

July brings Vacation Bible School and WAM! Camp to Augustana

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**Explore how to
shine
God's light
at Vacation
Bible School!**

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.

Important: In addition to completing the online registration (<http://www.augustanadenver.org/ministries/children-youth-family/children/>), all campers must

download, complete, and submit the 2019 Participant Health Form. Mail completed forms to Augustana Lutheran Church, 5000 E Alameda Ave, Denver CO, 80246, or email the form to info@augustanadenver.org.

Contribute to our list of needed items for VBS

Let Shanna know if you can provide:

- Individual fruit cups and apple sauces
- Microwave popcorn
- Individually wrapped snacks such as granola bars, crackers, etc.
- Cheese sticks

Drop them off at Augustana’s office by July 12.

For additional information on registering for, helping with, or donating items for Vacation Bible School, contact Director of Youth and Family Ministry **Shanna VanderWel** (shanna@augustanadenver.org or 303-388-4678).

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Thursday, July 11, 4:30 p.m. is the deadline for the August 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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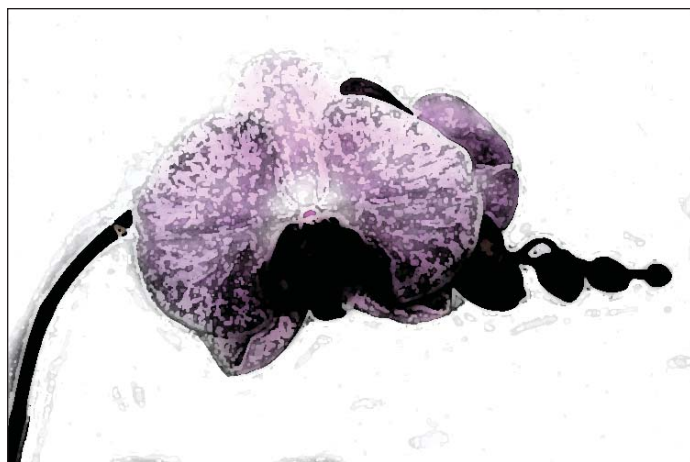
- Lauren Martin and Nate Penz in their marriage, June 8
- Drew Wolfe and Samantha Lloyd in their marriage, June 8
- Hazel Marie Bettye Robertson, daughter of Ryan and Kim Robertson, in her baptism

Thank you for the gifts!

Augustana Early Learning Center

- In memory of Bert Nilemo
- In memory of David & Fran Linemeyer, Bertil Nilemo

Special Gifts



Hope for Cancer

Hope for Cancer cards have a reprinted watercolor painting of an orchid and Psalm verse for people with cancer and other terminal illness. Thanks to a Thrivent Action Team Grant, these cards are available for you to send greetings of support and love. Pick up the cards from **Glenna O'Neal**, Sunday, July 7, 14, and 21, 9–10:15 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.

Recently lifted up in prayer

For hope and healing:

- Ned Daugherty, Ruby Gay, Sandra Hagevik, Hjordis Hawkins, Kelly Lamb, Lisa Mikolajczak, Sally Petterson, Lee Reinhart, David Rigsby, Nancy Rosehill, Keith Schumacher, Susan Talbot, Betty Wallace, Harry Waters, Jim and Barbara Whitney, Leigh, Carol, Chuckie, and Kerri

For comfort and courage:

- Jake Brown in the death of his uncle, Mark Baker

- Family and friends of Kathy Eggleston in her death
- Dianne Nelson in the death of her sister-in-law, Carmen Hatfield
- Ann Craig in the death of her brother, John Hunnicutt
- Family and friends of Frances Linemeyer in her death
- Steve Soich in the death of his aunt, Rosemary Sears
- Family and friends of Viola Stekel in her death
- Bill Stephens and family in the death of his wife, Marge Stephens



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Christmas in July!



There is still time to register!

Room for Christmas by Mark Burrows

It's the week before the church Christmas pageant, and the cast of children is determined to bring new life to the Christmas story. But with a bossy angel, wisecracking shepherds, unruly sheep, and know-it-all wisemen, will they get it together in time? Will the Christmas pageant be a complete flop? Or will the children somehow discover the true joy and wonder of Christmas by making room for what really matters?

