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# The BEACON

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*Bi-weekly news of Augsburg Evangelical Lutheran Church, Winston-Salem, North Carolina*

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*The mission of Augsburg Evangelical Lutheran Church is to glorify God by proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ through worship, witness, education, service and fellowship.*



## The Internship Begins

On Sunday, February 18, Emily Norris - Augsburg's Director of Student and Social Ministries - will be installed as a Pastoral Intern at both services. We are delighted to welcome Deacon Tammy Jones-West, Assistant to the Bishop of the North Carolina Synod, to be part of this special day.

This role, commonly known as a Vicar, will allow Emily the hands-on experience she needs as part of her preparation to be an Ordained Minister in the ELCA. Emily is part of a unique program through Wartburg Seminary, Dubuque, Iowa, called the Collaborative Learning Program. This program is designed to allow church workers to stay in their roles while preparing for future pastoral calls.

Emily has completed two years of studies in the classroom and recently received her endorsement from the NC Synod Candidacy Committee. She is excited to begin internship. However, Emily's internship will look a little different than previous interns here at Augsburg.

The "traditional intern" model is designed to have a seminary student serve as a Vicar in a congregation full-time for one year. However, the Collaborative Learning Model is designed for students to keep their current roles while also serving as interns. This means the internship experience is longer than the traditional model.

Beginning this month, Emily will be serving the church in this dual role. That means 50% of her time will be devoted to her current roles and 50% will be in her role as Vicar. She will serve as the Vicar for 18 months instead of the traditional 11 month cycle. Emily has worked closely with Pastor Paul, the Personnel Committee, and the Council to create a healthy balance of these roles.

Vicar Emily will coordinate with Pastor Paul to be involved in the work of the church that she has not focused on in the past. This will include preaching, visitation, church administration, and many other tasks. She also will continue to serve the wider church as all Augsburg's interns have in the past.



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Each week, Emily will spend about 12 hours in the Christ Beloved Community. CBC is a joint Episcopalian-Lutheran Mission Start on South Main St. which focuses on the Hispanic and African-American Communities. Emily will share her pastoral talents with this community as it grows into an established congregation. This will be a great experience for her to be a part of.

Each month, Emily will serve two Sundays in worship leadership roles at Augsburg and two Sundays at Christ Beloved.

In order to keep a healthy balance in all the ways Emily serves God through Augsburg, Emily will be supervised by Pastor Paul and have the support of an Internship Committee. She will also have a set Sabbath day each week (Fridays) to ensure her ongoing well being.

This is an exciting time for Vicar Emily and the church. Please keep her in prayer as she takes this next step on her call journey!

# YOUTH MINISTRIES

## Augsburg introduces new Youth Ministry Coordinator:

As Emily Norris transitions to her role as Vicar, many of the important duties that she has done in leading our youth ministry program no longer fit into her ministry schedule. Last year the Council recognized that there

are many roles related to the youth program that require more than volunteer assistance. These include weekly planning and leading of meetings, but also long range and retreat/travel planning. That led to the creation of a part-time Youth Ministry Coordinator position and an interview process in which both internal and external candidates were interviewed.

After a thorough interview process, we are pleased to announce that Robin Welch has been hired to serve as the role of part-time Youth Ministry Coordinator. Robin brings decades of experience in youth ministry and has a passion for the young people of our congregation. Her energy and enthusiasm for youth ministry is evident in all of her interactions with our youth. Robin will begin her role on March 1.



Lutheran Ladies made Valentine's to present to the shelter folks on Valentine's day at the church. The ladies then enjoyed a gathering around the table for food, games and good fellowship.



# Always being made New.

THE CAMPAIGN FOR THE ELCA

Since the formation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) in the late eighties, Augsburg has played an important role in the life of the church beyond the congregation level. Our partnership with the North Carolina Synod, and the whole ELCA, has borne much fruit over the last three decades.

We continue to see that partnership at work in many ways today. Our support of renewing congregations, encouragement of global ministries, and helping to end hunger are just a few of the ways that we partner with the wider Church. Now, we are being invited to partner with the ELCA through their "Always Being Made New" campaign. This campaign continues to address the ways we have been supporting the wider church already, but now focuses on a priority very close to us...the growth of future leaders.

