

	<b>Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost</b> <b>August 20, 2023   8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.</b>
	<i>Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 8</i>
	<div> <div>  <p><b>Augustana</b> LUTHERAN CHURCH</p> </div> <div> <p>5000 East Alameda Avenue Denver, Colorado 80246 PHONE: 303-388-4678 WEB: <a href="http://augustanadenver.org">augustanadenver.org</a></p> </div> </div> <p>Worship   Grow   Go</p>

**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.

*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** • "Dialogue" –Gilbert Martin  
Kevin Padworski, organ

**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 879: For the Beauty of the Earth

DIX

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 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,  
2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,  
3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,  
4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,  
5 For each per - fect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;  
for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:  
hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:  
for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:  
friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:  
for thy - self, best gift di - vine, to our world so free - ly giv'n:  
*Refrain*  
Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

Text: Folliott S. Pierpoint, 1835–1917, alt.  
Music: DIX, Conrad Kocher, 1786–1872

## 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.**

## Mission Moment • Welcome Connection

# 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 our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family;  
for life and for love, for our work and our play,  
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,

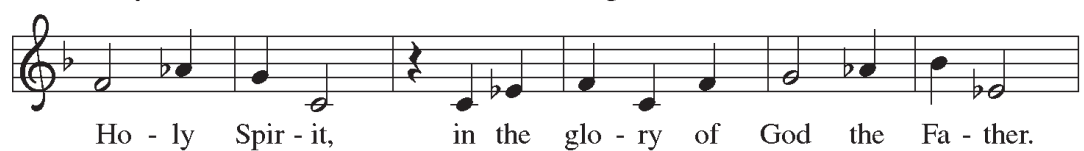
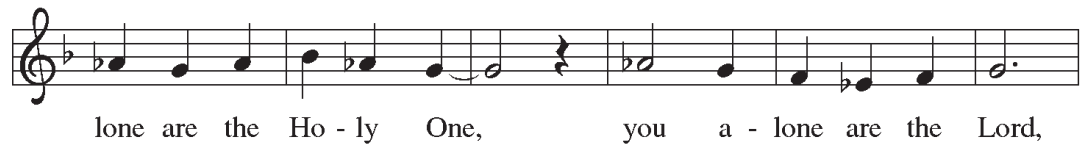
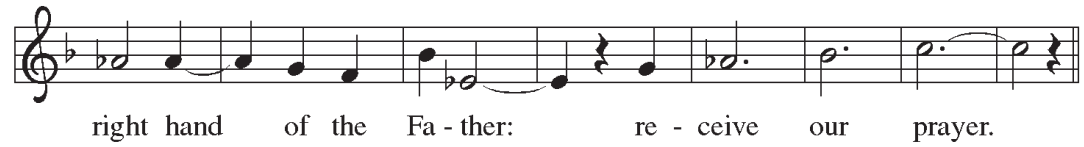
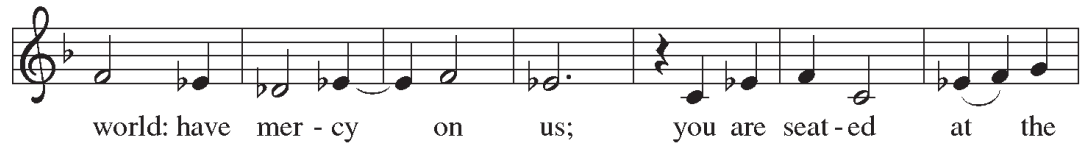
we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you

*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,



## Prayer of the Day

**God of all peoples, your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you. Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy, that your name may be known throughout the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*The assembly is seated.*

## First Reading ♦ Genesis 45:1–15

A reading from Genesis.

[After Judah offered himself in place of his brother Benjamin,] <sup>1</sup>Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, “Send everyone away from me.” So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers.

<sup>2</sup>And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it.

<sup>3</sup>Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?” But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

<sup>4</sup>Then Joseph said to his brothers, “Come closer to me.” And they came closer. He said, “I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. <sup>5</sup>And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. <sup>6</sup>For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. <sup>7</sup>God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. <sup>8</sup>So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. <sup>9</sup>Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, ‘Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. <sup>10</sup>You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children’s children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. <sup>11</sup>I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.’ <sup>12</sup>And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. <sup>13</sup>You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here.” <sup>14</sup>Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin’s neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. <sup>15</sup>And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

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

## Psalms ♦ Psalm 133

*Read responsively.*

<sup>1</sup>How good and how pleasant it is,  
when kindred live together in unity!

**<sup>2</sup>It is like fine oil upon the head, flowing down upon the beard,  
upon the beard of Aaron, flowing down upon the collar of his robe.**

<sup>3</sup>It is like the dew of Hermon flowing down upon the hills of Zion.