All children who have completed grades 1–7 (Augustana children and friends in the community) are invited to explore and present the answer to that question in a week of worship, art and music camp!

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

When: July 22–28 (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. (For those in need, financial assistance may be available.)

Register: Forms are available online (www.augustanadenver.org) and at Augustana's entrance tables.

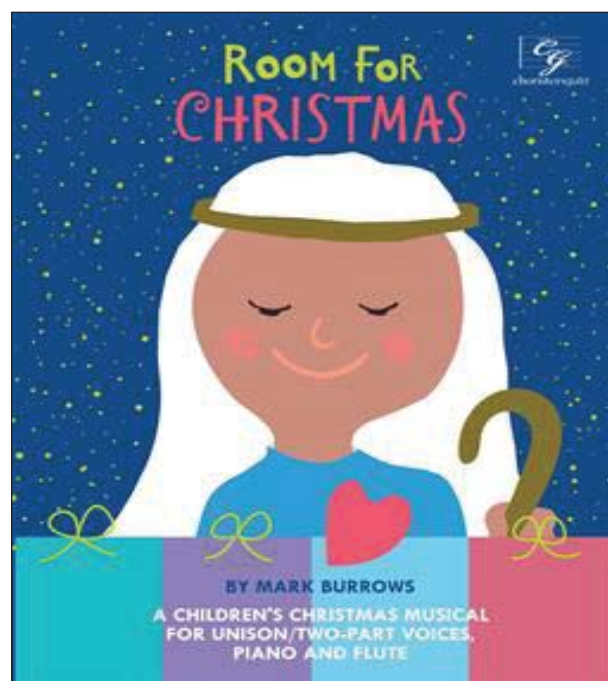
Each weekday begins at 9 a.m. and concludes at 2 p.m. Every day includes breakout sessions in art, dance, drama and music. On Sunday, July 28 at 10:30 a.m. worship, we will present the musical *Room for Christmas*. Participants are expected to participate each day, culminating in the Sunday worship and presentation of the musical.

Volunteer to help

We welcome kids who have completed grades 8–12 and any college students and adults who would like to help with art, drama, providing or serving snacks, and moving kids from one class to another. Please contact **Cindy Lindeen-Martin** (lindeen-martin@augustanadenver.org) for a volunteer form.

All are welcome. Invite your friends!

We can't wait to see YOU at WAM!



Pastors

A house where love dwells

*Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live . . .
Here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.*



These words are from the hymn “All Are Welcome,” a hymn we often sing as part of worship. The lyrics refer to making the church and our congregation a place where everyone is welcome, and a place where we are united by the love of Christ.

At our best, we always pray

and work together to make this a reality in our faith community.

Now we have opened ourselves to a new opportunity to welcome all people: On May 19, the congregation voted overwhelmingly to move ahead with the affordable housing project on our vacant land at Dakota Avenue and Fairfax Street. Over the summer months we will be issuing a Request for Proposal (RFP) to organizations like Habitat for Humanity to discern who might be the best partner for this project. Several organizations have indicated interest, and we have also received the support of the city of Denver.

When a partner has been selected and more details are known, we will have another congregational meeting to approve entering into a contract with them. If approved, we will receive a detailed site plan and will have meetings with the neighborhood about the project. It is definitely a process that takes time.

A project like this one helps us to think outside of the church walls as we continue to live out our Core Values of Worship-Grow-Go. We go out into our community with the love of Christ, making positive change happen—right in our own backyard!

