
	Sixth Sunday of Easter May 14, 2023 10:30 a.m.
	<i>Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 4</i>
	<div> <div>  <p>Augustana LUTHERAN CHURCH</p> </div> <div> <p>5000 East Alameda Avenue Denver, Colorado 80246 PHONE: 303-388-4678 WEB: augustanadenver.org</p> </div> </div> <p>Worship Grow Go</p>

Welcome to worship during this Easter season! What could this rising from the dead mean? Beginning with Easter Sunday, 50 days of the church year are spent asking it in earnest as we contemplate the resurrection—Jesus rising from the dead. During the Easter season, we wonder about what rising from the dead means in our lives today. If God is a resurrecting God, then what might new life look like for you? If you're in a tough time, disorientation may rule the day but the Easter promise is that it doesn't rule forever. Given whatever is going on in your life, come and worship as we continue to ask, "What could this rising from the dead mean?"

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

"Polonaise in g minor" –Frédéric Chopin
Nichole Graham, piano

Welcome

Thanksgiving for Baptism

The assembly stands.

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, by whose power we are given new birth, by whose speaking we are given new life. **Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are named children of God. We give thanks and celebrate the gift of baptism.

Good and gracious God, **wash away our sin and all that separates us from you. Encourage our hope by the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Strengthen our call to love you, and to love our neighbors as ourselves. God's mercy and love have freed us from death, and raised us with ✠ Jesus Christ.**

In baptismal waters our old life is washed away, and in them we are born anew each day by the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Please turn toward the back of the sanctuary as the processional cross enters, and turn toward the front of the sanctuary as the cross passes you.



1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joyce and sing! Now is the tri - umph
 2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; death's might-y stone is
 3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that life which
 4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to - day with



of our king! To all the world glad news we bring:
 rolled a - way; let all the earth re - joyce and say:
 can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
 one ac - cord, the life laid down, the life re - stored:



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
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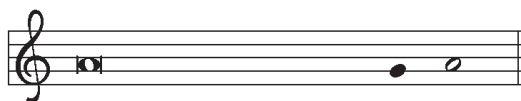
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Greeting

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.**

Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



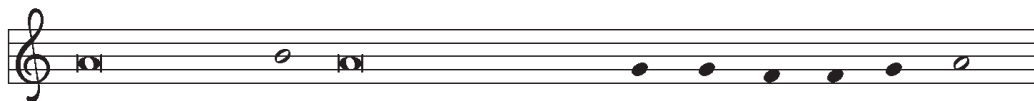
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord.

A - men.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty and ever-living God, **you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

First Reading ♦ Acts 17:22–31

A reading from Acts.

²²Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. ²³For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you.

²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things.

²⁶From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, ²⁷so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. ²⁸For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said,

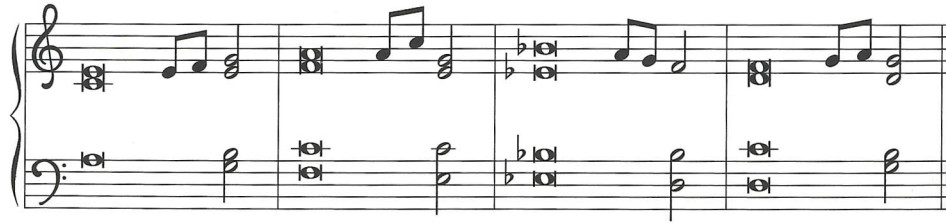
‘For we too are his offspring.’

²⁹Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. ³⁰While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm ♦ Psalm 66:8–11, 16–20

Antiphon: (*sung by choir*) Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard.



Bold verses are sung by all using the tone above.

