

**Welcome!** We are glad that you are here! The month of November is the ending of the scriptures for the Gospel of Matthew. (Advent begins the new church year with the Gospel of Mark.) While the parables of Matthew seem harsh, the "good news" is present and will be taught and shared. November is also celebrated as a month of gratitude as we move towards the Thanksgiving holiday in the U.S. Join us each week in giving thanks to the Holy One!

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** • "Prelude on LIEBSTER JESU" –Richard Purvis

## Welcome

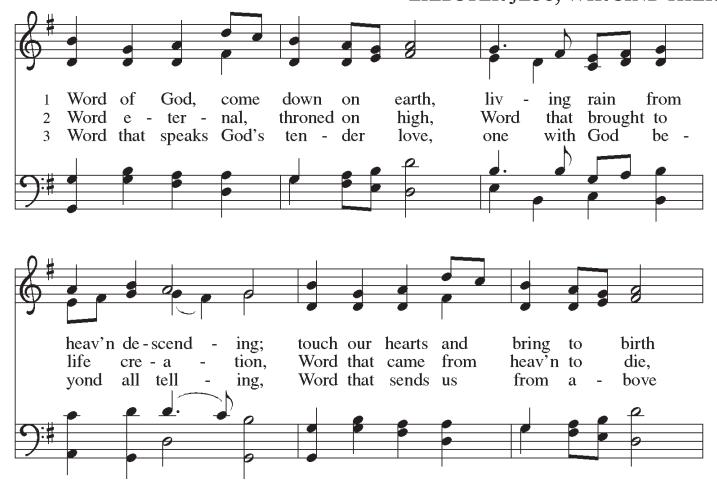
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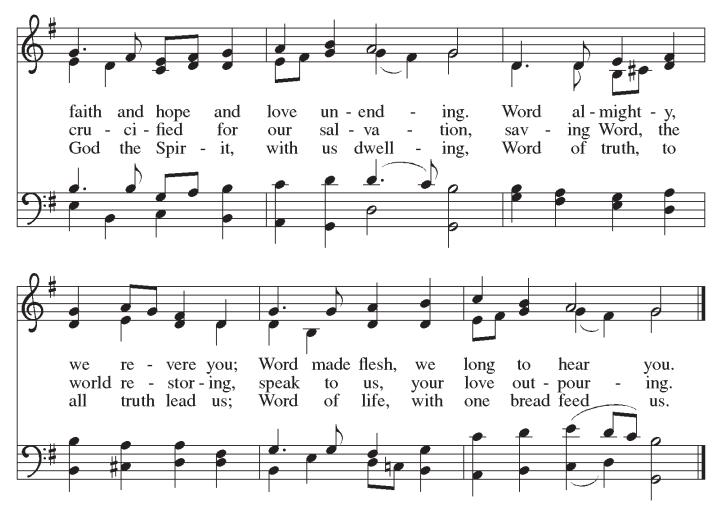
The assembly stands.

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, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved. Amen. Silence is kept for reflection. The people may kneel. Holy One, we confess that we are not awake for you. We are not faithful in using your gifts. We forget the least of our siblings. We do not see your beautiful image in one another. We are infected by sin that divides your beloved community. Open our hearts to your coming, open our eyes to see you in our neighbor, open our hands to serve your creation. Amen. Beloved, we are God's children, and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us. Through ✤ Jesus you are forgiven, by Jesus you are welcome, in Jesus you are called to rejoice! Let us live in the promises prepared for us from the foundation of the world. Amen.

10:30 a.m. For the Gathering Hymn, 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.