Looking forward with you to the future,

Pastor Ann

Praying the “both/and” of life through to God’s heart



Rob and I spent June in swings of highs and lows. We celebrated in Tampa with Rob’s best friend from high school as he retired as a colonel after 40 years in the Army. We visited my mother, her husband, and my sister in Wisconsin before I officiated

at an Augustana member’s wedding in Chicago. We moved our son Quinn to a new town to begin work after graduating from college. We moved our daughter Taryn home from college between college terms just before her summer adventure in New Hampshire as a camp photographer. And Rob’s father, Charlie, was recently diagnosed with incurable cancer soon to join his beloved Carol, who died suddenly last November. The joys of celebrating with family and friends are vividly highlighted by the challenges of the transitions that accompany the celebrations. They are “both/and” experiences that defy description in their complexity. Try as I might, it’s difficult to only be happy and excited for our son as our relationship takes on the new element of distance. Just as we cannot only celebrate Charlie’s life well-lived as we say goodbye.

“Both/and” seems to be the way of life. I’m often grateful for the complexity of it and sometimes overwhelmed by it as we were this past June. I know that many of you are walking similar times in your lives with a whole host of different events. As we pray for each other, remember to pass people straight through to God. We practiced this during the Children’s Sermon in 10:30 a.m. worship a few weeks ago using the prayer list in the worship announcement page. Imagine God’s heart as light glowing at heart level behind your back. Picture people or their names moving through your heart into the light of God’s heart. You don’t have to add extra words. Simply pass people through your heart to their rightful place in God’s. We pray in this way knowing that our burdens are lightened as we share them with the One who sustains us through the “both/ands” of life.

Peace,

Pastor Caitlin

Dr. Marilyn Stember honored at Augustana University



Excerpted
from
Augustana
University's
press
release:

[Augustana
Lutheran
Church
member]
Dr. Marilyn
Stember

delivered the Commencement Address and received an honorary Doctor of Science degree at Augustana University on Saturday, May 25 at the Sioux Falls Arena. Her address was titled "The Road to Healthy: Centered for the Journey."

After earning her Bachelor of Science in nursing from Augustana University, Dr. Stember earned a Master's in nursing from the University of Washington, and

completed her M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in sociology from the University of Colorado in Boulder. Stember subsequently completed a two-year post-doctorate in psychology at the University of Denver.

Dr. Stember is Professor Emeritus at the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Center, where she served 40 years as professor, dean, and in other positions. She has been exceptionally active in many professional and civic organizations. For more than 30 years, she has been a member of Augustana Lutheran Church-Denver, holding many lay leadership positions including President of the Congregation.

Although Dr. Stember has served on many committees and in many ministries, she has been most passionate about health ministry and women's ministry. She pioneered parish nursing education and practice in the Rocky Mountain Region. The parish nurse position inaugurated at her local congregation has flourished for nearly 25 years and is seen as a model health ministry/parish nursing program in the West.

Search Committee: Faith Community Nurse

Interviews have begun! Please pray for Augustana's next Faith Community Nurse and the Search Committee: Vivian Bengtson (Senior Ministry), Jim Hytjan (Congregation-at-Large), Nancy Johnson (Health Ministry and Committee Chair), Marilyn Stember (Health Ministry), Pastor Caitlin Trussell (Pastor, Supervisor)

Spread the word:

Faith Community Nurse (Parish Nurse) position available

Augustana Lutheran Church in Denver is seeking a spiritually mature, experienced registered nurse to fill a continuing part-time (60–75 percent) Faith Community Nurse (formerly Parish Nurse) position. The person works closely with the pastoral and program staff in a shared ministry relationship. The Faith Community Nurse responds to health-related concerns

of parishioners through visits in homes or health care facilities to evaluate needs, provide support, facilitate the integration of faith and healing, and make referrals as needed. This nurse also coordinates health education programs, support groups, and other health-related activities in the congregation. The Faith Community Nurse works collaboratively with the Health Ministry Committee and coordinates volunteers to assist in carrying out other health ministry initiatives. Minimum qualifications include RN license, baccalaureate degree in nursing (master's preferred), and five years of professional experience. Educational preparation and experience in parish nursing highly desirable.

See www.augustanadenver.org for more information about the position and Augustana Lutheran Church. To apply, send cover letter and resume to lisa@augustanadenver.org.

