



## Holy Week and Easter at Augustana



#### Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday, April 14

8 a.m.\* **Worship/Communion** - Christ Chapel 8–11 a.m. Palm Sunday Breakfast - Fellowship Hall

(No adult classes; a video for children will be available

in Rooms 1-3)

10:30 a.m.\* Worship/Communion - Sanctuary



#### Maundy Thursday, April 18

11 a.m. Worship/Communion - Sanctuary
Noon Monthly Luncheon - Fellowship Hall
7 p.m.\* Worship/Communion - Sanctuary

First Communion



#### Good Friday, April 19

Noon Worship - Sanctuary

Lessons and Silence

7 p.m.\* Worship - Sanctuary

Seven Last Words by Michael John Trotta



#### Resurrection of Our Lord, Easter Sunday, April 21

8 a.m.\* Worship/Communion - Sanctuary

9–10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour - Fellowship Hall

9:30 a.m.\* Worship/Communion - Sanctuary

10:35 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt - Courtyard

11 a.m.\* Worship/Communion - Sanctuary

(No Sunday school, adult classes,

or Jammin' Augustana Super Sundays)

\*Nursery care available

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Thursday, April 18, 4:30 p.m. is the deadline for the May edition. Email Lyn Goodrum (goodrum@ augustanadenver.org).

#### Sunday Schedule

- 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Worship
- 9:15 a.m. Faith Formation (September–May)

#### **Chapel Prayer**

• Monday, 10 a.m., Christ Chapel

#### **Mission Statement**

Celebrating God's grace, we welcome everyone to worship Jesus, grow in faith, and go serve in the world.

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### Recently lifted up in prayer

#### For hope and healing:

#### For comfort and courage:

- Family and friends of Marilyn Barber in her death
- Family and friends of Sara Benham in her death
- Nancy McCartney in the death of her brother, Edward Durbin
- Matt and Cara Thomas in the death of their friend, Greg Landers
- Annika Buhr in the death of her friend, Jack Padilla

- Julie MacDougall in the death of her friend, Ray Putnum
- Craig Tamminga and Jayme Howard in the death of their uncle, Jim Roorda
- JoAnn Ryan and family in the death of her husband, Joseph Ryan
- Family and friends of Nicolette Tiburcio in her death



### Thanks for a great Sunday!

March 17 was a wonderful morning with Bishop Jim Gonia and Augustana Early Learning Center families and staff! Money raised for ELCA World Hunger with the Empty Bowl silent auction and soup lunch hosted by Children, Youth, and Family Ministry amounted to \$1,000! If you missed the chance, you may still designate a donation to ELCA World Hunger at www. augustanadenver.org; click on the Giving link.

Assisted by Augustana members and friends, Bishop Gonia led "Claiming Our Gifts," Sunday, March 17.



Augustana Early Learning Center children and staff sang during worship on March 17.

### Rejoice with

 Eden James Cockrell, daughter of Nathaniel and Josie Cockrell and granddaughter of George and Julie Cotton, in her baptism

## Thanks, Augustana!

Thanks for the support and prayers! I have now become a "bionic" woman and walking very well. Looking forward to being involved again.

Jean Gall

## AELC celebrates Preschool Sunday, develops a strategic plan, and opens summer and fall enrollment

During worship on March 17, Augustana celebrated Preschool Sunday and welcomed the children of Augustana Early Learning Center, their parents, and its staff. The children blessed the congregation with their voices, singing "This Little Light of Mine," which they learned in their weekly music class with Miss Alex.

During its March meeting, the Board of the Early Learning Center approved a comprehensive strategic plan that will take it into 2021, when the Center will celebrate its 50th anniversary. The strategic plan committee was comprised of two teachers, two parents,

two board members, and a former congregation council president. It addresses the areas of communications, finances, center policies and procedures, staff, curriculum and programming, and facilities.

The board and the center staff thank Paul Blanchard and the Property Committee for all the work they have done to prepare the center's facilities for its state licensing inspection during April.

The center is now in the process of planning for its popular summer program and taking applications for both the summer session and the 2019–2020 academic year. If you would like to enroll your child in either program, contact director **Wendie Edwards** (303-388-7012 or wendie@ augustanadenver.org).

### **Pastors**

### Psalms give voice to human feeling



As part of our "Triple Treat Weekend" in March, Pastor Caitlin and I led a half-day retreat on the Psalms. With the group, we talked about favorite psalms, read psalms with many different themes, and had time for personal reflection.

One of the things we discovered together—actually, several people already knew it—is that the psalms encompass pretty much every human emotion possible. There are psalms of thanksgiving, awe, pain, doubt and suffering. Sometimes all of those emotions can be found just in one psalm!

