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Augustus Lutheran Church

An Historic Church for Today's People



APRIL 2026

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Did you know that volunteers from Augustus have served over 32,000 hot meals at the Soup Kitchen at St. John's Church in Norristown?

Last month I wrote to you about our mission:

Our mission is to help people develop a closer relationship with Jesus.
We do this by making disciples (Matthew 28) and helping neighbors in need (Matthew 25).

This month I would like to highlight one of those ministries. On the second Wednesday of each month, volunteers from Augustus prepare and serve a full dinner to hungry neighbors in Norristown. This ministry, which started at Trinity Lutheran Church when it was on Dekalb Street, regularly serves hot meals to those in need six (6) days per week. Volunteers from Augustus have been participating since August 13, 2003. That's 277 months of unbroken service and over 32,000 hot meals in that time span! Well done, good and faithful servants! A sign-up sheet appears in the Muhlenberg Center the Sunday before we go. Join us!

Below you will find the schedule for Holy Week and Easter. Please participate in as many services as you are able. Please note that **both services on Easter Sunday** are identical and celebrated in the Brick Church Nave.

2026 Holy Week and Easter Schedule		
Date	Service	Time (and Place)
March 25, 2026	Mid-Week Lenten Service	7:30 p.m. (Nave)
March 29, 2026	Palm Sunday	8:00 a.m. (Chapel) 10:30 a.m. (Nave)
April 2, 2026	Maundy Thursday	7:00 p.m. (Nave)
April 3, 2026	Good Friday	7:00 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)
April 5, 2026	Easter Sunday	8:00 a.m. (Nave) 10:30 a.m. (Nave)

We will also have available by request special hosts which “meet the FDA set limit of less than 20 ppm (parts per million) for the unavoidable presence of gluten in foods that carry this label. That is the lowest level that can be consistently detected in foods using valid scientific analytical tools. Also, most people with celiac disease can tolerate foods with very small amounts of gluten. This level is consistent with those set internationally.” (Source: fda.gov) These gluten-free hosts will be available only if requested in advance by 12:00 Noon on the Friday before you will commune. Please call the Parish Office (610-489-9625) to request a gluten-free host.

May God shower you with mercy,
fill you with courage,
and ✝ give you peace.
Amen.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Weleck



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From the Bench: The Augustus Chorister Program, Part 3

As many of you already know, Abigail, Madison, and Lilli Catagnus are our charter members of the Augustus Chorister Program. So, I asked their parents, Rebecca and Earl (E.J.) Catagnus to share their thoughts regarding their experience with the program thus far. Thank you so very much, Rebecca and E.J.!
Darryl

Dear Church Family,

Years ago, a friend's daughter was at our home singing the most beautiful hymns as she ran around and played with the girls. When we asked her mother where she learned to sing so well, she said at her church. We wanted that for our daughters and we prayed fervently for a youth choir to come to Augustus. Those prayers were answered when Dr. Darryl Roland and Matt Boatman took on their current positions.

In fact, they brought with them decades of renowned experience in leading youth through a truly wonderful program called the Royal School of Church Music (RSCM). This program nurtures young voices and deepens our worship as a congregation. Founded back in 1927, this amazing organization helps churches like ours build joyful, confident choirs through their fantastic "Voice for Life" program, which teaches kids to not only sing beautifully but encourages achievement with incremental awards and ribbons. Furthermore, it solidifies young faith in ways that only music can. Like a song that takes you back to a good memory, singing hymns can tether Christ to one's heart just as it did for David when he strummed the lyre and sang the psalms.

"Psallam spiritu et mente," the RSCM motto, means "I will sing with the spirit and with understanding also" (from 1 Corinthians 14:15) captures it perfectly. It's about music that lifts our souls to God while building real skills and lifelong love for sacred song. Whether your little one is just starting out or your teen wants to grow in faith through harmony, the RSCM resources, courses, and community make it such a blessing. I can't recommend it enough.