E-Cigarettes and Vaping

E-cigarettes have become very popular. These devices (also called e-cigs, vape pens, e-hookah, e-cigars, mechanical mods, and pod systems) are not a safe alternative to cigarette smoking.

Health Harms

- The solution and vapor from e-cigarettes contain harmful chemicals, some of which cause cancer.
- The nicotine in e-cigarettes is addictive and can harm brain development.
- E-cigarettes are not recommended as a way to quit smoking.
- In some cases, e-cigarettes have exploded, causing burns or fires.
- Exposure to secondhand vapor from e-cigarettes is harmful to growing lungs.
- Long-term health effects on users and bystanders are still unknown.
- E-cigarettes can be used to smoke or “vape” marijuana, herbs, waxes, and oils.

IN THE NEXT 6 MONTHS,



WILL START SMOKING CIGARETTES



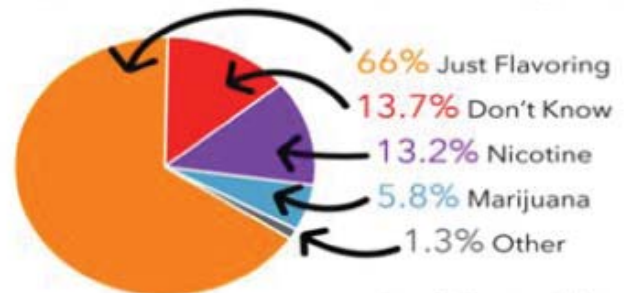
National Institute on Drug Abuse
drugabuse.gov

Dangers to Youth

- E-cigarettes are the most commonly used tobacco product among teens: in 2018, over 20% of high school students reported having used e-cigarettes in the last 30 days.
- Youth are uniquely vulnerable to the nicotine in e-cigarettes because their brains are still developing.

- Youth who use e-cigarettes are more likely to smoke traditional cigarettes in the future.
- Children are exposed to e-cigarette advertising in the media, online, and in magazines and billboards.
- E-cigarettes appeal to children because they come in fun flavors like fruit, bubble gum and candy.
- Although it is illegal for e-cigarettes to be sold to youth under age 18, they can be ordered online.

WHAT'S IN YOUR E-CIG?



UHHHH... KEEP IN MIND,
Manufacturers don't have to report
e-cig ingredients, so users
don't know what's actually in them.



National Institute on Drug Abuse
drugabuse.gov

Risk of Poisoning

- E-cigarette solutions can poison children and adults through swallowing or skin contact.
- A young child can be killed by very small amounts of nicotine: less than half a teaspoon. Because of this, liquid nicotine is required to be sold in childproof packaging.
- Symptoms of nicotine poisoning include sweating, dizziness, vomiting, and increased heart rate.
- Calls to poison control centers related to e-cigarettes have skyrocketed in the last five years.

Author discusses and shares resource for loss due to opioid addiction

Wednesday, August 7, 6:30–8 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Last year, over 70,000 parents across America lost a child to an opioid drug overdose. The grief experienced by any parent who loses a son or daughter is excruciating. But grief for those whose child has died due to drug abuse is compounded by the stigma and shame our culture places on drug abuse.

Marsha Wiggins lost her only child, Cameron, at age 26 to a heroin overdose in 2013. As a professional counselor, author, educator and former Associate Pastor at Trinity, she was as well prepared as anyone could be to deal with such a devastating blow. And yet, she found herself on a journey through uncharted waters, struggling to find her way through the grief process.

As part of her grieving process, she has written a book to help other parents, mental health professionals, clergy,



and those affected by the death of a child from drugs. In *From Heroin to Hope: Making Sense of the Loss of a Child*, Wiggins provides research-based information about the grief journey and illustrates these concepts by sharing her experience of grieving the loss of her son.

Augustana's Youth and Health Ministries cosponsor this time of sharing and

book signing for those affected by the opioid crisis, for those who have lost loved ones due to opioid overdose, for those who know someone who has lost a friend, coworker, or family member to the opioid epidemic, or for those—professional or not—who offer care and encouragement to families of opioid overdose victims.

Come to listen, learn, and share, Wednesday, August 7, 6:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall.