Sometimes when we pray or talk with God, we feel (or maybe we were taught) that we need to "sanitize" our speech. Maybe we think we can't be angry with God, or have doubts, or rail against the injustice in the world. But the psalms don't pull any punches! They speak with freedom and honesty to God, and were written by people like us. We can find hope (as our Lent devotion says) for our own faith as we read and sing them.

For many years, I've used a devotion book from the Moravian Church called *The Daily Texts*. The book gives you the opportunity to read through all 150 psalms each year, and it has shaped my faith. I highly recommend it as a way to deepen your own journey. You can find the suggested daily passages at www.moravian.org.

Wishing you hope as we journey toward Easter!

#### **Pastor Ann**

### The Hush Holy Week



When I first heard someone say Maundy Thursday, I thought it was "Monday" Thursday, which, of course, makes absolutely no sense. Maundy makes no sense either. Except that it does because I've since learned it comes from the Latin

mandatum which means command. Jesus commands his disciples to love each other as he loves them. Then he kneels down and washes their feet. The next day he's lifted on a cross to die, and then he's buried with pounds of spice in a borrowed grave. Holy Saturday often feels hushed, an odd, quiet feeling. Sure, you could argue, it's that way because I'm a pastor and have spent the previous days in four worship services. But it's not that, or not only that, because it happened before the pastor thing too.

The hush on Holy Saturday started happening when I started worshiping Thursday and Friday in Holy Week. There was something that was true about the worship in a different way. I wish that I could do a better job naming it. I'm going to risk projecting my own longing for God and say that those three days are when I most experience God's longing for humanity across the breach of our ridiculousness—the way we take unimportant things so seriously and the important things so lightly.

Here's a thought or two. Write a haiku or four in advance of Holy Week. Spend a week or two digging deep with them as you ponder the surrender of God before the wonder of Easter. And worship on Thursday and Friday. Let yourself be thrown off balance into the hush of Holy Saturday. I look forward to hearing how it goes for you.

Peace.

#### **Pastor Caitlin**

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified.









### Holy Week Haiku

Submit a haiku or two about Holy Week anytime between Sunday, March 31 and Good Friday, April 19. Your lines can be inspired by scripture, study, prayer, worship, experiences, impressions—anything at all about Holy Week.

Haiku is a 17-syllable verse form consisting of three lines of 5, 7, and 5 syllables. Submit your haiku on the News/Blog page at www.augustanadenver.org, or email it to **Lyn Goodrum** (goodrum@augustanadenver.org). Haiku will be shared via Augustana's printed and online publications. Thank you!

Jesus, I confess you crucified on a cross. This is your glory.

-Pastor Caitlin

## The journey to Holy Week continues . . .

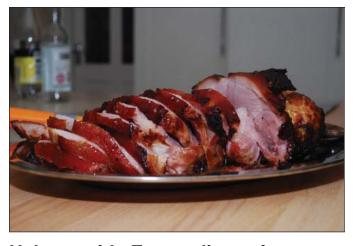
## **Enjoy soup and worship Wednesday evenings in Lent**



All are invited to come together for a simple soup meal at 6:15 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, followed by **Holden Evening**Prayer at 7 p.m. in Christ Chapel, Wednesdays in Lent, March 27 and April 3 and 10. This beautiful

worship service and time of fellowship will help us shape this time of Lent as we journey together.

If you would like to help provide soup for the meals, please contact **Julie MacDougall** (macdougall@ augustanadenver.org).



## Help provide Easter dinner for Warren Village families!

Augustana continues its annual tradition of providing Easter dinner baskets for 106 families living at Warren Village, a community where low-income, single-parent families can achieve sustainable personal and economic self-sufficiency. Each basket costs \$38 and includes a ham, canned fruits and vegetables, dinner rolls and a fruit pie. Contributions are due at Augustana by Thursday, April 11. Make checks payable to Augustana Lutheran Church and note "Warren Village" in the memo, or donate online at www.augustanadenver.org. A \$500 Action Team Request has been granted from Thrivent.

#### Volunteers are needed to help pack baskets.

This is a great family activity! The food will be delivered to Warren Village, and we will assemble the food baskets there. Volunteers from Augustana will meet at the Warren Village office (1300 Gilpin St.) to pack baskets, Sunday, April 14, 12:30 p.m. Or, Augustana will offer bus transportation to Warren Village, departing from the Fairfax entrance at noon and returning about 2 p.m. Contact Augustana's office (303-388-4678) to reserve your place on the bus.

Thank you for both your gifts and your service for Augustana's support of single parents and their children as they work toward a brighter future!