There is also so much more our girls are learning that apply to life. It has enhanced their understanding of grammar such as the meanings of a diphthong and triphthong, which has helped them in their study of ancient and foreign languages. They learn poetry, rhythm, and verse. They learn the forgotten art of elocution: the skill of speaking clearly, expressively, and persuasively. Choristers learn proper pronunciation, diction, intonation, and vocal projection. In addition, they are learning social skills as they have intergenerational conversations with older choir members. They are developing self-confidence as they face their fears of standing before a congregation and risk making mistakes. They learn that mistakes and cracked voices don't lead to death through embarrassment. This couldn't come at a more important time for young people who feel disconnected from real human interaction, which leads to isolation, depression, and anxiety. When all is chaotic in the world, my girls have learned there are people who love them and care for them. They are learning to be part of a church community. This experience is a true light for our family.

And lastly, their presence in the choir has brought so much joy to many in the congregation. This was truly an unanticipated blessing. We didn't realize that having our girls stand before the congregation in choir was actually a gift to others. Almost every week, someone comes up to us and tells us how much they love to see the girls. They fear our church is dying and Christ is disappearing in our society. When they see the youth in our assembly become active participants, it gives them hope.

Dr. Roland and Mr. Boatman bring an incredible talent to our church. We are blessed to have such a gift—let's keep our choir thriving and invite more families to experience all the Royal School of Church Music offers.

With love and song,

Earl ("E.J.") and Rebecca Catagnus Jr.

Grateful father and mother in the pews



Graceful Generosity

Published to help you grow as a steward of God's grace.

A Stewardship Thought

In his Sermon on the Mount, Jesus gave us a very important principle for the handling of our material possessions which include any kind of financial assets and income. He taught the "God first" principle. *"But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well"* (Matthew 6:33). When we give first priority to God with our time and treasures, he is honored, and he will provide us with what we need. Are you using your time in reading God's Word and serving others? Is God receiving the firstfruits of your income? God wants us to seek him first, and he promises that he will be found (Jeremiah 29:13).

The Joy of Giving

A pastor of a small, rural congregation was visiting a shut-in widow who lived in a run-down house at the end of a dirt road. Bedridden, sick and weak, she looked forward to the pastor's visit. On the occasion of his first call, she handed him her offering envelope with her tithe enclosed. He tried to refuse. She said, "Pastor, this is one of the only joys I have left. I can no longer attend church or be part of the fellowship. But I can give." The joy in her countenance demonstrated a spirit that loved to give.

Testing your Knowledge of Scripture

Can you identify what people the following image may represent in Scripture?

If you said Noah and his wife, you were right. Do you remember what Noah did after the flood was over, and he left the ark? In Genesis 8 and 9, we read of Noah's sacrifice. As a first act of worship for the protection he and his family received, Noah built an altar and sacrificed some of the clean animals as burnt offerings. Noah made the sacrifice to thank God for saving them from the flood, and he trusted that God would continue to provide for him.



"Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him: 'I now establish my covenant with you and with your descendants after you and with your descendants after you and with every living creature that was with you ... the birds, the livestock and all the wild animals, all those that came out of the ark with you ... every living creature on earth: Never again will all life be cut off by waters of a flood; never again will there be a flood to destroy the earth.' " (Genesis 9:8-11).

Making Choices

Each of us makes hundreds of choices a day, perhaps beginning with the sound of the alarm clock when we choose whether or not to get out of bed. Many of our choices are made unconsciously. We choose what we'll wear and what we'll eat and whether we'll spend our leisure time reading or watching TV. We choose our friends and our pets but not our families. Those we're born into without our having a voice in the matter. It is similar with the family of God, for it is our heavenly Father who has chosen to adopt us into his family. We were

dead in sin, but God speaking through Hosea said, "I will redeem them from death" (Hosea 13:14). That is God's choice. Paul wrote to Timothy that "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners . . ." (1 Timothy 1:15). That is his choice. Matthew recorded Jesus' words: "The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many" (Matthew 20:28). We are, as Peter wrote, "A chosen people" (1 Peter 2:9).

As the redeemed and chosen people of God we now can choose to respond by declaring "the praises of him who called [us] out of darkness into his wonderful light" (1 Peter 2:9). We can choose to follow Paul's directive to "serve one another in love" (Galatians 5:13).

We can choose to follow the example of Joshua who counseled those headstrong Israelites:



"Now fear the Lord" and serve him with all faithfulness . . . But if serving the Lord seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve . . . But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord" (Joshua 24:14-15).