Splash into Arts

2019 IMMERSIVE EVENT

SIT WITHIN THE ORCHESTRA & NEXT TO A MUSICIAN
PLUS CRAFTS & MORE!

3 Concert Dates & Locations

Friday, July 26 5:30–7:30 p.m. Music@Mainstreet 19600 Mainstreet, Parker, CO 80138	Saturday, July 27 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. The Lutheran Center 7375 Samuel Dr., Denver, CO 80221	Sunday, July 28 12:00 p.m.–2:00 p.m. Augustana Lutheran Church 5000 E. Alameda Ave., Denver, CO 80246
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Questions or Tickets: Visit AugustanaArts.org or call (303) 388-4962

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Holly, age 3, lives with Glenna O'Neal



Kitty, age 2, lives with Maren Massie

Pet prayers

From Saint Francis of Assisi:

A tool in your hand I am, dear God,
The sweetest instrument you have shaped my being into.
What makes me now complete—
Feeling the soul of every creature against my heart.

Does every creature have a soul?
Surely they do; for anything God has touched
will have life forever,
And all creatures he has held.



Raleigh, age 13, lives with Katrina, Wil, Grace and Lilly Crook



Skadi, age 8, and Freya, age 15, live with Holly and Nick Massie



Izzy, golden retriever, age 8, and Shmoops, grand dog, silky terrier, age 5, live with Lisa Boe-Sims

The Blessing Prayer

Most high God, our Creator, yours are the praise,
the glory, the honor and all blessings! Your world is
wonderful! To you alone do all things belong. Be praised
for giving us the animals, birds and fish which fill your
world.

May we think of you and remember your love when we
share time with our pets. Be praised for the happiness
they bring us and that we bring them while keeping us
mindful of their care. This we ask to your eternal praise,
and to our blessing. Amen.



Submit a photo of your dog or cat or bird or ? for the August *Tower* newsletter. With a high-resolution photo, submit your pet's name, age, and your name. Alongside the photos, we'll invite prayers for your family's pet(s).



To submit your pet(s), visit the "News/Blog" page of Augustana's website (<http://www.augustanadenver.org/dog-days-of-summer-photos-requested/>).

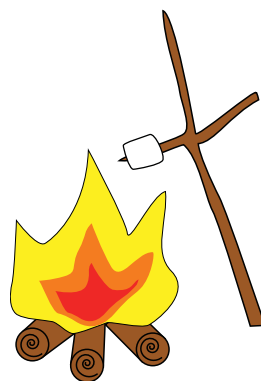


From top: Mette, age 11, Carole, age 4, and Stina, age 11, live with Sonja Engebretson

Sophie, age 5, and Buddy, age 4, live with Susan Talbot



Children, Youth and Family Ministry



S'more Fun & Worship

Songs, s'mores, and stories: Wednesday evenings

Toast an ooey, gooey s'more, enjoy a picnic supper under the cottonwoods, sing boldly (on or off key), and let the kids run and play in the park. Augustana's midweek fun time of s'mores, potluck supper,

games, and worship continues on Wednesdays, July 10, 17, 24, and 31 at 5:30 p.m. in Quist Park. (No worship on July 3; come to the Fireworks Party, Tuesday, July 2, instead!) Augustana provides the protein—you bring a side dish or dessert to share—and for your own comfort maybe a lawn chair or blanket to sit on and a water bottle.

In her Pentecost sermon Pastor Ann talked about sharing stories. At the camp-style worship you'll get to hear stories from Augustana members and friends like **Dan and Valerie Taron, Kisanet Yohannes, Casey, Amy, and Lydia King, Kristen and Brady Niemitalo-Woods**, and more! Bring your instrument and stick around after worship for some informal music-making.

Fun for families and folks of all ages! If the weather is bad, we will be in Fellowship Hall.



City of Glendale Fireworks Party!

Gather with the community in Quist Park to watch the City of Glendale Fireworks, Tuesday, July 2. Beginning at 5:30 p.m.,

Augustana's youth will be serving hot dogs, pulled pork sandwiches, and chips, and selling glow sticks. Augustana Early Learning Center will hold a bake sale. There will be live music and a bounce house. Bring the family and join the fun!