#### Gathering Hymn • ELW 510: Word of God, Come Down on Earth LIEBSTER JESU, WIR SIND HIER

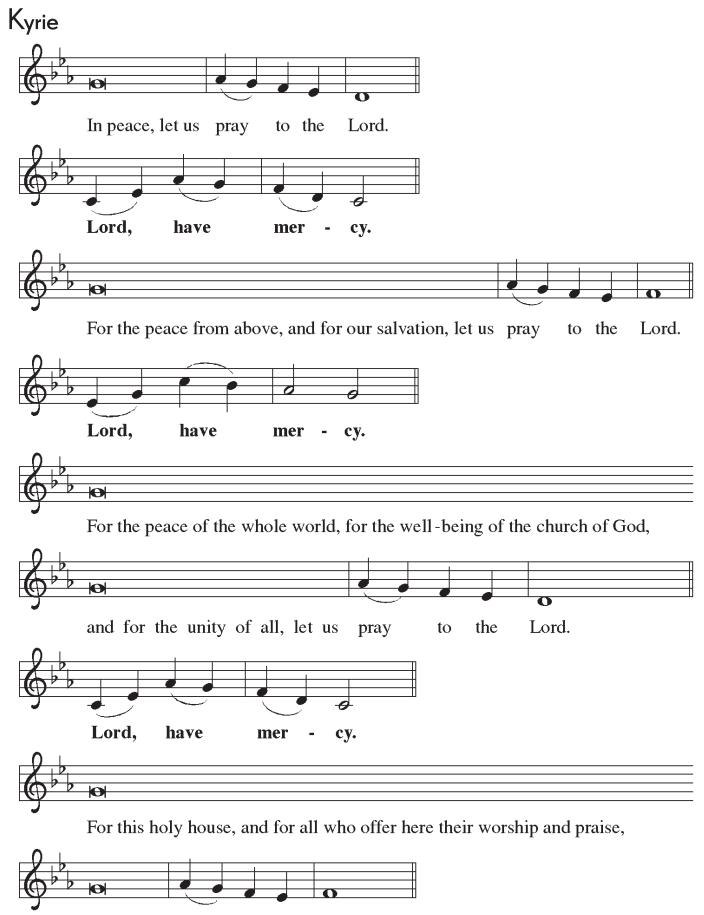


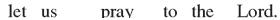


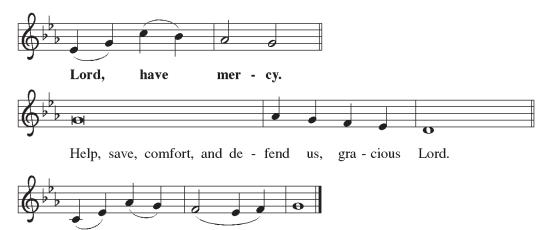
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**Greeting** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.** 



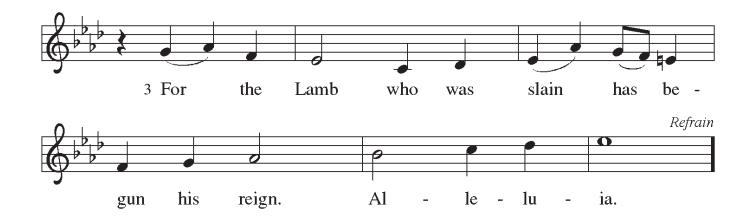




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## Canticle of Praise





## Prayer of the Day

O God of justice and love, **you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.** 

The assembly is seated.

### First Reading Amos 5:18-24

A reading from Amos.

<sup>18</sup>Alas for you who desire the day of the LORD!

Why do you want the day of the LORD?

It is darkness, not light;

<sup>19</sup>as if someone fled from a lion,

and was met by a bear;

or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall, and was bitten by a snake.

<sup>20</sup>Is not the day of the LORD darkness, not light, and gloom with no brightness in it?

<sup>21</sup>I hate, I despise your festivals,

and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. <sup>22</sup>Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings,

I will not accept them;

and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon. <sup>23</sup>Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps.
<sup>24</sup>But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.
The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

**Psalm** • Psalm 70

Antiphon: *(sung by choir)* You are my helper and my deliverer; O Lord, do not tarry.