Living the Proper Lifestyle

Scripture does not dictate that we are to live in a certain way. God does not tell us what we can or can't own. He does not list the specifics on the type of home, the number of cars, or clothes we are to have, but there are attitudes that God wants us to develop within the area of financial responsibility. First of all, God wants us to have an eternal perspective. With an eternal perspective we act and live differently:

- ✦ We are called to store up for ourselves treasures in Heaven (Mathew 6:20).
- ✦ Our lifestyles will reflect our relationship with Christ.
- ✦ We will be good stewards by using our gifts and financial blessings in God-pleasing ways.
- ✦ We will live moderately and share generously for the work of the Lord.
- ✦ Our financial decisions will be spiritual decisions. Jesus said, "So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches?" (Luke 16:11).
- ✦ What we do, how we handle the stuff of life, will be done with an eye on eternity.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

WITH FUN ACTIVITIES AND

EASTER EGG HUNT

APRIL 05, 2026, 9:00 AM

BRING A CUT FLOWER TO ATTACH TO THE CROSS
MOVIE & REFRESHMENTS TO FOLLOW

ALL CHILDREN AGES 3-6TH GRADE ARE WELCOME



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PALM SUNDAY

MARCH 29
8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

MAUNDY THURSDAY

APRIL 02
Stripping of the Altar
7:00 PM

GOOD FRIDAY

APRIL 03
Stations of the Cross
Led by Augustus Youth
7:00 PM

EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 05
He Is Risen!!!
Sunday School Easter Egg Hunt
9:00 AM
Festive Worship
8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Please join us to celebrate
Holy Week

He is not here!
He has Risen
Just as he said
- Matthew 28:6

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SENIOR YOUTH GROUP NEWS

The Senior Youth Group would like to thank the congregation for your support during our soup sales and the Easter candy fundraiser. The monies made from our fund-raisers are used toward the group activities and the year-end mission trip. We have three seniors this year (Lauren Fishell, David Judisch and Abby Stalker). They will be planning our end of the year activity for the group.

This summer, we will once again be going to Camden, NY for our mission trip. The dates are July 25th through the 31st. If you'd like to be a part of the trip, please reach out to one of the leaders.

The SYG meets on the first Wednesday and the third Sunday of each month (September through May), as well as various other days for activities and fund raisers. If you're new to the congregation and have a teen in high school, reach out to one of the leaders and we'll make sure you get information on our group.

The SYG is looking for new leaders to help in future years. Please let us know if you are interested. It's a very rewarding experience and we'd like to pass on our knowledge to a new group of leaders. New people bring new ideas and that is always a good thing.

Lorna DePaul, lornadepaul@gmail.com

Cathy Meeley, tcmeeley@verizon.net

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Remember Augustus in your Estate Planning

We have a beautiful campus to maintain.

If you are considering a gift, please talk with Pastor Weleck about where funds are most needed.

presented by:
augustus lutheran church youth

featuring:
senior choir of
augustus lutheran church

all are welcome

Stations
of the
Cross



GOOD FRIDAY
APRIL 03, 7:00 PM

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"Just as you did it to one
of the least of these
brothers and sisters of
mine, you did it to me."

Matthew 25:40 NRSV



**Volunteer at the Turkey Supper Fundraiser April
25th**

Help "the least of these"

At the Arusha Lutheran Medical Center in Tanzania.

Your help is still needed to make this year's event a success!

*Food Prep *Food Service *Set-up/Clean-up *Craft Fair & More

Visit the sign-up sheet in Muhlenberg Center

Or Email: oharadvd@aol.com or nancyloughery63@gmail.com



Christ's Ambassadors

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Some people find it difficult to believe in God because they cannot reconcile the evil and hurt in the world with a good and loving God. One person said, "If God were really good, all this misery would just break his heart."

It is then that we faithfully point to Christ, our crucified Savior, and answer, "It did." The story of the suffering and death of Jesus Christ is truly the story of the breaking of God's heart. It is broken because the same sin that brings evil and misery into this world has also estranged us from our heavenly Father.