## Lenten food drive continues through Easter

Augustana continues its tradition of helping stock the shelves of Metro Caring with a special food drive during Lent. Although Augustana's people generously donate food items for Metro Caring throughout the year, special emphasis on caring for our community's hungry is encouraged during Lent—almsgiving for the poor being one of the three classic disciplines in this season.

Please take the following list with you to the grocery store. Bring your food donations to the Metro Caring boxes located at the Fairfax entrance to Fellowship Hall below the sanctuary through Easter, April 21. Thank you!

#### **About Metro Caring**

Metro Caring's diverse approach to fighting hunger includes a fully stocked fresh-foods shopping market, healthy living and nutrition education, and tools and resources for self-sufficiency. Metro Caring is passionate about providing nutritious food to those who face economic hardships and helping them become self-reliant.

#### **Suggested Shopping List:** Look for "100% whole grain," "unsweetened," "no sodium/salt added," or "low sodium" on labels. ☐ Shelf-stable milk/milk Canned tuna substitutes Dry beans Canned beans Rolled oats Peanut butter Canned fruit (in juice, not ☐ Canned vegetables (with in light or heavy syrup) Canned chicken no or low sodium) □ Low-sodium canned soups Quinoa ■ Brown rice ☐ Seeds (unsalted) ■ Nuts (unsalted) ■ Low-sodium pasta sauce ■ Whole-grain pasta □ Popcorn kernels (not ■ Low-sodium canned stews microwave popcorn) ■ Whole-grain, low-sugar ■ Unsweetened apple sauce cold cereals ☐ Olive or canola oil Canned tomatoes ☐ Honey Dried fruits (no sugar □ Chicken/beef/vegetable added) broths and stock Canned corn



## Help Augustana's Easter Garden bloom again this year!

Support Augustana's youth ministries with a gift to the Easter Garden. Your gift in honor or in memory of loved ones will add lilies to the celebration of the Resurrection of Our Lord! The suggested contribution for each individual you wish to honor or remember is \$8. Make checks payable to Augustana Lutheran Church. Use the donation form below or envelopes in Augustana's pew pockets. Gifts must reach Augustana's office by Palm Sunday, April 14, to be included in the Easter Garden insert. Thank you!

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## Parents of college students to pack Easter goodie boxes

On Sunday, April 7, 9:15–10:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall, parents of college students will prepare care packages for our college students to celebrate Easter. Please bring about 24 goodies—Easter candy, microwave popcorn, packets of hot chocolate, granola bars, toys and trinkets—items a male or



female college student would enjoy. If you can't attend on April 7, please leave your treats in Augustana's office, clearly labeled for the college students.

To update your child's current mailing address at school, contact Augustana's office (info@augustanadenver.org or 303-388-4678).

Other questions may be directed to coordinators **Joy Hawkins** (Joy.Hawkins@ucdenver.edu or 303-915-7645) or **Jan Brown** (JTBrown0407@gmail.com or 720-563-7589).



## Young people take First Communion on Maundy Thursday

Children and young people in third grade or older are invited to be a part of Augustana's communion instruction, Sunday, April 7 and 14, 9:15–10:15 a.m. One parent or grandparent is asked to attend each class with their child. Painting of an individual chalice will be Thursday, April 11, 5:30–7 p.m., at Ceramics in the City, and the celebration of First Communion will happen at Maundy Thursday worship April 18 at 7 p.m.

If you are interested in having your child or grandchild be a part of this class, please contact our Director of Youth and Family Ministry, **Shanna VanderWel** (shanna@augustanadenver.org).



Add the spiritual practice of prayer in the unique setting of Augustana's Lent Prayer Stations. Easy-to-follow instructions guide you through a variety of quiet activities suitable for folks from age 5 to 99, including Augustana's labyrinth. Set your own pace as you offer prayers of intercession, praise, confession, or whatever is on your heart.

Visit the prayer stations in Rooms 1–3 during the times listed to the side.

Sponsored by Augustana's Children, Youth, and Family Ministry.

Sundays in Lent	March 31, April 7 and 14	8 a.mnoon	
Holy Week			
Monday	April 15	8:30 a.m4:30 p.m.	
Tuesday	April 16	8:30 a.m4:30 p.m.	
Wednesday	April 17	8:30 a.m8 p.m.	
Maundy Thursday	April 18	8:30 a.m8 p.m.	
Good Friday	April 19	19 8:30 a.m.–8 p.m.	
Holy Saturday	April 20	9 a.mnoon	
Easter Sunday	April 21	8 a.mnoon	

## **April Luncheon follows midday Maundy Thursday worship**

Our April Luncheon follows 11 a.m. Maundy Thursday worship, Thursday, April 18, in Fellowship Hall. Chef Judy Nyquist will appreciate having all reservations to Augustana's office (303-388-4678) by Monday, April 15. Folks of all ages are welcome, and you are encouraged to invite a friend for worship followed by a delicious lunch served by Judy and crew. Cost per person is \$8.

