

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
July 16, 2023 | 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 8

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Welcome to worship on summer Sundays after Pentecost! These Sundays are ordered numerically after the celebration of Pentecost which is traditionally considered the birth of the church in the first century. This year it was on May 28. Our worship is infused with the themes of our life together as church and our lives of faith in the world. We celebrate faith breathed into us by God as we consider how we live our faith for God's sake and for the sake of the world and each other.

Also, for summer Sundays, Chancel Choir has melted back into the pews, and the ad hoc Summer Choir sings week-to-week with the folks who are able to be here each Sunday. You're welcome to give it a try! In addition, S'more Fun and Worship gathers in our courtyard on July Wednesday evenings at 5:45 p.m. for supper followed by communion and camp songs, 6:30–7 p.m., led by guitar. See your announcement page for details.

Thanks to **Pastor Kent Mueller**, Augustana member and retired pastor, for presiding at worship today.

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 ♦ "Andante" from *Sonata in a minor* –Georg Philipp Telemann
Miriam Kapner, oboe

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

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, who is with us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors.

Merciful God, we confess to you the sin of our faults and failings. Too often we neglect and do not trust your holy word; we take for ourselves instead of giving to others; we spoil rather than steward your creation; we cause hurt though you call us to heal; we choose fear over compassion. Forgive us as we seek to follow in the way of Jesus. Amen.

God promises boundless grace in every time and place. Hear the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of ✠ Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn ♦ ELW 853: **When Morning Gilds the Skies**

LAUDES DOMINI

10:30 a.m. *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 When morn-ing gilds the skies, my heart a - wak - ing cries:
2 When mirth for mu - sic longs, this is my song of songs:
3 No love - lier an - ti - phon in all high heav'n is known
4 Let all of hu - man - kind in this their con - cord find:
5 Sing, sun and stars of space, sing, all who see his face,

may Je - sus Christ be praised! When eve - ning shad - ows fall,
 may Je - sus Christ be praised! God's ho - ly house of prayer
 than "Je - sus Christ be praised!" There to the e - ter - nal Word
 may Je - sus Christ be praised! Let all the earth a - round
 sing, "Je - sus Christ be praised!" God's whole cre - a - tion o'er,

this rings my cur - few call: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
 has none that can com - pare with "Je - sus Christ be praised!"
 the e - ter - nal psalm is heard: oh, Je - sus Christ be praised!
 ring joy - ous with the sound: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
 to - day and ev - er - more shall Je - sus Christ be praised!

Text: German hymn, 19th cent.; tr. Robert Bridges, 1844–1930, alt.
 Music: LAUDES DOMINI, Joseph Barnby, 1838–1896

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 *Kyrie Eleison is Greek and translates as “Lord, have mercy.”*
All sing Refrain, and cantor sings verses.

Refrain:

Refrain



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.




Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.


Cantor: For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all;
 for this holy house, for all who worship and praise,
 let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. *Refrain*

Canticle of Praise


Refrain




Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and



peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther,



we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you

Refrain
for your glo - ry. Glo - ry to God in the high-

est, the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the

right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

Refrain
Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and

peace to God's peo - ple on earth. 3 For you a -

lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.
 A - men. A - men. A - men.
Final refrain
 Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and peace to God's
 peo - ple on earth.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your word. By your Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy, live according to it, and grow in faith and hope and love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

The assembly is seated.

First Reading ♦ Genesis 25:19–34

A reading from Genesis.

¹⁹These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, ²⁰and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddanaram, sister of Laban the Aramean. ²¹Isaac prayed to the LORD

for his wife, because she was barren; and the LORD granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. ²²The children struggled together within her; and she said, “If it is to be this way, why do I live?” So she went to inquire of the LORD. ²³And the LORD said to her,

“Two nations are in your womb,
and two peoples born of you shall be divided;
the one shall be stronger than the other,
the elder shall serve the younger.”

²⁴When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. ²⁵The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. ²⁶Afterward his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau’s heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them.

²⁷When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. ²⁸Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob.

²⁹Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. ³⁰Esau said to Jacob, “Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!” (Therefore he was called Edom.) ³¹Jacob said, “First sell me your birthright.” ³²Esau said, “I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?” ³³Jacob said, “Swear to me first.” So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. ³⁴Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

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

Psalm ♦ Psalm 119:105–112

Read responsively.

¹⁰⁵Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light upon my path.

¹⁰⁶**I have sworn and am determined
to keep your righteous judgments.**

¹⁰⁷I am deeply troubled;
preserve my life, O LORD, according to your word.