Thanks be to Christ! He has paid the price for our sins. He has bridged the chasm that lay between us and our Father. By his resurrection from the dead, he has triumphed over sin, death, and the devil. He has reconciled us to the Father.

In 2 Corinthians 5:15, we read, "*And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.*"

Listen again to the words of the Apostle Paul: "*[We] should no longer live for [ourselves] but for him who died for [us].*" In light of what Christ has done for us, we stewards respond with a desire to serve and glorify him. Paul says that God, who has reconciled us to himself in Christ, has now given us this ministry of reconciliation (2 Corinthians 5:8). "*We are therefore Christ's ambassadors,*" writes Paul, "*as though God were making his appeal through us*" (2 Corinthians 5:20).

We are Christ's ambassadors. Every day he places opportunities before us to speak of the great love of God that gave his Son for the sins of the world. He has equipped and enabled us through his Word and Sacraments (2 Timothy 3:16-17) to be his representatives. Let us, with broken and contrite hearts, seek his forgiveness when we fail to represent him as we should and ask for his continued strength and presence to help us to carry out this task.



PARENTS: Sign Up for Vacation Bible School NOW!



Kids aged 3 and up are invited to Vacation Bible School at Augustus! Don't miss Vacation Bible School at Augustus June 22-25, 2026! Sessions are daily from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and our theme is "Road Trip: On the Go with God!" Scan this code to register.

Christian Education

Lent is the time when we focus more closely on living God's way and being a better follower, or "disciple" of Jesus. There are many lists of characteristics of a good disciple, or "marks of discipleship," but a book I recently read emphasized these:



- ◆ *Daily prayer*—it's hard to have a relationship with someone without talking to them! Take time each day to talk to God. We teach our confirmation students the "ADTRC" prayer, which is a simple formula to organize your prayer: **A**ddress God, **D**escribe God, **T**hank God, **R**equest what you need from God, and **C**lose your prayer. Following this formula allows you to talk to God without it all being about your supplications.
- ◆ *Regular Bible study*—this is the part where we're listening to God. When you study the scriptures alone or with others, consider what the Holy Spirit is saying to you through God's word.
- ◆ *Regular worship*—God is worthy of our worship. Coming together once a week also allows us to connect with our siblings in Christ and support them in their own walks with God.
- ◆ *Regular giving to the church*—the reality is that the church needs money to have a place to worship, learn, and do God's work in the world. Everything we have comes from God, and we are commanded to reserve a portion of our income to support God's church.
- ◆ *Participation in outreach to neighbors in need*—Augustus contributes to many organizations that serve the poor, both in funding and in our members physically helping at places like the soup kitchen in Norristown and other outreach organizations. You can join them!
- ◆ *Evangelism*—sharing the Gospel story with others. This is a hard one for mainline Christians, but we are called to spread the Good News whenever we can.

Lent will be drawing to a close by the time you receive this newsletter, but every year in Lent you'll have a new opportunity to strengthen your relationship with God by striving to be a better disciple of Christ.

The **Sunday school students** are moving through Lent by learning about the Ten Commandments, the Lord's prayer, and other scriptures to help us renew our focus on walking in God's way. As our song goes, "prayer, fasting, and alms giving," with a view toward repentance, is the way we observe Lent. We're looking forward to singing a special song for the congregation on Palm Sunday, March 29th!

Our confirmation students are rehearsing **Stations of the Cross**, which will be presented to the congregation on Good Friday, with the help of many members of the Senior High Youth Group. After the presentation, confirmation classes will be on hiatus until fall.

Summer will be here before we know it and summer at Augustus means **Vacation Bible School**. VBS will take place June 22-25 from 9 a.m. to noon. All children aged 3 and above are welcome at VBS and we always love it when they bring friends and neighbors along for the fun. Sign up using the QR code found in this newsletter or just email me at education@augustrappe.org. Please sign up before June 10th so we can be sure to have enough snacks, craft supplies, etc.



Summer is also time for **Bear Creek Camp**. Bear Creek invites campers to "explore, celebrate, and grow in relationship with God, nature, and community." I've never heard of a child who did not have a fantastic time at Bear Creek. Registration is open at bearcreekcamp.org and Augustus has scholarships for those who would like to attend.