## Palm Sunday Breakfast

Sunday, April 14, 8–11 a.m., Fellowship Hall



Enjoy a delicious

brunch with eggs, bacon, sausage, fruit, pancakes, pastries, smoked salmon and much more! A minimum donation of \$10 per person is encouraged to help support the many youth activities including camp, scholarships, and mission trips.



## Music during Holy Week and Easter

The choirs at Augustana will be leading worship with anthems of faith, meditation, and praise during this holy season.

#### **Maundy Thursday**

Silver Notes sings at 11 a.m.

worship and Chancel Choir at 7 p.m. worship on April 18. As has become tradition, during the stripping of the altar, the choir sings from the balcony accompanied by the beautiful, haunting strains of the cello.

#### **Good Friday**

At 7 p.m. the Chancel Choir, along with orchestra, will present a very new work, *Seven Last Words* by American composer Michael John Trotta. This seven-movement choral journey delivers a powerful and captivating story of the Passion. Our offering of this work will be the first in Colorado. Pastor Ann will deliver the sermon. Please join us on Good Friday, as we journey together toward the cross and in the promise of salvation.

#### **Easter**

Glorious Easter alleluias break forth from musical strains of brass, organ, Augustana Ringers, and all vocal choirs proclaiming the Risen Savior. All three services—8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m.—include brass, organ, Augustana Ringers, and the Chancel Choir. Cherubs and Choristers sing at 9:30 a.m., and Cantabile sings at 11 a.m.

# Palm Sunday Prayer Walk with Urban Servant Corps



Sunday, April 14, 1–3 p.m. 1660 Ogden St.

The Urban Servant Corps community will celebrate the beginning of Holy Week, and you are invited to walk the neighborhood where Urban Servant Corps volunteers have been present for 30 years! You are encouraged to bring your youth group, co-workers, families, and neighbors to offer prayers for those who are most in need in our community. May this gathering be an act of faithful support for the justice that we seek in our neighborhoods.

**Urban Servant Corps** is one of the ministries of Metro East Conference of which Augustana is a part. This walk is a wonderful opportunity to see what's happening in Denver in a way that would be unlikely on an individual stroll and to be a part of the healing taking place in the community by way of prayer and presence. Information: urbanservantcorps.org

**New this Easter Sunday** will be a living cross made by the youth. A cross made out of branches will be covered with flowers as part of our expression of the resurrection. This will complement the Easter lilies that surround the altar.



### Youth to host egg hunt

Augustana's youth host an Easter egg hunt Easter Sunday, April 21, starting at 10:35 a.m. in the courtyard, for all kids 5th grade and under. If there is bad weather, it will be moved to the classroom area.

### Fragrance allergies

Please be aware that there are people with sensitivity to fragrance, and as a courtesy to worshipers, we ask people to use discretion with the use of fragrance during Holy Week and Easter.

**Augustana's office** will be closed the Monday after Easter, April 22. If you have an emergency, call the emergency line (303-862-3027).

### **Property Corner**

## About those beams in Fellowship Hall . . .

Here comes spring! While the Property Committee is very excited to get back outside and continue our work on the grounds, this month we will update you on the Fellowship Hall improvements and the Dakota property projects.

Many of you have noticed the large steel beams being erected on the north side of the Fellowship Hall. No worries! This is NOT to shore up the building itself. The beams are required to install the sliding doors that will cover up items being stored. Steel was required rather than wood due to Denver building codes. Not only will these sliding doors cover up the clutter, they will be faced with wood that matches existing transoms and kitchen cabinetry. The result will be a warmer, more inviting space.

#### Dakota property update

Property Committee members are included in the group examining the future use of the Dakota property. MRA No. 4 (Ministry Results Area) of our strategic plan is: Committed to fully using the gifts of property that we have been given, we will take steps to use our vacant land for attainable housing.

#### Important key points:

- This effort is based on an original idea suggested by Augustana members—we were not approached from an outside group or developer.
- We are working with the nonprofit organizations
   Interfaith Alliance and the Congregational Land
   Campaign, who bring extensive experience to this process.
- Augustana will retain ownership of the land using a leasing agreement.

- Quist Park will remain the same size and may increase with the expansion of the park into currently unused property below the community garden.
- Any resulting project will be designed to fit in architecturally with both Augustana and the neighborhood.
- When the project is further defined and ready to move beyond the conceptual stage, the full congregation will vote on moving forward.