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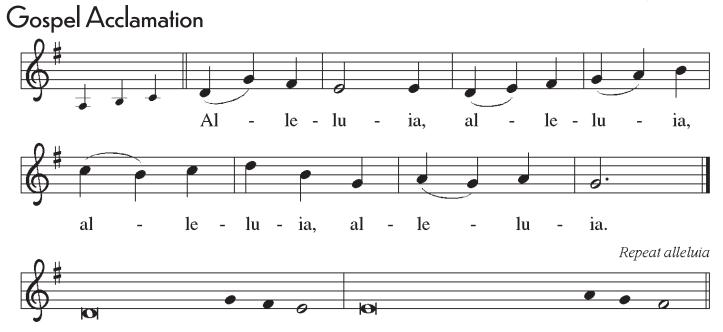
<sup>1</sup>Be pleased, O God, to de- | liver me; O LORD, make | haste to help me. <sup>2</sup>Let those who seek my life be put to shame | and confounded; let those who take pleasure in my misfortune draw back and | be disgraced. Antiphon <sup>3</sup>Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat | over me turn back because | of their shame. <sup>4</sup>Let all who seek you rejoice and be | glad in you; let those who love your salvation say forever, "Great | is the LORD!" <sup>5</sup>But as for me, I am poor and needy; come to me quick- | ly, O God. You are my helper and my deliverer; O LORD, | do not tarry. Antiphon

### Second Reading • 1 Thessalonians 4:13–18

A reading from First Thessalonians.

<sup>13</sup>We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. <sup>14</sup>For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. <sup>15</sup>For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. <sup>16</sup>For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. <sup>17</sup>Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. <sup>18</sup>Therefore encourage one another with these words.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.



Cantor: Keep awake | and be ready,\* for you do not know on what day your | Lord is coming.

(Matt. 24:42, 44)

The assembly sings the Alleluia again.

### Gospel • Matthew 25:1–13

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

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>1</sup>"Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. <sup>2</sup>Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. <sup>3</sup>When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; <sup>4</sup>but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. <sup>5</sup>As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. <sup>6</sup>But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' <sup>7</sup>Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. <sup>8</sup>The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' <sup>9</sup>But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' <sup>10</sup>And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. <sup>11</sup>Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' <sup>12</sup>But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' <sup>13</sup>Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

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

The assembly is seated.

Anthem • 10:30 a.m. "The Lord God Made Them All" –Lynn Shaw Bailey and Becki Slagle Mayo Choristers

> All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small. All things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.

Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings, God made their glowing colors, God made their tiny wings.

The purple headed mountain, the river running by, the sunset and the morning that brightens up the sky.

All things made beautiful, all creatures great and small. All things made wonderful, God made them all.

God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell how great is our creator, who has made all things well.

-Cecil Frances Alexander

Children's Sermon • 10:30 a.m.

Sermon • Pastor Gail Mundt

Hymn of the Day • ELW 841: Lift Every Voice and Sing LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING





sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has brought us; we have come, tread-ing our path through the blood of the slaugh - tered, lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we for - get thee;



Text: James W. Johnson, 1871–1938 Music: LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING, J. Rosamond Johnson, 1873–1954

## 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:* God of grace, **hear our prayer.** 

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

The assembly is seated.

Offering

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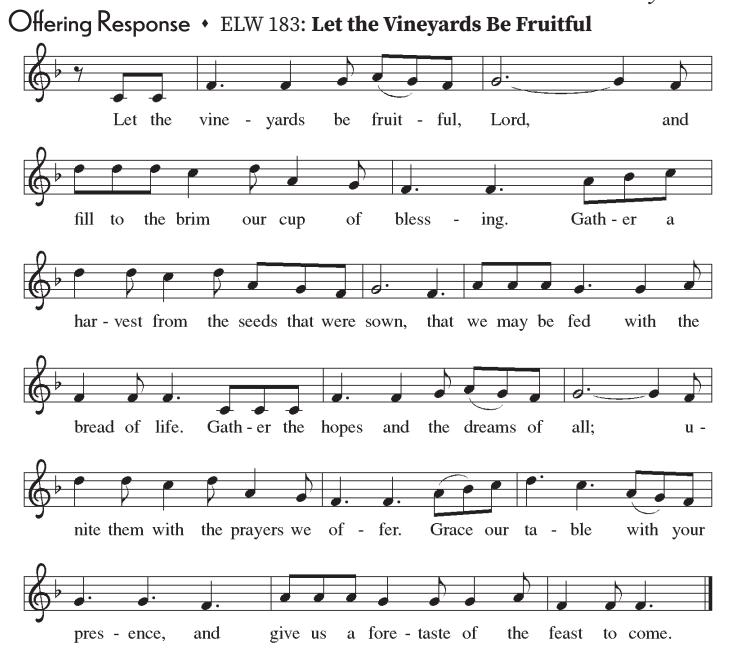