Thank you for your prayers and support of the children and youth of Augustus.

Blessings,

Sonya Sowards

Director of Christian Education



Institute for Child Healthcare Africa (ICHA) arises out of a decade of innovative pediatric and neonatology work, especially in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU). It is a 501 (c)3 tax-exempt organization, and a registered international non-governmental organization (NGO).

Care of hospitalized newborns and children, and training of doctors and nurses, is supported through your donations.

You can see more at: www.ichafrica.org

The Arusha Pediatric & Maternal Care Centre (APMC)

Our new clinic has now **passed its first government inspection**, an important milestone toward registration as a specialty clinic. The former primary school campus is being transformed into a **laboratory, pharmacy, 6 exam rooms, administrative offices, and waiting areas**, with plans for an acute care treatment room and staff conference space. We have also installed lighting, WiFi, security cameras, and a computer-based medical record system. Each step requires time and effort, but we are hopeful to open in mid-April.



Transitioning to CHSC

After resigning from ELCA last year, new opportunities opened for ICHA's work in Tanzania and at Arusha Lutheran Medical Centre. Next month we will officially join **Christian Health Service Corps (CHSC)**. We are grateful for this partnership and will attend their orientation in the U.S. this summer. In the meantime, our work—including neonatology training and the new clinic—continues to be supported through ICHA @ www.ichafrica.org.

The proceeds from Augustus' Women of the ELCA 2026 Spring Turkey Dinner/Craft & Vendor Fair will go towards supporting the Swanson's work.

Tiny Feet, Big Steps Conference May 11-15 2026

Our main TFBS conference, postponed last November due to post-election unrest, will now take place this May in Arusha. African instructors are coming from **Kenya, South Africa, Uganda, and Ethiopia**, alongside our growing Tanzanian team.

This year we will also host a **two-day pre-conference workshop focused on teaching skills for African nursing instructors**, led by our friend Lindsey Hoover. These gatherings continue to build friendships, collaboration, and stronger neonatal care across the region, and we are putting in special efforts to improve the teaching abilities of both our TFBS nursing instructors and physicians.

Planning has already begun for **TFBS conferences in Ghana and Uganda later this year in October-November**. More information can be found at www.tinyfeetbigsteps.com



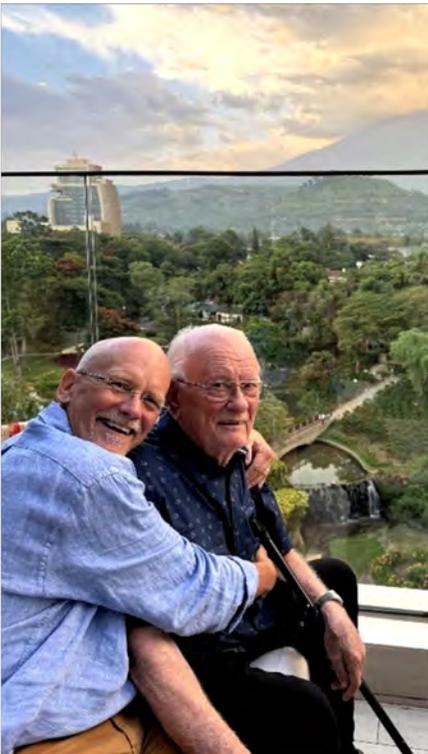
Evelyne Mushi to graduate March 26!

Many of you have followed **Dr. Evelyne Mushi's** journey over the years. On **March 26**, she will graduate from her **Pediatric Residency at Tygerberg Hospital in Cape Town**. Hongera sana, Evelyne! We are incredibly proud of her perseverance through these demanding four years, and eager to celebrate with her!

Evelyne plans to pursue a **Neonatology Fellowship at the University of Cape Town**, but will spend time in Arusha first helping with our TFBS conferences and clinical work in the NICU. She will also be joining our ICHA team as we visit several Ugandan NICUs in a few months as consultants.



Babu is back in town!



We are happy to welcome Steve's 91-year-old father, Allen Swanson, back to our home in Arusha. It is a chance for him to escape the cold MN winter and enjoy the great outdoors surrounding our home. We are enjoying his company and as the naps increase, we are reminded that our time with him will not last forever.