It is a unique joy for Augsburg to help support four women and men who are called to professional ministry – Athena Bless, Anna Carter, Emily Norris, and Collins Pritchett. The whole Church is in great need of new leaders, and we are honored to support them. But the Church also needs the support of congregations like Augsburg to help other students achieve their goals as well.

The final phase of the "Always Being Made New" campaign focuses on the raising up of new leaders through the Fund for Leaders in Mission Program. Our own Emily Norris is a Fund for Leaders recipient. We are called to support this effort by joining other congregations like ours as participants in this campaign.

On February 24 and 25, we will learn more about this campaign from Cheryl Philip and Sylvia Black. Cheryl is the manager for donor relations, based in Chicago, who visited with Augsburg last year, and Sylvia is a fellow disciple from Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Chapel Hill who serves on the national Campaign Steering Committee. You are invited to learn more about how you can participate at these two occasions:

+On Saturday, February 24, you are invited to the home of Keith and Ruth Kookan, to join them in their support of the campaign. They will be hosting a gathering from 5:30 to 7:00 pm at their home. Please RSVP if you would like to attend.

+On Sunday, February 25, you are invited to participate in a conversation during the Sunday School hour in the Family Life Center.



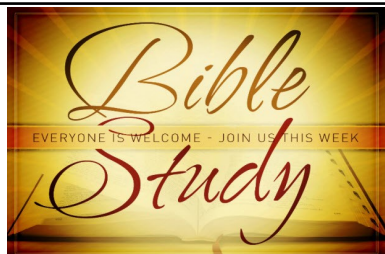
## Cottage Gatherings to begin soon!

Beginning in March and extending through May, Pastor Paul will be conducting numerous Cottage Gatherings for all Augsburg disciples. The primary purpose of these gatherings is for Pastor Paul to get to know each member a little bit better in an informal setting and to share more about the ongoing vision for ministry at Augsburg.

Each of these gatherings should last about ninety minutes and will be held either in member's homes or at the church. Some of them will be during the day, some in the evenings, and some on a weekend. Child care will be available at a few of the locations. There are about twenty families that will be hosting these gatherings spread throughout Augsburg's footprint. We are hopeful that each of you will be able to attend one that will suit your schedule and location.

Beginning March 4, Cottage Gathering sign-ups will take place online and on Sundays outside the Gathering Room. Please make every effort to sign up for one of the gatherings. If you have any questions please contact the church office (336-722-8144), Kathy Carr (336-407-8224) or Kathy Nelson (336-682-0857).

# CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS



**G.I.F.T.:** meets on Sunday mornings at 10:00 A.M. We are studying the Reformation.

**“O. M. Genesis” Study:** Pastor Paul’s Bible Study meets Mondays at 10:45 A.M. in the Sid Sowers Classroom.

**Continue in My Word:** Welcome to the Monday Adult Weekly Bible Study, in the Youth Area from 6:00 - 7:30 P.M. We are studying Jeremiah. Bring your Bible.

**7:18 Youth Bible Study:** meets on Wednesdays at various locations.



**Dinner for 6** Some things old become new again! We have changed the name from Breaking Bread back to Dinner for 6. It is still the same great way to get to know your church family better by sharing meals together. In the 3 month cycle of melas you host once and are guests in another home twice. Although it is set up with the format for 6 at each dinner, that is not a number you have to be limited to. You can invite more guests if the size of your home permits and you wish to do so. That is another way to get to know more people. When you host you provide the main course and drinks while your guests bring appetizers, side dishes, or desserts. If you have any questions about Dinner for 6 or if you would like to participate in the Spring session (March, April, and May) please contact Margee Nolting at **336-940-**

**3404** or [margeen@twc.com](mailto:margeen@twc.com) by February 16.



The family of Dot Gantt would like to thank everyone for your cards, concern and prayers when our mom passed away in December. The service Pastor Paul, Dr. Olsen and our choir provided was truly a service of celebration for her life on earth and for her life eternal. Thank you also to Mary Newman and everyone who helped provide delicious refreshments at the reception in the fellowship hall. Augsburg is and always has been a special place of worship filled with genuine caring friends.