- ⁸Bless our | God, you peoples;
let the sound of | praise be heard.
- ⁹Our God has kept us a- | mong the living
and has not allowed our | feet to slip.
- ¹⁰For you, O God, have | tested us;
you have tried us just as sil- | ver is tried.
- ¹¹You brought us in- | to the net;
you laid heavy burdens up- | on our backs. *Antiphon*
- ¹⁶**Come and listen, all you | who believe,
and I will tell you what God has | done for me.**
- ¹⁷**I called out to God | with my mouth,
and praised the Lord | with my tongue.**
- ¹⁸**If I had cherished evil | in my heart,
the Lord would | not have heard me;**
- ¹⁹**but in truth | God has heard me
and has attended to the sound | of my prayer.**
- ²⁰Blessed be God, who has not reject- | ed my prayer,
nor withheld unfailing | love from me. *Antiphon*

Second Reading ♦ 1 Peter 3:13–22

A reading from First Peter.

¹³Who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? ¹⁴But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, ¹⁵but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; ¹⁶yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. ¹⁸For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. ²¹And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel • John 14:15–21

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

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁵“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

¹⁸“I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

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

The assembly is seated.

Anthem • “This Little Light of Mine” –Mark Patterson Choristers

This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine.
Shine, take this little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine.
Everywhere I go, I’m gonna let it shine.
I’m gonna let it shine ‘til Jesus comes. Shine!

–spiritual

Children’s Sermon

Sermon • Pastor Mark Peterson

Hymn of the Day ♦ ELW 735: **Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth**

The assembly stands.

NORWICH

1 Moth - er - ing God, you gave me birth in the bright
 2 Moth - er - ing Christ, you took my form, of - fer - ing
 3 Moth - er - ing Spir - it, nur - t'ring one, in arms of

morn - ing of this world. Cre - a - tor, source of ev - 'ry
 me your food of light, grain . . . of life, and grape of
 pa - tience hold me close, so that in faith I root and

breath, you are my rain, my wind, my sun.
 love, your ver - y bod - y for my peace.
 grow un - til I flow'r, un - til I know.

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Holy Baptism

The assembly is seated.

Rejoice with **Quincey**, daughter of **James and Lauren Kastens**, in her baptism. Welcome her into Christ's family today! Quincey's sponsors are Andrew Kastens and Casey Rosenberg.

Presentation

In baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

Promises are made by the parents, the sponsors, and the assembly.

Profession of Faith

The assembly stands.

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.
 Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

We renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

We renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

We renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Thanksgiving at the Font

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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

We give you thanks . . . in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

The candidate is baptized.

Let us pray.

We give you thanks . . . joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

Welcome

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Please stand as we sing a word of welcome to the newly baptized.

AR HYD Y NOS

Rain - drops, o - ceans, lakes, and riv - ers; wel - come, child of God.

Moth - ers, fa - thers, broth - ers, sis - ters; wel - come, child of God.

When the world feels wide a - round you, when the dark of night sur-rounds you,

we are here to tend and guide you. Wel - come, child of God.

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Prayers of Intercession

After each petition:

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Peace

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

The assembly is seated.

Offering

Our giving to ELCA World Hunger helps mothers in developing countries care for their families by providing educational opportunities, agricultural assistance, and microloans.



“I Believe” –Mark A. Miller

Cantabile; Lydia King, solo

I believe in the sun even when it's not shining.

I believe in love even when I don't feel it.

I believe in God even when God is silent.

–Anonymous Jewish poem

The assembly stands.

Offering Response ♦ ELW 182: Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -
nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

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Offertory Prayer

Generous God, **accept our gifts offered in faith, hope, and love, as we give you thanks for your gifts from the earth. In this meal you offer your very self. In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving