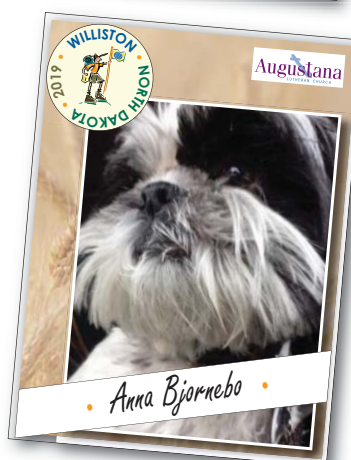
Plan now to attend the Bible Breakfast!

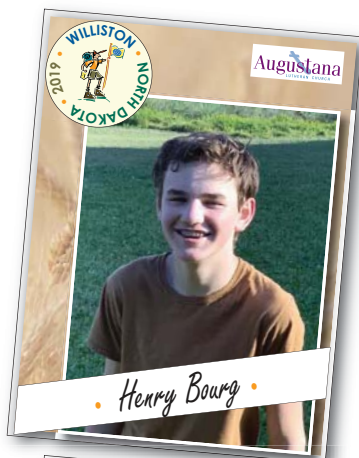
All children in Kindergarten and grades 3 and 6 and their families are invited to Augustana's annual Bible Breakfast, Sunday, August 25, 9:15–10:15 a.m. Enjoy a yummy breakfast, and afterwards during 10:30 a.m. worship you will receive a Bible and a blessing. RSVP to **Shanna** (shanna@augustanadenver.org) by Wednesday, August 21, and include the name and grade level of your child, how you would like your child's name inscribed in the Bible, and how many in your party will be coming for breakfast.



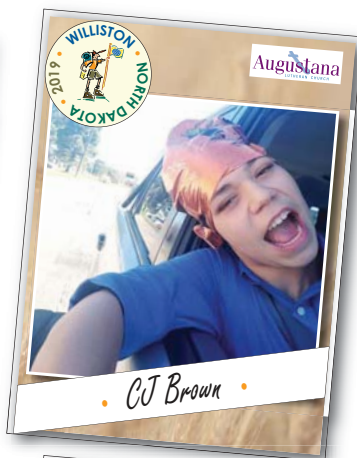
July is Mission Trip month!

Twenty youth and adults are headed to Williston, North Dakota, July 7–13, for a week of service, worship, fellowship, and growing with God in the great outdoors. We will be meeting up with another youth group from Rochester, Minnesota, while we stay at Upper Missouri Ministries Bible Camp. We ask for your continued prayers as we worship, grow, and go!





Henry Bourg



CJ Brown



Errol Bahr



Cassidy Ewell



Addie Flesch



Kendall Flesch



Chris Garrington



Michael Gentes



Rocky Grajek



Morgan Levy



Maren Massie



Claire Miller



Kristen Niemitalo Woods



Will Smith



Shanna VanderWel



Ogden Willoughby



Lutheran Disaster Response
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'I give thanks to God for sending you all here'

UNITED STATES



Dennis, a 72-year-old retired Marine, lives in St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands, where Hurricane Maria struck in 2017 causing widespread destruction, power outage and loss of cell reception, and access to resources. The morning after the hurricane, Dennis went to check on his house.

"When I looked up, half the roof was gone," Dennis said. "And then the rains started to fall. For weeks." Because of the holes in his roof, the interior of Dennis' home saw significant water damage.

Back in his home after staying with relatives, Dennis met an employee of the Lutheran Social Services of the Virgin Islands (LSSVI) disaster response team. He told the employee about the damage to his home, and soon after, staff members came for a visit.

"I was hoping to get help from FEMA. I wasn't expecting the Lutherans," Dennis said. Now, Dennis is getting help to rebuild his home and his life thanks to your gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response and LSSVI.

"The house isn't done, but how it looks now is beyond my wildest expectations," he said. "I can't imagine what it will look like when it's finished.

