

With this worship service, our Lenten season comes to an end, and we gather with Christians around the world to observe the Three Days of Jesus' death and resurrection. At the heart of today's liturgy is Jesus' new commandment (mandatum, in Latin): Love one another as I have loved you.

Jesus washes the feet of his disciples, and offers his very self in the bread and wine shared around the table. As we gather today, we receive Christ and are sent from this worship to serve others with the love we have received.

There is no Benediction at the conclusion of this service. Our worship continues tomorrow on Good Friday.

Pastor Bonita Bock, Augustana member and retired pastor, along with Augustana's Deacon Shanna VanderWel, are leading worship today in Pastor Caitlin Trussell's absence. We're grateful for their leadership on this holy day.

Rise and Ding Again

Worship Art and Lenten Theme

Our worship spaces during Lent are graced by beautiful, psalmic banners created by Ken Phillips, local textile and liturgical artist. The banners in the sanctuary are in order counterclockwise from the first one by the pulpit. The 11th banner by the baptismal font contains our Lenten Theme: Rise and Sing Again. The sanctuary banners were created in 2021, while the banners appearing during the weeks of Lent in Christ Chapel were created for Augustana to complement the original banners. The Chapel banners feature prayers on the low end and God's response at the top. The banner closest to the altar in the sanctuary includes the Latin phrase "De Profundis Clamavi Ad Te Domine" from Psalm 130. The English translation is "Out of the depths I have cried to you, O Lord."

Many thanks to the Augustana Foundation for the grant to rent Ken's artwork during Lent.

Hearing assistance headphones are available for worship in the sanctuary. Please ask an usher for an easy-to-use device for enhanced listening during today's worship services.

Sign the worship slip and place it in the offering plate so that hospitality, prayer, and pastoral care may be kept up to date.

Prelude • "Eucharistia" –G. Winston Cassler

Welcome • Deacon Shanna VanderWel

Confession and Forgiveness

The assembly stands.

Friends in Christ, in this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to struggle against sin, death, and the devil—all that keeps us from loving God and each other. This is the struggle to which we were called at baptism.

Within the community of the church, God never wearies of forgiving sin and giving the peace of reconciliation. Let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor, and enter the celebration of the great Three Days reconciled with God and with one another.

Silence is kept for reflection. The people may kneel.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✤ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

The assembly is seated. People may come forward and kneel for the laying on of hands.

The minister, laying both hands on each person's head, addresses each in turn:

In obedience to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I announce to you the forgiveness of all your sins. Amen.

Greeling The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave us a new commandment, to love one another as he loves us. Write this commandment in our hearts, and give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading • Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

A reading from Exodus.

¹The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: ²This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. ⁴If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join

its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it.

¹¹This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. ¹²For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. ¹³The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

¹⁴This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm • Psalm 116:1–2, 12–19

Antiphon: (sung by choir) I will lift the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.



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Bold verses are sung by all using the tone above.

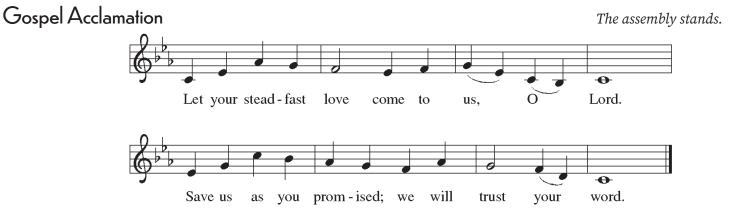
¹ I love the LORD, who has heard my voice,		
and listened to my supplication,		
² for the LORD has given ear to me		
whenev- erIcalled.		
² How shall I re- pay the LORD		
for all the good things God has done for me?		
¹³ I will lift the cup of salvation		
and call on the name of the LORD. Antiphon		
¹⁴ I will fulfill my vows to the LORD		
in the presence of all God's people.		
¹⁵ Precious in your sight, O LORD,		
is the death of your servants.		
¹⁶ O LORD, truly I am your servant;		
I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.		
¹⁷ I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving		
and call upon the name of the LORD.		
¹⁸ I will fulfill my vows to the LORD		
in the presence of all God's people,		
¹⁹ in the courts of the LORD's house,		
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Antiphon		

Second Reading • 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

A reading from First Corinthians.

²³For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, ²⁴and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁵In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." ²⁶For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.



Gospel • John 13:1-17, 31b-35

The holy gospel according to John. Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. ²The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him.

And during supper ³Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, ⁴got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. ⁵Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. ⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" ⁷Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." ⁸Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." ⁹Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" ¹⁰Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." ¹¹For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

¹²After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? ¹³You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. ¹⁴So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. ¹⁶Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. ¹⁷If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

^{31b}"Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

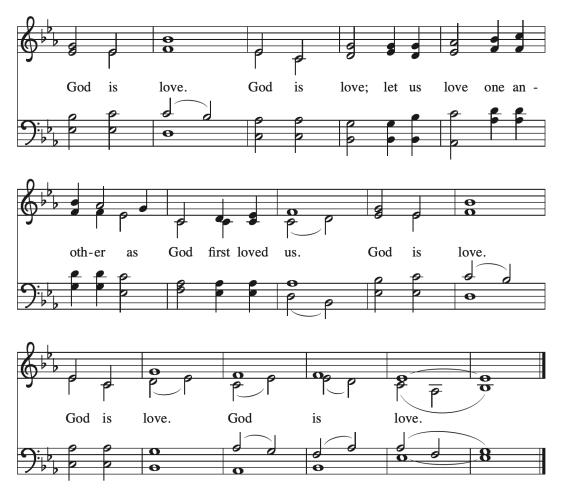
The assembly is seated.

