



Thanksgiving Eve
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Augustana Lutheran Church welcomes you to this special Thanksgiving worship service. Following worship, the celebration continues for everyone! All are welcome downstairs to Fellowship Hall for a bite of pie at the 44th Annual Pie Fest.

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 ♦ “Processional On A Theme of Handel” –David Lasky
Tim Libby, trumpet

Welcome

Please bring your canned goods forward during the hymn
and place them on the stairs to the communion altar.

Let an usher know if you need assistance.

The assembly stands.

Opening Hymn and Procession of Canned Food • ELW 681: We Plow the Fields and Scatter

WIR PFLÜGEN

1 We plow the fields and scat - ter the good seed on the land,
2 You on - ly are the mak - er of all things near and far.
3 We thank you, our cre - a - tor, for all things bright and good,

but it is fed and wa - tered by God's al - might - y hand,
You paint the way - side flow - er, you light the eve - ning star.
the seed - time and the har - vest, our life, our health, our food.

who sends the snow in win - ter, the warmth to swell the grain,
The winds and waves o - bey you, by you the birds are fed;
No gifts have we to of - fer for all your love im - parts,

the breez - es and the sun - shine, and soft re - fresh - ing rain.
much more to us, your chil - dren, you give our dai - ly bread.
but what you most would trea - sure—our hum - ble, thank - ful hearts.

The musical score consists of four systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is two sharps (F# and C#), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line of each system.

Refrain

All good gifts a - round us are sent from heav'n a - bove.

We thank you, Lord, we thank you, Lord, for all your love.

Text: Matthias Claudius, 1740–1815; tr. Jane M. Campbell, 1817–1878, alt.
 Music: WIR PFLÜGEN, Johann A. P. Schulz, 1747–1800

Prayer

Let us pray.

Almighty God, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

The assembly is seated.

First Reading ♦ Exodus 15:20–21a

A reading from Exodus.

²⁰Then the prophet Miriam, Aaron's sister, took a tambourine in her hand; and all the women went out after her with tambourines and with dancing. ²¹And Miriam sang to them: "Sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously."

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

Psalm 65

PH 200: **To Bless the Earth**

CHRISTUS, DER IST MEIN LEBEN

The Psalter, 1912; alt.

Melchior Vulpus, 1609

1. To bless the earth God sends us From heaven's a - bun-dant store
2. The seed by God pro - vid - ed Is sown o'er hill and plain,
3. God crowns the year with good - ness, The earth God's mer - cy fills,
4. With grain the fields are cov - ered, The flocks in pas-tures graze;

The wa - ters of the spring - time, En - rich - ing it once more.
And then come gen - tle show - ers To bless the spring - ing grain.
The wil - der - ness is fruit - ful, And joy - ful are the hills.
All na - ture joins in sing - ing A joy - ful song of praise.

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The lyrics are printed below the vocal line.

Second Reading ♦ Colossians 3:14-17

A reading from Colossians.

¹⁴Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. ¹⁷And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

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

Anthem ♦ “All Thy Gifts of Love” –David L. Brunner
Cherub Choir, Choristers, and Cantabile

For food in a world where many walk in hunger,
for peace in a world where many walk in fear,
for friends in a world where many walk alone,
we give you thanks, O God.

For health in a world where many walk in sickness,
for joy in a world where many walk in grief,
for friends in a word where many walk alone,
we give you thanks, O God.

For love in a word where many walk in anger,
for light in a world where many walk in darkness,
friends in a world where many walk alone,
we give you thanks, O God.

For these and all the many things unspoken,
for gifts unknown or, as of yet, unseen.
For these and all thy gifts of love,
we give thee thanks, O God.

–Diocese of Huron and David Brunner

Children’s Sermon

The assembly stands.

Gospel ♦ Matthew 11:25–30

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

²⁵At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

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

The assembly is seated.

Reflection ♦ Pastor Caitlin Trussell

Hymn ♦ ELW 878: **Soli Deo Gloria**

The assembly stands.

SOLI DEO GLORIA

Stanzas 1, 2, 4, 5 - all

Stanza 3 - choir



1 O God of bless - ings, all praise to you! Your love sur -
 2 All praise for proph - ets, through grace in - spired to preach and
 3 All praise for mu - sic, deep gift pro - found, through hands and
 4 All praise for Je - sus, best gift di - vine through word and
 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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Peace

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

The assembly is seated.