¹⁰⁸**Accept, O LORD, the willing tribute of my lips,
and teach me your judgments.**

¹⁰⁹My life is always in danger,
yet I do not forget your teaching.

¹¹⁰**The wicked have set a trap for me,
but I have not strayed from your commandments.**

¹¹¹Your decrees are my inheritance forever;
truly, they are the joy of my heart.

¹¹²**I have applied my heart to fulfill your statutes
forever and to the end.**

Second Reading ♦ Romans 8:1–11

A reading from Romans.

¹There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ²For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. ³For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. ⁶To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, ⁸and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

⁹But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus

from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

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

The assembly stands.

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.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel ♦ Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

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

¹That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. ²Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. ⁴And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. ⁵Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. ⁶But when

the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹Let anyone with ears listen!”

¹⁸“Hear then the parable of the sower. ¹⁹When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. ²⁰As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; ²¹yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. ²²As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. ²³But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.”

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

The assembly is seated.

Children’s Sermon ♦ 10:30 a.m.

Sermon ♦ Pastor Caitlin Trussell

The assembly stands.

Hymn of the Day ♦ ACS 1046: **As Rivers Flow from a Distant Spring**

HÖKELUND



Cantor:	1	As	riv - ers	flow	from	a	dis - tant	spring
All:	2	As	trees	rise	up	from	the for - est	floor
All:	3	As	woods	make	shel - ter	with - in	its	shade
All:	4	So	let	us	praise	you, Cre - a - tor		God,



to quench our thirst and feed the earth,
by roots that feed each limb a - bove,
for beasts to feed and birds to nest,
for worlds that wit - ness to your care,



so let our lives flow from you, our Source,
so let our lives rise in praise to you
so let our lives be a shel - tered space,
that show your pres - ence in ev - 'ry place,



to coun - ter death and nur - ture birth.
from hearts we root in your deep love.
a ref - uge for the worn to rest.
your glo - ry shin - ing ev - 'ry - where.

Text: David Bjorlin, b. 1984

Music: HÖKELUND, William Beckstrand, b. 1962

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Apostles' Creed

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

**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.

**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.**

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

Vacation Bible School took over the church building and the grounds this past week with the leadership of counselors from Sky Ranch Lutheran Camp. Our giving helped make this week of fun and faith possible.



“You Are the Branches” –Michael Jothan

8 a.m. Emily Murdock, solo

10:30 a.m. Summer Choir and Christelle Menth piano

I am the vine, you are the branches says the Lord.

In my word I have spoken unto you,

in my word you are made clean.

In my word it shall be done for you.

Spread the news in my name.

Abide in me, I in you, all who abide in me shall glorify my name.

In my love you shall not wither,

you shall bear fruit and glorify my name.

I am the vine, you are the branches says the Lord.

-John 15:1-11

The assembly stands.

Offering Response ♦ ELW 870: **We Praise You, O God**

KREMSE

3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer
and glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.
With you, Lord, be - side us, your strong arm will guide us.
To you, our great re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 3/4 time signature. The lyrics are: '3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer'. The second staff continues: 'and glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.'. The third staff: 'With you, Lord, be - side us, your strong arm will guide us.'. The fourth staff: 'To you, our great re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!'. The score ends with a double bar line.

Text: Julia C. Cory, 1882-1963

Music: KREMSE, A. Valerius, *Nederlandsch Gedenckclanck*, 1626

Offertory Prayer

God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and 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, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Prayer

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God,
and great is your glory.

You so loved the world that you sent to us Jesus,
your Word made flesh.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world
to fulfill your holy will and show us the way.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,
we give thanks to you, O God,
not as we ought but as we are able;
accept our praise and thanksgiving,
and with your Word and Holy Spirit bless us, your servants,
and this bread and wine,
so that we may be filled with grace,
and forgiven and formed to live as your people
for the sake of the world.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory in your church, now and forever. **Amen.**