"I appreciate what you all have done for me. I give thanks to God for sending you all here."

Lutheran Disaster Response has been working to provide relief and recovery to survivors of hurricanes Harvey, Maria and Irma, and will continue for years to come.

To give a gift to Lutheran Disaster Response, use the designated envelopes in Augustana's pew pockets and make checks payable to Augustana Lutheran Church; or, donate online at www.augustanadenver.org; click on the Giving page.

Glocal Involvement

"Thank you, Augustana!"

Thank you for your generous gift to Urban Servant Corps on May 15, 2019.

Thank you for your role in offering personal growth and professional development opportunities for young adults who are seeking justice in our world! Denver neighborhoods are positively changed because of the accompaniment that USC volunteers offer at direct service non-profit organizations. Be proud that you are part of this!

Thank you for your faithfulness to USC!

We are grateful for your generosity!

Krista Kilgus, Executive Director



Do you want purposeful community engagement in your encore years? Serve with Urban Servant Corps!

Urban Servant Corps is extending our current full-time volunteer service programs with a new focus called “Urban Servant Corps: Emeritus.” This added focus responds to the continuing need for volunteer service at our non-profit partner sites and provides opportunities for volunteers to have purposeful community engagement during their encore years.

Why choose USC: Emeritus?

- Engage in meaningful volunteer service work as an outlet for your skills
- Meet, mentor, and connect with young and older adults involved in service
- Create community with others who share values of faith, service, and simplicity
- Learn and share about social justice

- Keep your mind and body healthy and active
- Find meaningful conversations around faith and spirituality

How does this work, and what’s the process?

You will:

- participate in the two day orientation the week of August 26, 2019
- make a commitment to volunteering at a non-profit organization for 16 hours per week for one year, beginning the week of September 2, 2019
- match with an organization that meets your gifts and skills and receive a \$75 monthly stipend to offset transportation or incidentals
- outside of your weekly service, meet monthly with the other members of USC: Emeritus for dialogue around racial justice, poverty, LGTBQ communities, social conscience investing, healthy eating, mental health, etc. Quarterly, this monthly meeting will overlap with the full-time USC volunteers for intergenerational collaboration
- be offered 32 hours of Personal Time Off (PTO) during the year

To apply: www.urbanservantcorps.org/emergitus.



Senior Ministry Summer Barbecue

Thursday, August 1, noon, Anna Paulson Room

Mark your calendar for our annual barbecue! Judy Nyquist will prepare a delicious barbecue for us, but she will need a count of how many are attending for planning purposes. This is a chance to catch up with friends on your summer activities. Call Augustana’s office (303-388-4678) to make your reservation no later than Monday, July 29. The cost is \$8 per person.

Augustana Early Learning Center

Goodbye, Hello!

Summer is a time for vacation and relaxation for many; for the Augustana Early Learning Center, summer is a time for transitions, celebrations, and a whole lot of activity!

Goodbyes. At the end of May, we celebrated 24 of our oldest preschoolers in a preschool graduation ceremony (our first!). We celebrated their time with us as preschoolers and their growth into the newest class of Kindergarteners, starting this fall! Many children will continue in AELC's summer program, but others are off onto new adventures with our best wishes.



Hello! AELC doubles in size over the summer, providing childcare to almost 80 school age Summer Explorers (ages 5–12) in addition to 70+ toddlers and preschoolers. While at Augustana, the Summer Adventurers

and the preschool classes (called Summer Explorers) spend time doing art and other activities in the building and surroundings, including in the Courtyard, Quist Park, and the Faery Garden (the wild area next to Quist Park). They also have adventures further afield, including hiking at area parks, swimming, and field trips. Toddlers classes stay closer to home and include art, music, daily outdoor playground play, and occasional water play.