Terry Merced is recuperating in Durham following the successful kidney transplant surgery. Here is his address:  
300 Alexan Dr. Apt 108, Durham, NC 27707.

## READINGS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

Feb. 4	Isaiah 40:21-31	Psalm 147:1-11, 20c	1 Cor. 9:16-23	Mark 1:29-39
Feb. 11	2 Kings 2:1-12	Psalm 50:1-6	2 Cor. 4:3-6	Mark 9:2-9
Feb. 18	Genesis 9:8-17	Psalm 25:1-10	1 Peter 3:18-22	Mark 1:9-15
Feb. 25	Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16	Psalm 22:23-31	Romans 4:13-25	Mark 8:31-38

Ash  
Wednesday



**Ash Wednesday Services:** As we begin this year's Lenten journey, all Augsburg disciples are invited to attend an Ash Wednesday service either at 12:00 noon or at 7:00 P.M. The Imposition of Ashes and Communion will be available at both services.



**Mid-week Lenten services** are nearly upon us. This year, following the Faith Journey given at each Wednesday evening service, we will use Compline (also called "Night Prayer" in *ELW*) as our service of worship. Compline is a Divine Office (like Vespers) that completes the round of daily prayers and praise. The origins date back to the 4th century monastic custom, and come out of the ancient Jewish tradition. Its name comes from the Latin *completorium*, or "ending," "to complete." The canticle *Nunc dimittis* (Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace...) and the Latin hymn "To Thee, Creator of the day's last light" are traditionally sung at this service.

### Wednesdays in Lent

**No reservations are required. Meals will be served at 6:00 P.M.  
Love offerings will be collected. Services begin at 7:00 P.M.**

#### Wednesday, February 21

6:00 P.M. Dinner – Soup and Sandwiches (Kairos Class)  
7:00 P.M. Service of Compline

#### Wednesday, February 28

6:00 P.M. Dinner – Taco Bar (G.I.F.T. Class)  
7:00 P.M. Service of Compline

#### Wednesday, March 7

6:00 P.M. Dinner – Chili (Wingz Men's Group)  
7:00 P.M. Service of Compline

#### Wednesday, March 14

6:00 P.M. Dinner – Chicken Pie (Sid Sowers Class)  
7:00 P.M. Service of Compline

#### Wednesday, March 21

6:00 P.M. Dinner – Lasagna (Covenant Class)  
7:00 P.M. Service of Compline



It's not too late to register for the **April 13-15 Women of Augsburg Spring Retreat** at Lutherock Retreat Center. Registration forms are outside the Gathering Room, and on the desk outside the church office. Space is available on a first come first serve basis and there are **5 remaining spots so get your registration in to reserve your spot.** Place registrations in the office workroom box or mail to the Church with Attn: Women's Retreat. Theme: Wonder Woman: The world tells us we need to have it all and do it all, usually on our own strength, but scripture calls us into community and into a vision of the kingdom that is so

different from this. So how do we find balance? How do we support one another and lift one another up as sisters in Christ? Pastor Lauren Carlson will lead our exploration in balancing worldly expectations, our call as children of God, and our need for faith-filled community.

### Augsburg Lutheran Church Financial Snapshot as of January 31, 2018

Current Operating Fund	January <u>Actuals</u>	YTD <u>Actuals</u>	% of Annual <u>Budget Met</u>	2018 <u>Annual Budget</u>
Income	\$ 71,257	\$ 71,257	8.70%	\$ 818,592
Expenditures	<u>59,929</u>	<u>59,929</u>	7.27%	<u>824,113</u>
Surplus or (Deficit)	\$ 11,328	\$ 11,328		\$ (5,521)
<b>Member Benevolence Giving:</b>				
Refugee Love		\$ 20		
Charity Reserve/Crisis Control		\$ 165		
Overflow Shelter		\$ 703		
Lutheran World Relief		\$ 160		

## Augsburg Lutheran Church Financial Snapshot as of December 31, 2017

Current Operating Fund	<b>December</b>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>% of Annual</b>	<b>2017</b>
	<b><u>Actuals</u></b>	<b><u>Actuals</u></b>	<b><u>Budget Met</u></b>	<b><u>Annual</u></b>
				<b><u>Budget</u></b>
Income	\$ 100,668	\$ 782,117	100.53%	\$ 777,984
Expenditures	<u>101,606</u>	<u>778,403</u>	96.73%	<u>804,690</u>
Surplus or (Deficit)	\$ (938)	\$ 3,713		\$ (26,706)