Similar to the last two congregational meetings, Augustana's Congregation Council is planning to host informative and interactive presentations before any proposal is formally presented for adoption by the full congregation.

Blessings from the Property Team

## **Ammerman Library**

### 'New' donated books

The library has received several books donated by Sarah Bjornebo. A beautiful book, *Our Fifty States*, by Bockenhauer has been



shelved in the reference section next to the card catalog. The children's section now has *The Lord's Prayer*, beautifully illustrated by Ladwig, and *My First Book of Prayers* by Britt. In the junior section, several *Little House* books by Laura Ingalls Wilder are now on the shelf; additionally, *The Secret Garden*, *A Wrinkle in Time*, and several *Dear America* historical fiction books have been added. Newer *Dear America* books have replaced the older paperback editions. These older books will be on the give-away table in Fellowship Hall on the fourth Sunday of the month. Thank you, Sarah, for your generosity.

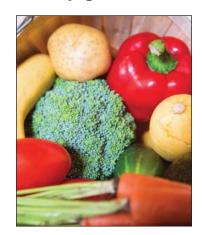
#### Easter book display

Visit the Easter book display on the end shelf east of the library desk. Check them out and share them with your family. Lenten books are displayed in the cabinet in Fellowship Hall.

## **Health Ministry**

## Spring is coming! Think about gardening in Augustana's community garden.

This year (2019) will be the seventh season for Augustana's community garden. We have nine 12 x 16-foot plots and a large pumpkin patch. A bee hive near the garden produced 50 pints of honey in 2018. Gardening is prescription free



medicine with no dosage limit.

#### Ways to participate in our garden:

- Request use of one 12 x 16-foot plot.
- Request use of ½ plot.
- Assist other gardeners.
- Assist the Augustana Early Learning Center children with their 12 x 16 plot.
- Be a composter for the garden.
- Build planters for the pergola so that plants can climb and cover the top of the pergola.

#### Augustana's garden and the SAME Café

Augustana's community garden has one plot dedicated to growing herbs and vegetables for the SAME Café (So All May Eat). All other gardeners also provide produce for this community outreach.

A recent SAME Gala attended by 500 people raised \$90,888 to support feeding the hungry in Denver at the SAME Café and with the SAME Food Truck. The recently unveiled SAME Food Truck will enable So All May Eat to provide healthy, locally sourced meals to people who live in food deserts—areas without easy access to food.

Contact **Joyce Thomson** (djthomson66@gmail.com) for information on Augustana's community garden.

## Did you know?

It has been a cold winter, and we are looking forward to spring. Spring is time to think about gardening. If you live in an apartment with a balcony, have limited outdoor space, or your soil is terrible, container gardening could be a way to grow fresh vegetables. For everyone else, container gardening is still a good option as it saves water, is convenient, and is a good activity for children to learn about food and healthy eating. Container gardens grow a wide variety of vegetables and melons.

To learn more about container gardening, go to Urban Gardening with Vegetables, by Kathy LaLiberte (https://www.gardeners.com/how-to/ urban-gardening-with-vegetables/5491.html).





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#### **Glocal Involvement**

### Glocal Ministry Brown Bag Conversation, Part 2

Sunday, March 31, noon-1:15 p.m., Rooms 4-5

After brainstorming in February, the Social, Global, and LEAPP ministry teams will discuss what cooperative efforts could look like moving forward by way of local and global service. This meeting is for you if you're currently serving on Social Ministry, Global Ministry, or LEAPP (Lutherans Engaging and Accompanying People and Policy). *Glocal* is a word used to convey the simultaneous global impact of local work and the local impact of global work. For more information or to let us know you're coming, e-mail **Pastor Caitlin** (pastor. caitlin.trussell@gmail.com).



## **Greeting cards needed urgently!** (non-Christmas)

The women of New Beginnings Worshipping
Community in the Denver Women's Correctional
Facility are in need of blank greeting cards that they
can send to friends and family. Pick up a multi-pack of
cards on your next trip to the grocery store and drop
them off in Augustana's main office on Sunday. Pastor
Terry Schjang and the volunteers of New Beginnings
sort, bundle, and distribute them to each woman before
Easter—which means get them to Augustana as soon as
you're able! Questions? E-mail pastor.caitlin.trussell@
gmail.com.



#### 115 Personal Care Kits assembled

Thanks for your generosity in supporting the Personal Care Kits for Lutheran World Relief in assembling and donating 115 kits! These will be collected at the Urban Servant Corps house, then taken to the Lutheran World Relief warehouse in Minneapolis, and then sent to the country whose refugees will benefit from these gifts of towels, combs, toothbrushes, nail clippers, and soap.