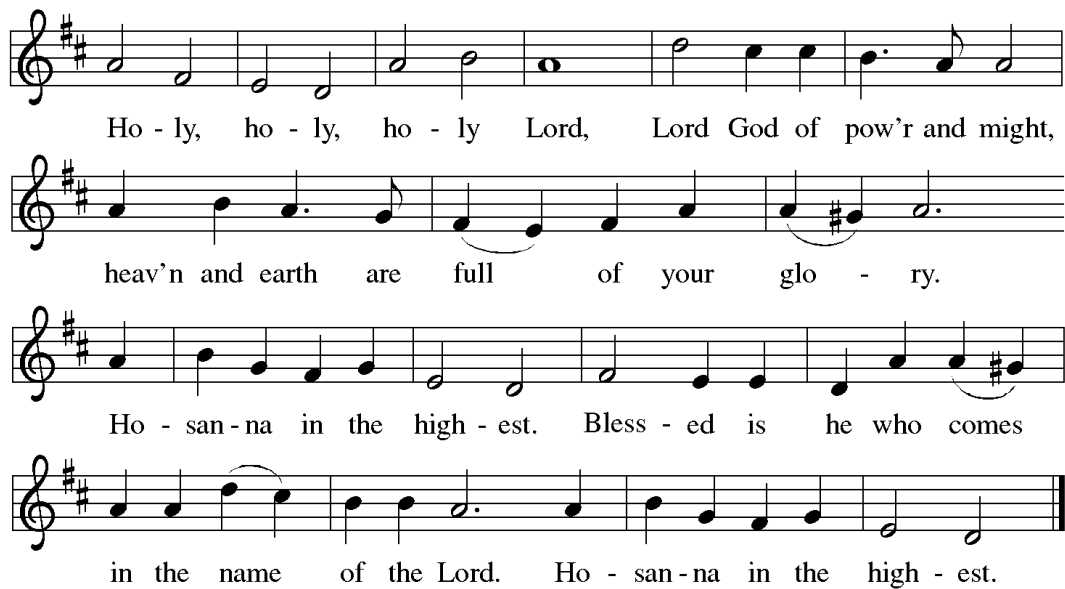
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Prayer

Holy God, endless is your mercy and eternal your love.

You have filled creation with light and life;

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

We praise you for the grace shown to your people in every age:

the promise given through Abraham,

the rescue from Egypt through Moses,

the words spoken through the prophets;

and the gift given through Jesus Christ,

who expanded your promise to all people,

who proclaimed the good news in word and deed,

and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit to us, and to this bread and wine.

Join our prayers with those of your people of every time and place,
and unite them with the ceaseless prayers of Jesus Christ.

Through him, with him, in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours, almighty God,
now and forever. **Amen.**

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.**

The assembly is seated.

Holy Communion

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion this morning. We share this meal with confidence in Christ's real presence with us in this sacrament. All the bread used is gluten-free, and both wine and grape juice are available in the tray of glasses. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of the sacrament, please cross your arms when you come forward. (If you are worshipping with us on livestream, you may use bread or crackers and wine or juice from your home.)

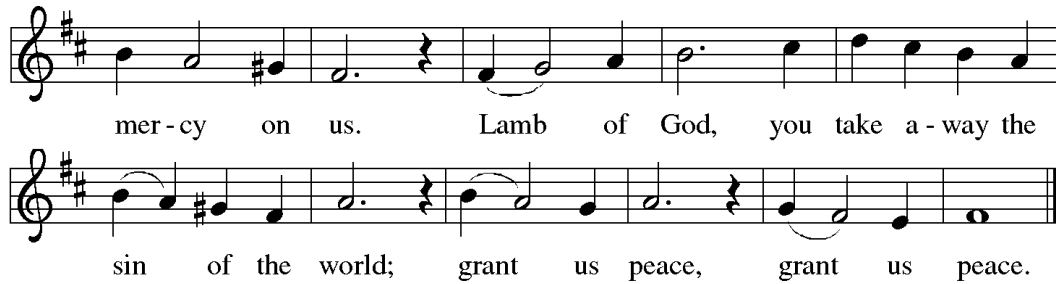
If you have difficulty coming forward, please tell an usher, and Communion will be brought to you. We will receive Communion together after the singing of the Lamb of God.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



“Love One Another” –Alan Bullard
Chancel Choir

This commandment God gives to us all, that we love one another as he loves us.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, love the Lord your God with all your soul,
Love the Lord your God with all your mind, love the Lord your God with all your strength.