He keeps himself busy with books and continues to work through his study Bible which is always an inspiration for us. Steve's sister has just joined us which will allow us to travel to South Africa for Evelyne's graduation and attend/teach at a conference in Greece. We are enjoying the mini-family reunion here in Arusha.

We have been taking giant steps forward and at the same time we have been hurdling big challenges and we are so grateful to the Lord for His goodness, strength, and provision over these past months. Though we carry a tremendous amount of stress, we also carry within our hearts a tremendous amount of gratitude for the many supporters that have walked this road with us.

Thank you,

Steve and Jodi Swanson



Spring Turkey Dinner

CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR

RAFFLE

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CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR:
2 TO 6 PM
FREE ADMISSION



crafters and vendors needed:
AugustusCraftShow@gmail.com

LIVE MUSIC: Gavin Ellison

TAKE-OUT ONLY
self-service seating will be provided
3 TO 6 PM

\$ 22 Presale w/ Payment
\$ 25 at the Door

ROAST TURKEY, POTATO STUFFING
SEASONAL VEGETABLES
PEPPER CABBAGE, CRANBERRY SAUCE
ROLL, DESSERT

TO RESERVE TICKETS:
(a limited number of tickets available at the door)
PHONE 610-489-9625
ONLINE: AUGUSTUSTRAPPE.ORG

SATURDAY APRIL 25, 2026

Dr. Stephen and Jodi Lynn Swanson, Missionaries in Tanzania

Proceeds benefit:

Sponsors: WordFM Radio, Great Songs of the Faith Radio, Trappe Tavern, Thrivent Financial, Phoenixville Federal Bank & Trust, Risher Van Horn



JOHN 11:25-26
Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die.

Do you believe this?"

EASTER SUNDAY

RESURRECTION

Sunday

APRIL 05TH, 2026 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

FESTIVE WORSHIP WITH SPECIAL MUSIC

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Sunday Services: 8:00 AM Communion * 9:00 AM Sunday School * 10:30 AM Communion

Augustus Lutheran Church 2026 Spring Turkey Dinner Craft and Vendor Fair



Date: Saturday, April 25th 2026

Time: 2:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Location: Augustus Lutheran Church
717 W. Main street
Trappe, PA 19426

The 2026 Craft and Vendor Fair will again be hosted by Augustus Women of the ELCA in conjunction with our Annual Spring Turkey Dinner. Crafters and vendors add a special touch to this event which is a fundraiser that supports our mission work in Tanzania.

The fair will be held indoors. Augustus Lutheran Church is handicap accessible with an elevator and wheelchair accessible restrooms.

The take-out only turkey dinner will be served from 3:00pm until 6:00pm in Fellowship Hall. **All craft fair participants buying one or more dinner tickets will receive a \$5 discount on their table or space fee.**

Reserve your space today! Complete the registration form and return with payment to:

**Augustus Women of the ELCA
c/o Nancy Loughery
532 Ridge Rd
Telford PA 18969
(215) 266-6566**

Registration Deadline: Monday April 20th 2026

The Fair may appeal to professional vendors as well as crafters, so please pass the word!

Booths may be set up on Saturday April 25 from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM

For more information, please email: augustuscraftshow@gmail.com

The proceeds from Augustus' Women of the ELCA 2026 Spring Turkey Dinner/Craft & Vendor Fair will go towards supporting the Swanson's work. Find out more about them on page9!

*“Those who are happiest are those who do the most for others.”
-Booker T. Washington*

**2026 Spring Turkey Dinner
Craft and Vendor Fair Registration
April 25th 2026
2 PM to 6PM
Augustus Lutheran Church, Trappe, PA**

Contact Name: _____

Business Name (if any): _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

*****Type of Booth (circle all that apply): Business, Craft, Food Items, Other***
What will you be selling?:**

Without Dinner Order				With Dinner Order			
Number	Description	Unit Price	Fees Due	Number	Description	Unit Price	Fees Due
_____	8' space only	\$10.00	\$	_____	8' space only	\$5.00	\$
_____	8' space and 8' table	\$25.00	\$	_____	8' space and 8' table	\$20.00	\$
				_____	Take-out dinner(s)	\$22.00	\$
	Total Due		\$		Total Due		\$

Check here if you need electricity: _____ (please bring an extension cord)

Print out this page, and return with your check made payable to **Augustus Women of the ELCA**. Or email this form to Augustuscraftshow@gmail.com and mail your check to the address below.