This year we will track where these Personal Care Kits are sent. Stay tuned!

These kits give families around the world some of life's essentials and reminds them that they are not alone. These kits show that Augustana cares and also bring us closer to our global neighbors.

Thanks to all who participated and to Jim Dierker who gifted the \$300 mailing cost at \$2.63/kit!

## Jean Gall Global Mission Team





# With women in power, malaria doesn't stand a chance

#### **ZIMBABWE**

It is easy to think of malaria prevention as simply providing mosquito nets for prevention and medicine to those who have fallen ill. But there's much more to it than that.

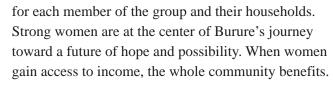
Burure is in the Gokwe Region of Zimbabwe, bordered by rivers that are notoriously difficult to cross during the rainy season. It is an area that has been plagued by outbreaks of malaria in the past. It is one of the most remote areas served by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Zimbabwe (ELCZ).

Your gifts to ELCA World Hunger support Burure's schools and the Burure Gokwe Clinic—institutions that provide education and health care to an area of approximately 10,000 people.

Jairos Charedzera is a village health worker supported by the ELCA Malaria Campaign. With a contagiously enthusiastic and upbeat demeanor, Jairos teaches malaria prevention and control in Burure and the surrounding villages and is a "trainer of trainers" for incomegenerating savings groups in each of the villages.

"Health and income that reduces poverty must never be separated," Jairos said. "When a household's income rises, so does the likelihood of good health." In each of the village savings and loan groups, the members—all women—contribute money each month. That money is pooled together to invest in income generating activities. The women plant and nurture a nutritional garden, growing squashes, peanuts, greens and spices. They also harvest honey from beehives they built and maintain.

The profits of these activities are then used to provide goats, hens, pots, pans, mosquito nets or other necessities





To give a gift to ELCA World Hunger, use the designated envelopes in Augustana's pew pockets and make checks payable to Augustana Lutheran Church, or donate through Augustana's "Giving" page at www.augustanadenver. org.

## **Lutheran Family Services**

#### **Foster Care**

Each year in Colorado, thousands of kids are unable to live with their biological parents because of abuse or neglect. We need families who can provide temporary care until children reunify with their parent as well as families willing to adopt children and teens in foster care if they can't return to their families. Informal Q & A sessions for foster care will be held Wednesday, April 10, 12:30–1:30 p.m. and 5:30–6:30 p.m. at the LFS Denver Metro office (363 S. Harlan Street, Suite 105, Denver, 80226). Please register with **Anne** (anne.hamilton@ Ifsrm.org or 303-217-5869). One-on-one meetings can also be arranged to work around your busy schedule.

#### Benefit gala in April

Join us for LFS's Annual Benefit Gala at the Highlands Ranch Mansion on Friday, April 26! The Gala will feature a night of dinner, entertainment, an auction, and companionship, along with celebrating our journey in serving those in need in our community. Please register at www.LFSRM.org/events.

#### Household items needed for refugees

The refugee program has had a good start to the year, and with your help we hope to welcome even more refugees this coming year! We are low on bath towels, pillows, twin-sized bedding (sheet sets and comforters), and cookware (pots and pans). Can you help give a warm welcome to a new refugee family by donating new or gently used items? If so, contact **Jaime** (jaime. blanchard@lfsrm.org or 303-217-5181).

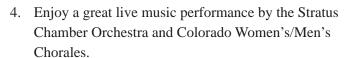
## Augustana <u>Irts</u>

## Ten reasons to join us for the Second Annual Heart for the Arts Gala

Saturday, April 6, 6–9:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall

- Gather for a beautiful event with friends who share the same appreciation for the arts.
- 2. Support Augustana Arts and our efforts to bring music to the world.





- 5. Visit with Michael Shasberger, founder of Augustana Arts and former Augustana member.
- 6. Experience live performances of Handel's *Zadok the Priest*, Mozart's *Marriage of Figaro*, and more—like you've never heard before!
- 7. Bid on great silent and live auction items. Take home your winnings with the knowledge that it helped to support the arts.
- 8. Savor hearty appetizers, sip sweet wine, indulge in a delicious catered dinner, and celebrate with delectable desserts.
- 9. Feel the passion and enthusiasm for Augustana Arts and the mission we serve in five counties throughout the Metro Denver area.
- 10. Be part of something great and exciting in the arts—together we can gather community, support the arts, and delight the spirit through performance, education, and engagement.

Tickets ON SALE NOW at www.AugustanaArts.org. Only \$65 per person, \$110 for couples, or \$400 for a table of eight. Early deadline is March 31.