This commandment God gives to us all, that we love one another as he loves us.

Love the Lord your God, let us love one another.

–John 13:34 and Mark 12:29–31

Blessing after Communion

The assembly stands.

May the body and blood of Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you
in God’s grace. **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your
word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together.
Strengthen us to show your love and serve our neighbors in Jesus’
name. **Amen.**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

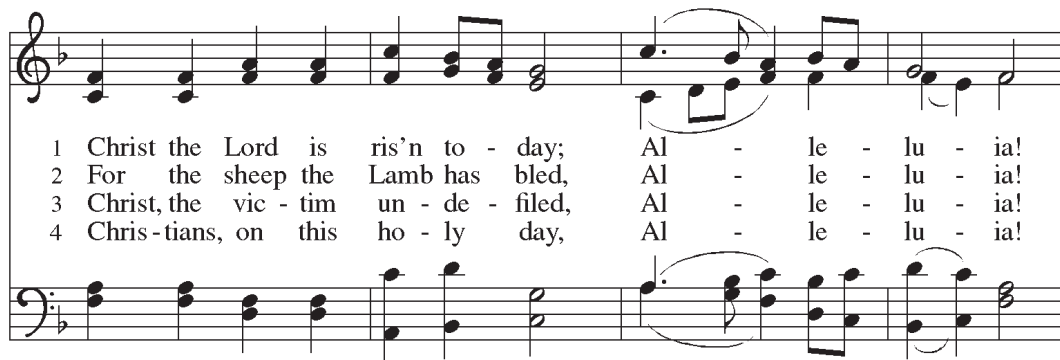
The Lord’s face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn ♦ ELW 369: Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!

LLANFAIR

*Please turn and face the processional cross as it leaves the sanctuary, facing the back of the
sanctuary for the dismissal.*



Chris-tians, has - ten on your way; Al - le - lu - ia!
sin - less in the sin - ner's stead. Al - le - lu - ia!
God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled, Al - le - lu - ia!
all your grate - ful hom - age pay; Al - le - lu - ia!

of - fer praise with love re - plete, Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!
when con - tend - ing death and life, Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!

at the pas - chal vic - tim's feet. Al - le - lu - ia!
now he lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!
met in strange and awe - some strife. Al - le - lu - ia!
now he lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!

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Music: LLANFAIR, Robert Williams, 1781–1821

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve in hope. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

“Easter Improvisation” –Robert Hobby

You are welcome to sit by the organ console during the postlude.

Flowers for worship today are given in memory of loving mother Dorothy Toscano by her daughters, Karen Yeager and Debra Dorn, and in honor of the baptism of Quincey Tate Kastens by her grandparents, Jamie and Ellen Kastens, and Randy and Brenda Schutte.



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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. Just outside of Christ Chapel and on either side of the sanctuary there are activity bags for children. Please return the bags when worship is finished. Childcare is available in the nursery, 9 a.m.–noon, 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](https://giving.page.at-Augustana's-website-augustanadenver.org). You can also text message your offering to 303-653-9592.
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- 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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Michael Graham

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Communion Bread:

May Robin Hoffman

Communion:

8 a.m. Tim & Laura Libby

10:30 a.m. Heather Nelson

Heather Frank

Communion Linens:

May Ellen Kastens

Crucifer:

10:30 a.m. Max Johnson

Greeter:

10:30 a.m. Ellie Bonicelli

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Tim Garrington

Sharon Schillereff

Prayers:

Nancy Johnson

Readers:

8 a.m. Roger Lipker

10:30 a.m. Christelle Menth

Ushers:

8 a.m. AJ Levy

Morgan Levy

10:30 a.m. Will Crook

Bill Crossen

James Kastens

Craig Tamminga

Miles Tamminga

Welcome Connection:

Nancy Nyhus

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.

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