Special needs or requests:

Signed _____

Make payment payable to **Augustus Women of the ELCA**
and return form to:

**Nancy Loughery
532 Ridge Rd
Telford PA 18969
(215) 266-6566**

Registration Deadline: Monday April 20th, 2025



Live Stream Help Needed!

As announced at the recent Congregational Meeting, Jim Lien, our “Streaming Guy” is going to be ‘out of service’ for a while as due to upcoming ankle surgery. Balcony steps are going to be his nemesis for a while!

Jim is seeking someone to fully take over the streaming system and MCTV PowerPoint, as his ability to work from home is uncertain. Chilly and Shane can handle the live stream Sunday mornings, but help will still be necessary. Chilly is active with Vestry and Sunday School and Shane now has more than enough on his plate being the new Vestry President. Jim needs to train someone to run the live stream and to make the graphics (all the templates are on Google Drive) as well as to make it all work.

This is a great opportunity to learn something new as well as to volunteer with the church primarily from home!

One volunteer has come forward (THANK YOU!), but if we could get two or three people fully up to speed, Jim would be able to relax during his recovery with full confidence that things will go smoothly. Contact Jim at JCLien@gmail.com for more information!

Augustus Book Club

The next meeting of the Augustus Book Club will be held on
Monday, April 20 at 7:00 pm in the Vestry Room.

We'll discuss

Sister, Sinner: The Miraculous Life and Mysterious Disappearance of
Aimee Semple McPherson

Want more info?

Contact Karen McClain 610-489-9625 or office@augustustrappe.org



2026 Vestry		
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April

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 2:00 pm Staff Mtg 6:00 pm 3-in-1	2 6:00 pm Bell Choir 7:00 pm Vocal Choir 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service	3 12:00 noon Office Closed 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross	4
5 EASTER 8:00 am Holy Communion 9:00 am Sunday School 9:00 am Adult Bible Study 10:30 am Holy Communion	6 Office Closed	7 7:00 pm Vestry Meeting	8 9:00 am Soup Kitchen	9 6:00 pm Bell Choir 7:00 pm Vocal Choir	10	11 Grange Tea Party
12 8:00 am Holy Communion 9:00 am Sunday School 9:00 am Adult Bible Study 10:30 am Holy Communion	13 7:00 pm Knitting	14 7:00 pm Comm. Club	15 2:00 pm Staff Mtg	16 6:00 pm Bell Choir 7:00 pm Vocal Choir	17	18
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April Birthdays

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Christi Redeyoff	2 Pat O'Hara Joseph Schaffer John Schwirian Kelly Stalker	3 Susan Adams Randy Riegner	4 Carol Shaheen Tracy Wessner
5 Mikey Ries	6 Taylor Halteman	7 Kevin Beattie Kenneth Gold	8 Emily Allebach Tessa Clark Nathan Kutteroff	9 David Judisch Thomas Wessner	10 Hailey Kane	11 Luca Viviani
12	13	14 Jeff Scholl	15 Thomas Brown Richard Holcombe Olaf Markert	16 Jeannie Funk Teresa Niemann Allie Squartino	17 Caroline Antrim Anna Jacobs David Stroman Andrew Tartar	18 Stephen Holcombe Jace Viviani
19 Nicole Long Gary Wessner	20 Kara Camuso Alice Franks Brielle Pribbernow Janet Stokes	21 Jason Mulle Evan Napier Olivia Perkins Samantha Swan Liz Wentworth	22 Frances Ivarson Ashley Smith	23 Ginger Oscapinski	24	25 David Halteman Jon Lewis
26 Linda Schweitzer Bernard Wagenseller	27 Paula Garton Maria Kochel Alice Rodenberger Grace Schlegel	28 Erick Lyaro	29 Deb Scholl	30 Michael DeNucci Frank DePaul Kevin Hynes		