### Special Benevolence Giving:

Pastor's Discretionary Fund	\$ 8,306
Tanzania Well Project	\$ 7,800
Refugee Love	\$ 5,045
Charity Reserve/Crisis Control	\$ 4,602
Arts @ Augsburg	\$ 3,897
Overflow Shelter	\$ 3,460
Lutheran World Relief	\$ 3,160
ELCA Domestic Disaster	\$ 2,630
Souper Bowl of Caring	\$ 1,666

### Comments:

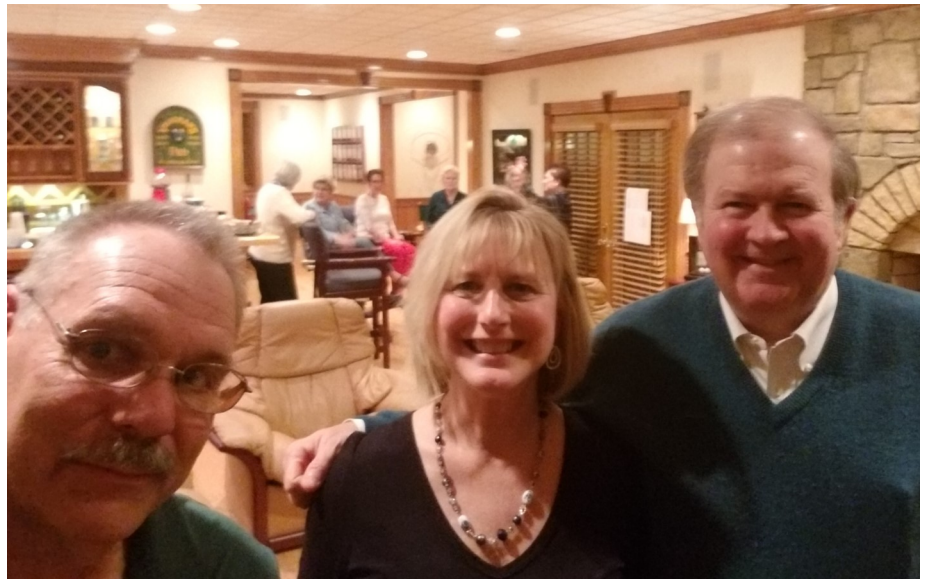
1. The year to date surplus was \$38,150 before Council approved the following expenditures:
  - A. The 2017 budget approved by the congregation could only satisfy \$60,000 of the requested \$87,781 NC Synod Mission support. \$5000 was sent to the NC Synod, \$3000 was sent to Lutheridge, \$3000 was sent to Lutherock, and \$3000 was sent to Christ Beloved. These additional gifts bring us closer to meeting mission support requested by the NC Synod for 2017.
  - B. \$11,500 was used to support Augsburg's Youth Ministry ministry.
  - C. \$5768 was used to support the seminary student, and the 2017 budget could not support this ministry and funds were used from the Hackbarth Education Fund. With the 2017 surplus, the Hackbarth Education Fund was repaid so that these funds could be used for future ministries.
  - D. \$682 was used to support the Summer Day Camp ministry, and the 2017 budget could not fully support this ministry and funds were used from the Hackbarth Education Fund. With the 2017 surplus, the Hackbarth Education Fund was repaid.
  - E. \$2000 was used to replenish Music Dedicated funds that were used for guest musician expenses.
  - F. \$500 was used to replenish Arts at Augsburg dedicated funds that were used for event expenses.
2. With these additional expenditures, the initial year to date surplus decreased from \$38,150 to \$3,713.
3. Disciples have also given to support the greater community through special benevolent giving.



Hosted by Keith and Lydia Vaughan, the Covenant Sunday School Class and special guests enjoyed a party and the game on Super Bowl Sunday.







