PM "The Living Room" NA Group	<b>9</b> 10 AM Forever in Motion 7 PM Choir	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 3 PM "The Tea 'Room" AA Group
<b>12 Pentecost 24</b> 10:30 AM Worship 7 PM AL ANON Open Meeting	<b>13</b> 7 PM AFG (AA grp)	<b>14</b> 8 AM Spiritual Growth Group (808 Main Street) 10 AM Forever in Motion 1:30 PM Bible Study 6:30 PM Concordia Alpenrose Jr. Dancers	<b>15</b> 8 AM Men's Book Club (Zoom) 7 PM Church Council 7 PM "The Living Room" NA Group	<b>16</b> 10 AM Forever in Motion 2 PM J.O.Y. Group 7 PM Choir	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 12:30 PM Music Recital 3 PM "The Tea 'Room" AA Group 6 PM Augustana Social Supper
<b>19 Pentecost 25</b> 10:30 AM Worship & Holy Communion & Sun. School	<b>20</b> 7 PM AFG (AA grp)	<b>21</b> 10 AM Forever in Motion 1:30 PM Bible Study 6:30 PM Concordia Alpenrose Jr. Dancers	<b>22</b> 8 AM Men's Book Club (Zoom) 7 PM "The Living Room" NA Group	<b>23</b> 10 AM Forever in Motion 7 PM Choir	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 3 PM "The Tea 'Room" AA Group
<b>26 Christ the King Sunday</b> 10:30 AM Worship	<b>27</b> 2 PM ELW 7 PM AFG (AA grp)	<b>28</b> 8 AM Spiritual Growth Group (Zoom) 10 AM Forever in Motion 1:30 PM Bible Study 6:30 PM Concordia Alpenrose Jr. Dancers	<b>29</b> 8 AM Men's Book Club (Zoom) 7 PM "The Living Room" NA Group	<b>30</b> 10 AM Forever in Motion 7 PM Choir		.