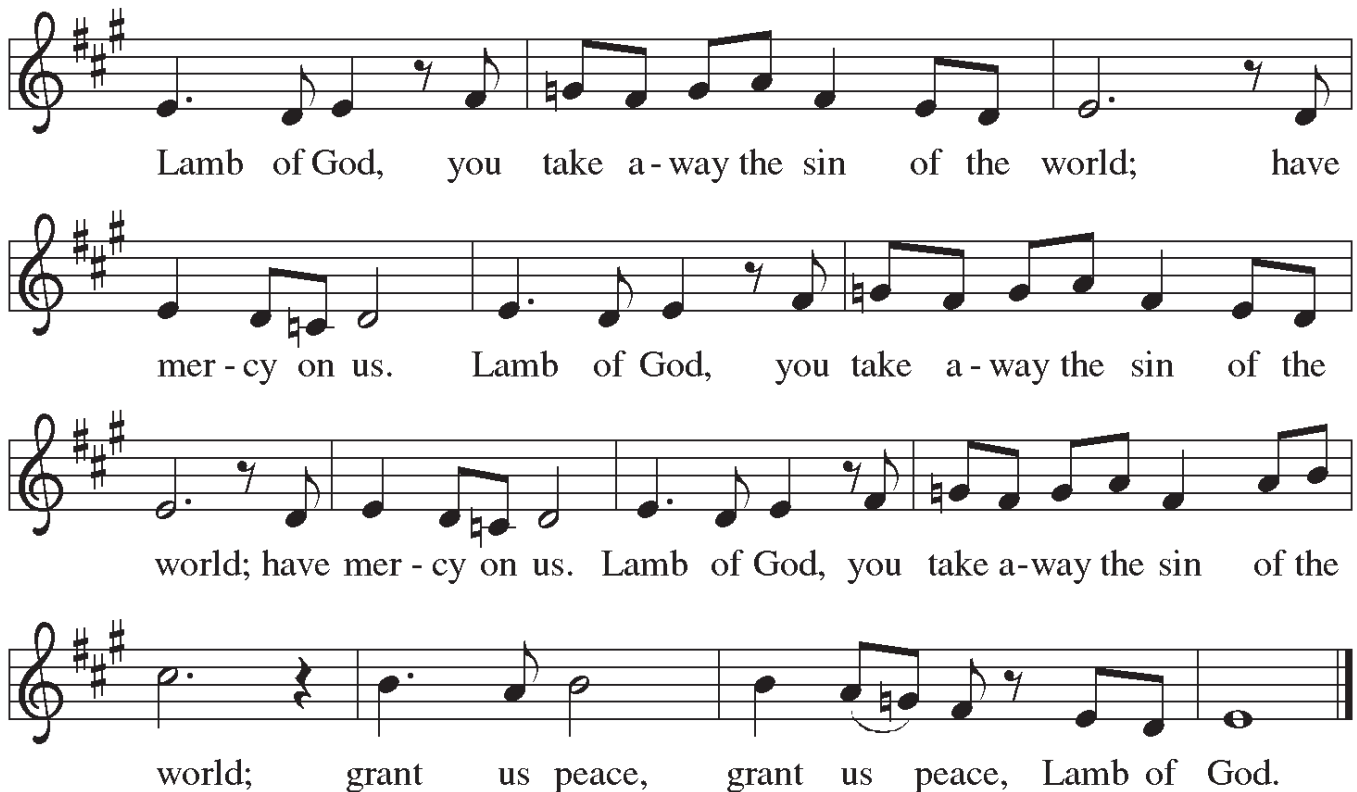
Lord's Prayer **Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
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 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

“Show Me Thy Ways” –Walter L. Pelz
Emily Murdock and Miriam Kapner

Show me thy ways O Lord, teach me thy paths;
lead me in thy truth and teach me:
for thou art the God of my salvation.
And on thee do I wait all the day.
Show me thy ways O Lord, teach me thy paths;
lead me in thy truth.

–Psalm 25: 4, 5

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

We thank you, generous God, for nourishing us
at your holy meal. Send us now to spread your
generosity into all the world, through Jesus
Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Blessing

The God who calls across the cosmos and
speaks in the smallest seed ✠ bless, keep, and
sustain you now and to the end of the age.
Amen.

Sending Hymn ♦ ELW 551: **The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve**

CHESTERFIELD

10:30 a.m. *Please turn and face the processional cross as it leaves the sanctuary, facing the back of the sanctuary for the dismissal.*



1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in
2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the
3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scat - ter
4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel



Je - sus' name to bring glad tid - ings
bur - dened free; where hope is dim, to
joy like seed and, all our days, to
to pro - claim. God's Spir - it has em -



to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.
share a dream and help the blind to see.
cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.
pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: CHESTERFIELD, attr. Thomas Haweis, 1734–1820

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Dismissal Go in peace. Serve in love. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude “Processional” –William Mathias

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



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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. Augustana's nursery staff is on hiatus in July, but, along with the Caring Corner, the nursery is available for children accompanied by an adult who may need a quiet place. Changing tables are available in the men's bathroom and in the family bathroom on this floor.
- You are welcome to have your water bottles with you during worship.
- 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.
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- The Ammerman Library is open and staffed every Sunday.
- 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.

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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10:30 a.m. Angie Ourada

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10:30 a.m. Emmett Cruson

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