**For there the LORD has commanded the blessing: life forevermore.**

## Second Reading ♦ Romans 11:1–2a, 29–32

A reading from Romans.

[Paul writes:] <sup>1</sup>I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. <sup>2a</sup>God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

<sup>29</sup>For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. <sup>30</sup>Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, <sup>31</sup>so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy.

<sup>32</sup>For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

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

*The assembly stands.*

## Gospel Acclamation



## Gospel ♦ Matthew 15:10–28

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

<sup>10</sup>[Jesus] called the crowd to him and said to them, “Listen and understand: <sup>11</sup>it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles.”

<sup>12</sup>Then the disciples approached and said to him, “Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?” <sup>13</sup>He answered, “Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. <sup>14</sup>Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit.” <sup>15</sup>But Peter said to him, “Explain this parable to us.” <sup>16</sup>Then he said, “Are you also still without understanding? <sup>17</sup>Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? <sup>18</sup>But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. <sup>19</sup>For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. <sup>20</sup>These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.”

<sup>21</sup>Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup>Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.” <sup>23</sup>But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.” <sup>24</sup>He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” <sup>25</sup>But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” <sup>26</sup>He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” <sup>27</sup>She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” <sup>28</sup>Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

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 1062: **Build a Longer Table**

NOËL NOUVELET



1 Build a long - er ta - ble, not a high - er wall,  
 2 Build a saf - er ref - uge, not a larg - er jail;  
 3 Build a broad - er door - way, not a long - er fence.  
 4 When we lived as ex - iles, ref - u - gees a - broad,



feed - ing those who hun - ger, mak - ing room for all.  
 where the weak find shel - ter, mer - cy will not fail.  
 Love pro - tects all peo - ple, spar - ing no ex - pense.  
 Christ be - came our door - way to the reign of God.



Feast - ing to - geth - er, strang - er turns to friend,  
 For an - y place where jus - tice is de - nied,  
 When we em - brace com - pas - sion more than fear,  
 So must our ta - bles wel - come those who roam.



Christ breaks walls to piec - es; false di - vi - sions end.  
 Christ will breach the jail wall, free - ing all in - side.  
 Christ tears down our fenc - es: all are wel - come here.  
 None can be ex - clud - ed; all must find a home.

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 Music: NOËL NOUVELET, French carol  
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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

*It's back to school time! Our regular offering helps 26 Lutheran colleges and universities and 8 seminaries remain lively places of learning and leadership development.*



“Biblical Songs” (Op.99) –Antonín Dvořák

Blake Nawa`a, solo

Slyš, o Bože, volání mé, pozoruj modlitby mé!

*Hear, oh God, my cry, observe my prayers!*

Nebo jsi býval útočiště mé a pevná věže před tváří nepřítele.

*For You were often my refuge and a solid tower before the face of the enemy.*

Budu bydleti v stánku Tvém na věky, schráním se v skrýši křídel Tvých.

*I will dwell in your temple forever; I save myself in the refuge of Your wings.*

Bože! Bůh silný můj Ty jsi, tebe t' hned v jitře hledám,

*God! You are my God of strength, from early in the morning I look for You,*

Tebe žízni duše má, po Tobě touží tělo mé,

*for You my soul thirsts, for You my body longs,*



V zemi žíznivé a vyprahlé, V níž není vody;  
*in a land thirsty and parched, in which there is no water.*  
 A tak, abych Tobě dobrořečil A s radostným rtů prozpěvováním  
*And so that I would thank You and with joyous singing of my lips,*  
 Chválila by Tě ústa má.  
*my mouth would praise You.*

–Psalms 61:2, 4–5 and 63:1, 4–5

Popatřiž na mne a smiluj se nade mnou; neboť jsem opuštěný a ztrápený.  
*Look toward me and have mercy on me; for I am desolate and distressed.*  
 Soužení srdce mého rozmnožují se, Z úzkostí mých vyved' mne.  
*The worries of my heart multiply themselves, from my anxieties bring me out.*  
 Smiluj se nade mnou! Viz trápení mé a bídu mou  
*Have mercy on me! See my affliction and my misery,*  
 A odpusť všechny hříchy mé. Ostříhej duše mé a vytrhni mne  
*And forgive all my sins. Protect my soul and deliver me,*  
 Ať nejsem zahanben, neboť v Tebe doufám.  
*Let me not be put to shame, for in You I hope!*

–Psalm 25:16-18, 20

*The assembly stands.*

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

KREMSER

3 With voice - united our praises we offer  
 and gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.  
 With you, Lord, beside us, your strong arm will guide us.  
 To you, our great redeemer, forever be praise!