AELC News and Thanks

AELC is now licensed to serve toddlers, pre-school, AND school-aged children! The Board of the Early Learning Center thanks everyone who worked so hard during the 2018–19 school year to earn this achievement. A special thanks goes to our director, Wendie Edwards, for the innumerable hours she spent on all the paperwork and supervision required. We also thank the AELC teachers and staff for their efforts; the church staff, especially Lisa Mikolajczak for her excellent financial assistance; and Paul Blanchard, Seki and the Property Committee for expeditiously addressing the many and various maintenance issues of the AELC. On a personal note, I thank all the Board members for their diligent work on behalf of the AELC this past year. The work is not yet done, as our next goal is our application for renewal of our NAEYC accreditation this fall.

Don Troike
AELC Board President

Fellowship

Trailblazers

Dawson Butte Ranch Open Space Hike

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

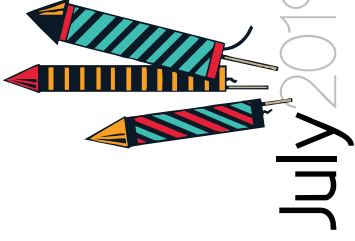
This loop trail winds gently through ponderosa pine and Gambel oak forest and across several meadows on the south side of Dawson Butte. Occasionally, you get glimpses of the tops of Pikes Peak and Devils Head, along with the ridge of the Rampart Range to the west. The area is an excellent wildlife habitat with a good diversity of birds.


Rating: Moderate

Distance: 5-mile loop

Elevation: 6,815 to 7,135 feet

Guide: **Karen Kisch** (303-810-0456 or scottkykisch@hotmail.com)



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 9:45am Augustana Firm Believers Chapel Prayer 10am Augustana Early Learning Center Board 6:30pm	2 9am Library Committee 5:30pm City of Glendale Fireworks Party	3 9:45am Augustana Firm Believers	4 	5 8am - office closed - Bulletin Assembly	6
7 Pentecost 4 8am Health Ministry Sunday 9am Worship/Communion 10:30am Fellowship/Coffee Worship/Communion	8 9:45am Augustana Firm Believers Faith Community 10:30am Nurse Search Committee	9 5:30pm Yoga 6pm Children, Youth, & Family Ministry Committee 7pm Augustana Foundation Executive Committee	10 9:45am Augustana Firm Believers 5:30pm S'more Fun & Worship	11 5:30pm The Tower deadline 7pm Mindfulness Yoga Property Committee	12 8am Bulletin Assembly 9:45am Augustana Firm Believers	13
Youth Mission Trip, July 7-13						
14 8am Pentecost 5 9am Fellowship/Coffee 9:15am Social Ministry 10:30am Worship/Communion	15 9am Vacation Bible School 9:45am Augustana Firm Believers Chapel Prayer 10am Book Group 11:15am	16 9am Vacation Bible School 5:30pm Yoga Congregation Council 7pm	17 9am Vacation Bible School 9:45am Augustana Firm Believers 5:30pm S'more Fun & Worship	18 9am Vacation Bible School 5:30pm Mindfulness Yoga	19 8am Bulletin Assembly 9am Vacation Bible School 9:45am Augustana Firm Believers	20
21 8am Pentecost 6 9am Fellowship/Coffee 10:30am Worship/Communion	22 7:30am Foot Care Clinic 9am Worship, Art, & Music 9:45am Augustana Firm Believers Chapel Prayer 10am	23 9am Worship, Art, & Music 12:30pm Senior Ministry Committee 5:30pm Yoga	24 9am Worship, Art, & Music 9:45am Augustana Firm Believers 5:30pm S'more Fun & Worship	25 9am Worship, Art, & Music 5:30pm Mindfulness Yoga	26 8am Bulletin Assembly 9am Worship, Art, & Music 9:45am Augustana Firm Believers	27 9am Worship, Art, & Music 9am Camp Trailblazers: Dawson Butte Ranch Open Space Hike
28 8am Pentecost 7 9am Fellowship/Coffee 10:30am Worship/Communion 2pm Augustana Arts: Stratus Chamber Orchestra	29 9:45am Augustana Firm Believers Chapel Prayer 10am	30 5:30pm Yoga	31 9:45am Augustana Firm Believers 5:30pm S'more Fun & Worship			

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