Sermon • Pastor Bonita Bock

Hymn of the Day • ACS 1041: God Is Love

The assembly stands.

Hymn will be sung five times: 1-Choir; 2-All; 3-High voices; 4-Low voices; 5-All



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Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

You may share a sign of peace with the peace sign or a wave or a hand over your heart.

The assembly is seated.

Offering

Thank you for supporting Augustana's mission to worship, grow and go in our community and across the world!



11 a.m. "What Wondrous Love Is This" –Trevor Manor Augustana Singers

> What wondrous love is this, O my soul! What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dreadful curse for my soul?

When I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown, Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.

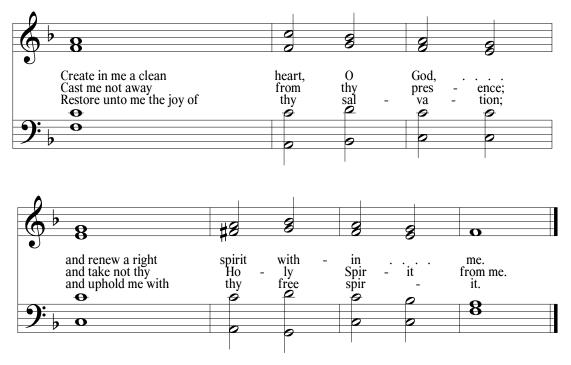
To God and to the Lamb I will sing, to God and to the Lamb, who is the great "I AM," while millions join the theme, I will sing.

7 p.m. "Eja Fons Amoris" – Franz Joseph Haydn Chancel Choir

> Eja fons amoris me sentire vim doloris; fac, ut tecum lugeam. Thou fount of love touch my spirit from above; make my heart with thine accord.

> > The assembly stands.

Offering Response + Create in Me a Clean Heart



Offering Prayer

God of good gifts, receive these and all our offerings as we present them in faithful service for the sake of your gospel. Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal as you pour out your very presence through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Words of Institution

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Lord's Prayer Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Holy Communion

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion today. If you prefer to come forward for a blessing instead, please cross your arms, and the pastors will know to give you a blessing. All the bread used today is gluten-free.

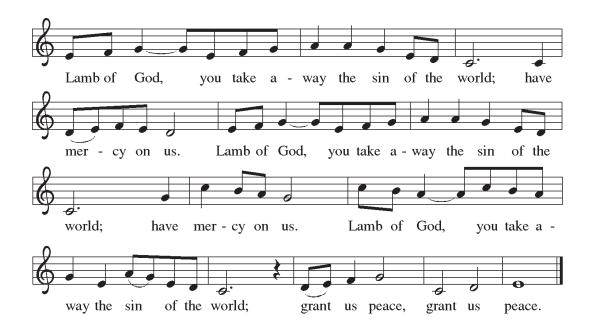
Grape juice is available in the center of each tray. You are invited to stand or kneel at the altar rail to receive today. The small cups can be placed in the basket as you return to your seat.

At 7 p.m. worship, the First Communion families will be invited to come forward first.

If you are worshiping with us on livestream, you may use bread or crackers and wine or juice from your home. We invite you to share this bread of life and cup of blessing as we all are one in Christ. We will receive Communion together after the singing of the Lamb of God.

Harriet Frances Warren, daughter of Zack and Beth Warren

Anya Elaine Fry, daughter of Eric and Sarah Fry



11 a.m. "Ubi Caritas" –Becki Slagle Mayo Augustana Singers

Ubi caritas, Deus ibi est.

Where there is charity and love, God is there.

We have gathered in this place, joining hearts in love and praise,

giving thanks to God above, we go out to serve in love.

-Becki Slagle Mayo

7 p.m. "Ubi Caritas" –Ola Gjeilo Augustana Vocal Ensemble

> Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. Where charity and love are, God is there.

Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor. Christ's love has gathered us into one.

Exultemus, et in ipso jucundemur. Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him.

Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum. Let us fear, and let us love the living God.

Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero. Amen. And may we love each other with a sincere heart. Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Embodied God, at your table, we have tasted the goodness of Jesus. With the eyes of our hearts open to your promise, empower us to hear the needs of our neighbors and touch the world with your love. **Amen.**

- Blessing God, the giver of love, ♥ Christ, the resurrection and the life, and the Holy Spirit of rebirth bless you in this Lenten journey. Amen.
 - 11 a.m. At the close of Holy Communion, the people will leave in silence.