8 a.m. "Keep Your Lamps" –spiritual arr. Andre Thomas Augustana Vocal Ensemble

> Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh. Children don't get weary 'til your work is done. Christian journey soon be over, the time is drawing nigh. Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh.

10:30 a.m. "The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee" – Jean Berger Chancel Choir
The eyes of all wait upon thee; and thou givest them their meat in due season. Thou openest thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing. The eyes of all wait upon thee, wait upon thee. –Psalm 145:15, 16

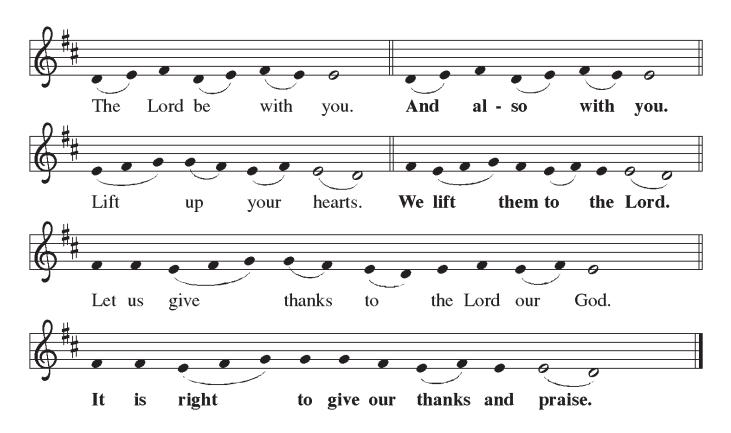
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## Offertory Prayer

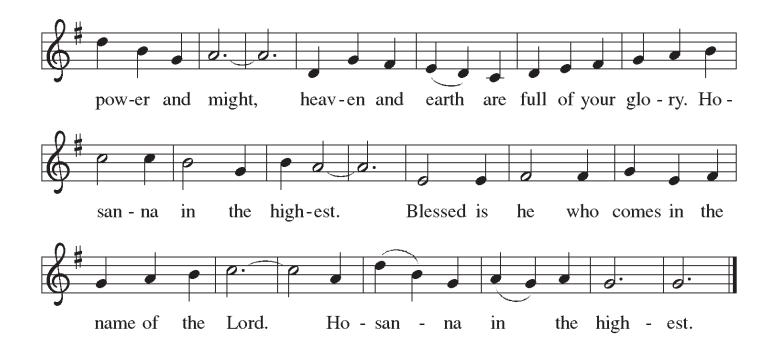
God of all goodness, generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving



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:





## Eucharistic Prayer

Gracious God, in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ to share our fragile humanity.

Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection

you open the path from brokenness to health,

from fear to trust, from pride and conceit to reverence for you.

Rejected by a world that could not bear the Gospel of life,

Jesus knew death was near.

His head anointed for burial by an unknown woman,

Jesus gathered together those who loved him.

He took bread, gave thanks to you,

broke it and gave it to his friends,

saying, "Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave you thanks,

and said "Drink this all of you,

this is my blood of the new covenant

which is shed for you and for many.

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

And now we gather at this table in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love, and to proclaim our faith.