## Through the Lens of Music: Focus on Soul

Stratus Chamber Orchestra with Hazel Miller and The Hazel Miller Band with the Colorado Women's Chorale and Colorado Men's Chorale

Friday, April 26 and Saturday, April 27, 7:30 p.m. Augustana Lutheran Church

The Stratus Season Finale is all about SOUL! Featuring Colorado's Queen of Soul, Hazel Miller, and her band, Hazel joins Stratus for a few of Hazel's hand-picked favorites. Hazel will fill your soul with a rousing performance of "Nessun Dorma"! We then turn to the Soul of Humanity with Beethoven's *Symphony No. 9*, that includes the great "Ode to Joy"! Stratus collaborates with the Colorado Women's and Men's Chorales, and soloists Pearl Rutherford, Karoline Guerin, James Baumgardner and Steven Taylor. It's the perfect finale to our Mind, Body, Soul and Spirit Season! We're all in for this one, and it's gonna bring down the house!

Tickets are on sale NOW at www.AugustanaArts.org. Augustana members receive 50 percent discount using code ALC50. Don't miss this one!

### **Faith Formation**

#### **Adult Forum**

Sundays, 9:15 a.m., Anna Paulson Room

- April 7: "Worship: Majesty, Mystery, and Means of Grace," the fourth and last of the series. Bring your curiosity and questions as we peek behind the scenes and wonder about the "whys" of what we do during worship. Content and conversation led by Pastor Ann and Dr. Cindy Lindeen-Martin.
- **April 14:** Plan to attend the Palm Sunday brunch hosted by Augustana youth.
- April 21: Happy Easter!

### **CROSS GEN FAITH FORMATION**

Sunday, April 28, 9:15 a.m. Fellowship Hall

Cross Generational Faith Formation event for all of us of any age hosted by Augustana's Children, Youth and Family Ministry. Come join the fun across generations.

## Children, Youth, and Family Ministry



# Augustana honors graduates

On Sunday, April 28 we will recognize our graduating seniors

during 10:30 a.m. worship! Join us in celebrating their accomplishments and sharing our blessings for whatever is next in their lives.

#### Help create used Bibles for graduates

Another way to acknowledge Augustana's graduates is to take time to write in their "used" Bibles. These Bibles are available on Sundays in Fellowship Hall where you can find more instruction on how to help make their Bibles "used."



## S'more Fun & Worship

Mark your calendars for Wednesday evenings in June and July. Back for its third summer, S'more Fun & Worship offers a time of fellowship, food, fun, worship, and of course s'mores in Augustana's Quist Park.

A potluck meal will begin at

5:30 p.m. with worship at 6:30 p.m. Things you may want to bring with you when you come include a water bottle and a lawn chair or blanket.

New this year: We invite all guitar players of any skill to bring their instrument for a jam session following each worship!

### **Vacation Bible School/Day Camp**

Augustana hosts Vacation Bible School led by counselors from Sky Ranch Lutheran Camp, Monday, July 15–Friday, July 19. Children currently in grades Kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to explore the theme "Shine" through Bible study, recreation, arts & crafts, music, devotions and environmental education, Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m.–4 p.m. and Friday, 8 a.m.–noon. Cost: \$50/child; maximum \$100/family.

Register online at http://www.augustanadenver.org/ministries/children-youth-family/children/. **Important:** In addition to completing the online registration, all campers must download, complete, and submit the 2019 Participant Health Form.

For additional information, call or email Children's Ministry Coordinator **Erin Brown** or Director of Youth and Family Ministry **Shanna VanderWel** (303-388-4678).

### **Music Ministry**



#### Time to register!

## July 22-28, 2019

## Are you coming to WAM!?

**Who:** All children who have completed grades 1–7, Augustana children and friends in the community!

What: Learn how to create scenery, backdrops and props; explore your dramatic side; sing and discover great music!

When: July 22–28, 2019 (Monday through Friday 9 a.m.–2 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m.–noon, and Sunday morning worship, 10:30 a.m.)

Where: Augustana Lutheran Church

Cost: \$75 per child; \$125 cap for families

**Register:** Forms will be available online (www. augustanadenver.org) and at Augustana's entrance tables beginning April 15.

Each weekday begins at 9 a.m. and concludes at 2 p.m. Every day includes breakout sessions in art, dance, drama and music. On Sunday, July 28 at 10:30 a.m. worship, we will present the musical we will be working on throughout the week.

Participants are expected to participate each day, culminating in the Sunday worship and presentation of the musical.

We need volunteers for help in art and drama, serving snacks, and moving kids from one class to another. If you or your teenager would like to sign up as a volunteer, please contact **Cindy Lindeen-Martin** (lindeen-martin@augustanadenver.org) for a volunteer form.