*Thank you for your offerings this evening, which will support ELCA
Good Gifts Farms through ELCA World Hunger.*



“In Christ We Come to Offer Thanks” –Thomas Keesecker
Chancel Choir

In Christ we come to offer thanks with mind and voice in harmony,
to praise the ageless God of time for life in this community.

O God of seasons’ ebb and flow: in Christian life, in work and prayer,
in joyful hope we seek your face and daily find you everywhere.

For Faithful Love in ages past, believers holy, kind and strong,
for sacred story, sacred place, we lift our hearts in festive song.

For Gracious Presence with us still, for family, stranger, guest and friend,
for ministry and mission shared: we sing of blessings without end.

Transforming Light of future years, empower us now to run the race,
our hearts expanded to proclaim that all is gift and all is grace.

–Delores Dufner

The assembly stands.

Litany of Thanksgiving

Give thanks to the Lord who is good.

God’s love is everlasting.

Come, let us praise God joyfully.

Let us come to God with thanksgiving.

For the good world;
for things great and small, beautiful and awesome;
for seen and unseen splendors.

Thank you, God.

For human life;
for talking and moving and thinking together;
for common hopes and hardships shared from birth until our dying;

Thank you, God.

For children;
for their energy and curiosity;
for their brave play and startling frankness;
for their sudden sympathies;

Thank you, God.

For the young;
for their high hopes;
for their irreverence toward worn-out values;
for their search for freedom;
for their solemn vows;
Thank you, God.

For growing up and growing old;
for wisdom deepened by experience;
for rest in leisure;
and for time made precious by its passing;
Thank you, God.

For your help in times of doubt and sorrow;
for healing our diseases;
for preserving us in temptation and danger;
Thank you, God.

For the church into which we have been called;
for the good news we receive by Word and Sacrament;
for our life together in the Lord;
We praise you, God.

For your Holy Spirit,
who guides our steps and brings us gifts of faith and love;
who prays in us and prompts our grateful worship;
We praise you, God.

Above all, O God, for your Son Jesus Christ,
who lived and died and lives again as our hope and salvation;
for our hope in him;
and for the joy of serving him;
**We thank and praise you, Eternal God,
for all your goodness to us.**

Give thanks to the Lord, who is good.
God's love is everlasting.

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Hymn • ELW 840: Now Thank We All Our God

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

1 Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices,
2 Oh, may this boun-teous God through all our life be near us,
3 All praise and thanks to God the Fa-ther now be giv-en,

who won-drous things has done, in whom this world re-joice - es;
 with ev - er joy - ful hearts and bless - ed peace to cheer us,
 the Son, and Spir - it blest, who reign in high - est heav - en,

who, from our moth - ers' arms, has blest us on our way
 and keep us all in grace, and guide us when per - plexed,
 the one e - ter - nal God, whom earth and heav'n a - dore;

with count-less gifts of love, and still is ours to - day.
 and free us from all harm in this world and the next.
 for thus it was, is now, and shall be ev - er - more.

Text: Martin Rinkhart, 1586–1649; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878
 Music: NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

Sending Blessing

Postlude

“Now Thank We All Our God” –Sigfrid Karg-Elert

*All are welcome downstairs in Fellowship Hall for
 the 44th Annual Pie Fest.*



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. On either side of the sanctuary there are activity bags for children. Please return the bags when worship is finished. 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 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.
- 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.

Thanksgiving Eve Ministries

Cherub Choir Director:

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Tim Garrington

Trumpet: Tim Libby

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Morgan Levy

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Jordan Ourada

Lance Wheeland

Griffin Brown

Robert Brown

Advent and Christmas at Augustana

Sunday, December 3

Noon Advent Adventure
- Fellowship Hall

Friday, December 8

7 p.m. Augustana Christmas Concert:
"Christmas at Augustana"

Saturday, December 9

9 a.m. Christmas Caroling

Thursday, December 14, Bless the Years

11 a.m. Worship/Communion
- Sanctuary

Noon Catered Christmas Lunch
- Fellowship Hall

Sunday, December 17

10:30 a.m. Faith Formation Christmas
Pageant - Sanctuary

The Nativity of Our Lord

Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24

11 a.m. **Worship/Communion**

3 p.m. **Worship/Communion**

5 p.m. **Worship/Communion**

7 p.m. **Worship/Communion**

(All services are in the sanctuary. Prelude begins 20 minutes prior to each service.)

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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