Text: Julia C. Cory, 1882–1963  
 Music: KREMSER, 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.**

## 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.**

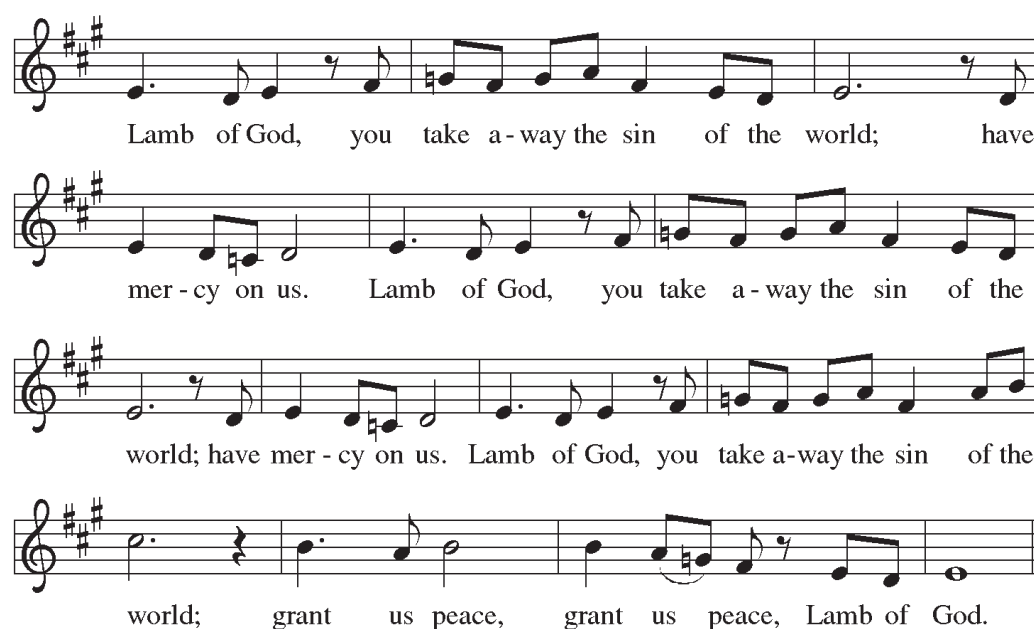
**Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## 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.*



“O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go” –Mary E. Caldwell

Blake Nawa`a, solo

O Love that wilt not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee;  
I give thee back the life I owe,  
that in thine ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.

O Light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to thee;  
my heart restores its borrowed ray,  
that in thy sunshine's glow its day may brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee;  
I trace the rainbow through the rain,  
and feel the promise is not vain, that morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee;  
I lay in dust, life's glory dead,  
and from the ground there blossoms red, life that shall endless be.

–George Matheson

## 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 878: **Soli Deo Gloria**

SOLI DEO GLORIA

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.*



**All:** 1 O God of bless - ings, all praise to you! Your love sur -  
**All:** 2 All praise for proph - ets, through grace in - spired to preach and  
**Cantor:** 3 All praise for mu - sic, deep gift pro - found, through hands and  
**All:** 4 All praise for Je - sus, best gift di - vine through word and  
**All:** 5 A bil - lion voic - es in one great song, now soft and

rounds us our whole life through. You are the  
wit - ness with hearts on fire. Your Spir - it  
voic - es in ho - ly sound; the psalms of  
wit - ness, in bread and wine; in - car - nate  
gen - tle, now deep and strong, in ev - 'ry

free - dom of those op - pressed; you are the com - fort of all dis -  
choos - es the weak and small to sing the new reign where might - y  
Da - vid, and Mar - y's praise, in word - less splen - dor and lyr - ic  
love song of bound - less grace, priest, teach - er, proph - et in time and  
cul - ture and style and key, from hill and val - ley, with sky and

tressed. Come now, O ho - ly and wel - come guest:  
fall; with them may we live your gos - pel call:  
phrase, with all cre - a - tion one song we raise:  
space, your stead - fast kind - ness with hu - man face:  
sea, with Christ we praise you e - ter - nal - ly:

So - li De - o glo - ri - a! So - li De - o glo - ri - a!

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: SOLI DEO GLORIA, Marty Haugen

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## Dismissal

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

## Postlude

“Prelude in G major,” BWV 568 –Johann S. Bach

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

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## 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 during 10:30 a.m. worship 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.
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**Communion:**

8 a.m. Jim Dierker

10:30 a.m. Karen Bourg  
Katherine Cruson

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Paul Blanchard

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Nancy Johnson

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8 a.m. Robin Hoffman

10:30 a.m. Matt Miller

**Ushers:**

8 a.m. Lisa Boe-Sims

10:30 a.m. Emmett Cruson  
Rosalee Wanchisen  
Jordan Ourada  
Lance Wheeland

### 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](http://augustanadenver.org)) for links, downloadable worship resources, and past worship recordings.

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