We can't wait to see YOU at WAM!

### **Fellowship**

### Women, Wine and Word

This Bible study for women of all ages will meet Thursday, April 25, 7 p.m. The group is discussing portions of the book *Searching for Sunday* by Rachel Held Evans. Come and enjoy fellowship, discussion, and learning. Email Pastor Ann (ann@augustanadenver.org) for the location of this month's meeting.

### **April Book Group**

Ray Bradbury's internationally acclaimed novel *Fahrenheit 451* is a masterwork of twentieth-century literature set in a bleak, dystopian future.

Guy Montag is a fireman. In his world, where television rules and literature is on the brink of extinction, firemen start fires rather than put them out. His job is to destroy the most illegal of commodities, the printed book, along with the houses in which they are hidden.

Montag never questions the destruction and ruin his actions produce, returning each day to his bland life and wife, Mildred, who spends all day with her television "family." But then he meets an eccentric young neighbor, Clarisse, who introduces him to a past where people didn't live in fear and to a present where one sees the world through the ideas in books instead of the mindless chatter of television.

When Mildred attempts suicide and Clarisse suddenly disappears, Montag begins to question everything he has ever known. He starts hiding books in his home, and when his pilfering is discovered, the fireman has to run for his life. (Amazon)

Join us Monday, April 15, at 11:15 a.m., in the Anna Paulson Room to discuss this classic.



### **Theatre & Theology**

Theater and Theology brings members of Rocky Mountain Synod congregations in and near Denver to productions of the Denver Center for the Performing Arts. After viewing a play, we do a talk-back discussion with cast members on theological issues raised in the play. The plays and these discussions can challenge and stimulate our faith and, therefore, the mission of the Church, in a unique way.

#### Sweat

Tuesday, May 14, 6:30 p.m., Space Theatre, Tickets: \$35

Contact **Rosalee Wanchisen** (303-759-9836) by Sunday, April 21, to reserve a ticket or for information.

For the people of Reading, Pennsylvania, work is so much more than a paycheck—it's the glue that holds the town together. The floor of their central factory is where lifelong friendships are made, where love blossoms and where family members work side-by-side. But as layoffs become the new norm and a cheaper workforce threatens the viability of the local union, the threads that once kept the community together begin to fray. Sweat is an "extraordinarily moving drama" (The New York Times) that powerfully contrasts life's happiest highs with the heart-wrenching struggles of survival. Using warm humor and deep empathy, this 2017 Pulitzer Prize winner from Lynn Nottage (*Ruined*) paints a moving portrait of today's working-class America in decline.

Registration with check payable to Rocky Mountain Synod and footnoted "T&T Augustana: Sweat" must reach Augustana's office by Sunday, April 21.

#### **Trailblazers**

#### Sawhill Ponds Wildlife Preserve Hike

Saturday, April 27, leave Augustana's south parking lot at 9 a.m.

Just east of Boulder, Sawhill Ponds Wildlife Preserve includes 18 ponds, which are the result of a gravel mining operation and reclamation project. When mining ceased in the early 1970s, groundwater filled the pits resulting in a wetland area that provides a marvelous habitat for many species of wildlife. Sawhill Ponds is home to many different kinds of waterfowl, fish, birds of prey, amphibians and reptiles. During spring and fall, the ponds provide a stopover for migrating ducks.

Rating: Easy

Distance: up to 3 miles roundtrip

Guide: Don Troike (937-725-5338 or don.troike@gmail.

com)



### Let laughter 'spring' forth!

"Spring is when you feel like whistling, even with a shoe full of slush." (Doug Larson)

"Easter is the only time when it's perfectly safe to put all of your eggs in one basket." (Evan Esar)

"Spring is the time of year when it is summer in the sun and winter in the shade." (Charles Dickens)

"The world is mud-luscious and puddle wonderful." (e.e. cummings)

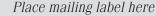
"In the spring, at the end of the day, you should smell like dirt." (Margaret Atwood)

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Tuesday	9am Library Committee 5:30pm Yoga	7am-noon 9Health Fair 3:30pm Executive Committee 5:30pm Youth, & Family Ministry Committee 7pm Augustana Foundation Executive Committee	8:30am-4:30pm Lent Prayer Stations 7pm Congregation Council 7pm Rehearsal: Easter Brass	23 12:30pm Senior Ministry Committee 5:30pm Yoga 5:30pm Stewardship Team 6:30pm Rachel Circle	3.0 1pm The Tower Assembly 5:30pm Yoga
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If your name should have been on this list but wasn't, please call Augustana's office (303-388-4678).