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

Breathe your Holy Spirit, the wisdom of the universe, upon these gifts that we bring to you: this bread, this cup, ourselves, our souls and bodies, that we may be signs of your love for all the world and ministers of your transforming purpose.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, Creator of all, and we bless your holy name forever. **Amen.** 

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

## Lord's Prayer

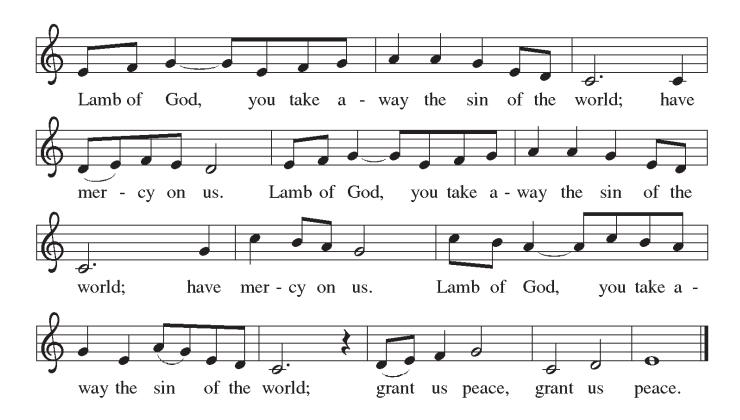
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the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



8 a.m. "The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee" –Jean Berger Augustana Vocal Ensemble

The eyes of all wait upon thee;

and thou givest them their meat in due season.

Thou openest thine hand,

and satisfiest the desire of every living thing.

The eyes of all wait upon thee, wait upon thee.

-Psalm 145:15,16

10:30 a.m. "Meditation in G Major" –Sandra Eithun Chancel Handbells

## 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

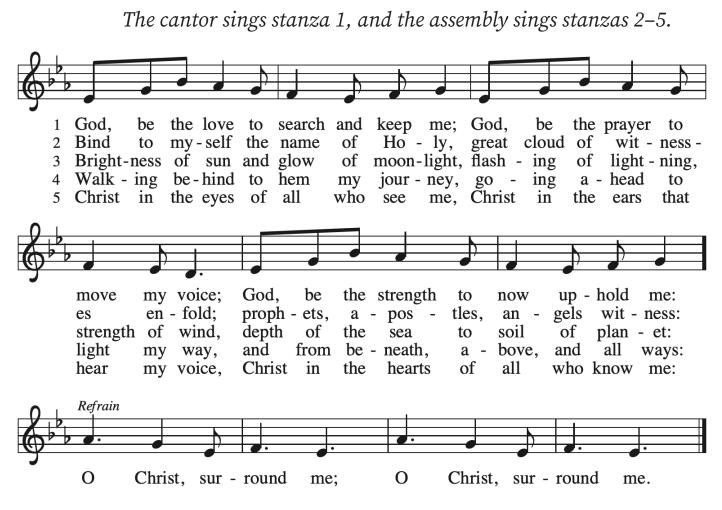
Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet. Sustain us on the journey, strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way. Amen.

Blessing May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service, give you reason to rejoice and be glad!
 The blessing of God, Sovereign, ★ Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always.
 Amen.

10:30 a.m. During the Sending Hymn, please turn and face the processional cross as it leaves the sanctuary, facing the back of the sanctuary for the dismissal.

### Sending Hymn • ACS 1024: God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me

**GREEN TYLER** 



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### Dismissal Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

**Postlude** "Trumpet Tune" –Henry Kihlken You are welcome to sit by the organ console during the postlude.



# 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.
- Hearing assistance headphones are available for worship in the sanctuary. Ask an usher for an easy-to-use device for enhanced listening during 10:30 a.m. worship.
- You are welcome to have your water bottles with you during worship.
- 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.
- Faith Formation for all children and youth is available Sundays, 9:30–10:15 a.m., in the education building. Adult Forum is offered 9:15–10:15 a.m.
- Secure online gifts may be made through the <u>Giving page at Augustana's website</u>, <u>augustanadenver.org</u>. You can also text message your offering to 303-653-9592.
- Restrooms and water stations 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.
- 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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