Stripping of the Chancel by Augustana's Altar Guild

7 p.m. The assembly is invited to be seated during the stripping of the altar. This action of removing all ornaments, linens, and paraments is an ancient custom of the Church done on Maundy Thursday. It is symbolic of the humiliation of Jesus at the hands of the soldiers.

"We Glory in Your Cross, O Lord" –Russel Schulz-Widmar Chancel Choir and Izzy Howard, cello

We glory in your cross, O Lord, and praise and glorify your holy resurrection; for by virtue of your cross, joy has come to the whole world. May God be merciful to us and bless us, show us the light of his countenance and come to us. Let your ways be known upon earth, your saving health among all nations. Let all the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world. If we have died with him, we shall also live with him; if we endure, we shall also reign with him.

O Savior of the world, who by your cross and precious blood has redeemed us; save us and help us, we humbly petition, O Lord.



Welcome!

- How good to have you here! Thanks for signing the worship registration slip and placing it in the offering plate.
- Large-print copies of the service bulletin are available from Augustana's ushers.
- Children are welcome in worship! Children's bulletins and crayons are available on Augustana's entrance tables. On either side of the sanctuary there are activity bags for children. Please return the bags when worship is finished. At 7 p.m. worship, childcare is available in the nursery, for newborns through children age 5, and the Cozy Corner is available to parents at the west sanctuary entrance. Changing tables are available in the men's bathroom and in the family bathroom on this floor.
- Secure online gifts may be made through the Giving page at Augustana's website, augustanadenver.org. You can also text message your offering to 303-653-9592.
- Restrooms are located downstairs beneath the west entrance; handicapped accessible restrooms are on the east side of the sanctuary in the hallway behind the chancel.
- An elevator is available at the Fairfax Street entrance.
- Handicapped parking and entrances are available at the Fairfax Street and Elm Street entrances. Additional parking is available on the south side of the building.
- Please make sure your cell phones are silenced during worship.
- Parents, for the safety and well-being of all our children, we ask that you attend your children at all times.
- If you would like to leave your bulletin for recycling, please place it at the end of the pew.

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Worship Ministries

Altar Guild:

	Lisa Boe-Sims	
	Bill Crossen	
	Tracy Lutz	
	Pat Miller	
	Brad Uyemura	
	Paul Whitehurst	
Augustana Singers Accompanist:		
	Christelle Menth	
Communion:		
11 a.m.	Julie MacDougall	
	Diane Zarlengo	
7 p.m.	Julie MacDougall	
	Morgan Levy	
Communion Bread:		
April	Pam Uyemura	
Communion Linens:		
April	Julie Shellhorn	
Livestream Assistant:		
7 p.m.	Tanner Levy	
Readers:		
	Carl Hansen	
7 p.m.	Sharon Schillereff	
Ushers:		
11 a.m.	Greg Bickle	
	Bill Crossen	
	Lisa Boe-Sims	
7 p.m.	Annie Nessa	
	Kathi Schmidt	
	Inez Smith	
	Brad Uyemura	

Holy Week and Easter Worship

Good Friday, April 7

Spoken worship and hymns at noon, and 7 p.m. worship in the sanctuary with Stabat Mater by Joseph Haydn by choir, soloists, and chamber orchestra. Both services will be livestreamed, and nursery care will be available at 7 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 9

Worship at 8 a.m., 9:15 a.m. and 11 a.m. in the sanctuary with Holy Communion, festival brass, timpani, choirs, handbells, organ, and Augustana's Easter Garden. Bishop Jim Gonia will preach. An Easter egg hunt will be held at 10:35 a.m. Worship at 9:15 a.m. will be livestreamed, and nursery care will be available across the morning.

Register for Easter worship!

To help with our worship planning, please use the scan code or visit augustanadenver.org to register for Easter Worship.



Pastor: Caitlin Trussell **Director of Youth and Family Ministry:** Shanna VanderWel Nursery Attendant: Mary Beth Brown Faith Community Nurse: Sue Ann Glusenkamp **Director of Music and Organist:** Andrew Peters Chancel Choir Director: Kevin Padworski Augustana Vocal Ensemble: Emily Murdock, Leslie Remmert Soich, Blake Nawa`a, Keith Williamson **Choristers and Cantabile Director:** Angela Howard Finance Administrator: William Crossen Accountant: Christine Peters Publications Administrator: Lyn Goodrum Administrator of Volunteer Ministry and Building Use: Julie MacDougall Livestream Technician: Emily Friesen **Building and Grounds Manager:** Asmir Hodzic Custodian: Amaleah Buzzell Wedding Coordinators: Ellen Kastens, Amy Tamminga, Erin Saboe Willoughby **Augustana Early Learning Center Interim** Director: Kisanet Yohannes President of the Congregation: Lisa Boe-Sims

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8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday Augustana Early Learning Center: 303-388-7012 Prayer Network for Critical Illness and Emergencies: 303-388-4678

Mission Statement

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

Worship

- Worship in person at 8 a.m. in Christ Chapel or at 10:30 a.m. in the sanctuary.
- Join Augustana on our Facebook page or YouTube channel for worship livestreamed every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Visit Augustana's website (augustanadenver.org) for links, downloadable worship resources, and past worship recordings.