## FEBRUARY 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Colleen Crozier Jerry Pipes Alan Regenthal	2 Julie Hojnacki	3 Jennifer Linnell Mike Wilson
4 Joanna Frock	5 Paul Harder	6 John Boyd Nancy Crandall Rita Geisinger Eileen New Chris Wilkie	7 Drew Barbee Bill Dinkins	8 Penny Cuka Donald Safrit	9 Carrol Epting Jimmy Lippard Calla Walkush	10
11 Keeton Aplin Linda Brock	12 Ella Meade Lyndsay Regenthal Becky Roediger Reid Wollner	13 Alexa Bandle Satie Stevens	14 Jimmy Styles Paul Wollner	15 Keith Kookon	16 Mark Menzel Finn Seeba	17
18 Phyllis Adkinson Margaret Hensrud Meghan Martin Mary Newman Marylynn Sloop	19 Natalie Martin	20 Richard Chapple Roger Schwartz	21 Bill Chandler	22 John Collins Joel Ragan Jacob Wharton	23 Marian Apel Dylan Horn Maddie Leonard Effie Sue Utt Lydia Vaughan	24 Joan Lane Ashlie Martin Chuck Roediger
26 Maggie DeBaugh Clay Ragan	27 Evan Walkush	28 Gregory Comer Katherine Frucht Mallie Witt				



## FEBRUARY MEMBERS PROVIDING SERVICE

	February 4	February 11	February 18	February 25
<b>COVER ARTIST</b>	Claire Wynnemer	Elisa Barger	Rachel Perkins Baynes	Aiden Richardson
<b>ACOLYTES</b>	8:30 Abby Blanks David Johnson	Mason Paschold Walker Paschold	Julia Grossnickle TBD	Meghan Ballard Juliette Levine
<b>CRUCIFERS</b>	11:00 Harrison Hickman Ethan Olsen	Katie Kirkeeng Travis Pipes	Ryan Hicks Jacque Weber	Emma Auch TBD
<b>TORCH BEARERS</b>	8:30 Emma Blanks 11:00 Ethan Horn	Caroline Bevis Stuart Martin	Daniel Nolting Harrison Hickman	Alex Ballard Jacob Andrews
<b>BANNER BEARER</b>	8:30 11:00	Mary Claire Bevis Tate McQuat Lucas Bradley Zeke Bradley TBD		
<b>OFFERING BEARER</b>	8:30 11:00	Emma Hanes TBD		
<b>LAY READERS</b>	8:30 11:00	Faith Cashion Ron Hefner Anna Rubino-Schneider	Fred Frazier Kristen Zeller Vera Robinson	Luke Wollner TBD TBD
<b>COMMUNION ASSISTANTS</b>	8:30 11:00	Liz Craven Kent Reichert Linda Martin Phil Martin	Chris Almerini John Bandle Clarence Dixon Jean Dixon	Diane Evans Nanette Shutt Lara Carter Kathie Eppert
<b>OBLATION BEARERS</b>	8:30 11:00	TBD TBD Colleen Crozier Lisa Crozier	TBD TBD TBD TBD	TBD TBD TBD TBD
<b>ASSISTING MINISTERS</b>	8:30 11:00	Emily Norris Alex Ballard	Don Armitage Anna Rubino-Schneider	John Collins Barbara Gerhard
<b>NURSERY</b>	8:30 SS 11:00	Scott Walkush Dana Mulhearn Katherine Wollner	Emily Andrews No SS Elizabeth Chéron	Jill Fowler Mary Lou Leonard Elizabeth Chéron
<b>USHERS</b>	8:30 11:00	Rick Brandt Pat Holland Alex Paschold Charlie Schoderbek Walter Barger Don Eppert Scott Hanes Chuck Roediger	Collette Griffin Rick Brandt Pat Holland Alex Paschold Charlie Schoderbek Walter Barger Don Eppert Scott Hanes Chuck Roediger	Rick Brandt Pat Holland Alex Paschold Charlie Schoderbek Walter Barger Don Eppert Scott Hanes Chuck Roediger
<b>VISITORS WELCOME TABLE &amp; GREETERS</b>	8:30 11:00	Reicherts/Mary Newman Kathy Carr	Elisa Fernbach Collette Griffin	Mary Lou Leonard Debbie Byorick
<b>SUNDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP</b>		Joyce Silts	Claire Ohanessian	Jane Maxey

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**9:00 A.M.**

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