

Welcome to the season of Epiphany at Augustana! Epiphany comes from a Greek word meaning "revelation" or "appearance" and celebrates Christ being revealed to the Gentiles. The Gospel lessons during this season, which follows Christmas and ends before Ash Wednesday, begin and end with the Divine voice claiming and affirming Jesus as "Beloved" and God's very own. Our hope and prayer are that you, too, will understand your calling as a beloved child of God!

10:30 a.m. worship is livestreamed weekly especially to include our home-centered members who cannot join us in person. Given recent advances in artificial intelligence (A.I.) on the Internet, children's faces are protected from being livestreamed as is everyone going forward for Holy Communion.

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 WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET" -Paul Manz

Confession and Forgiveness

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 creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name. **Amen.**

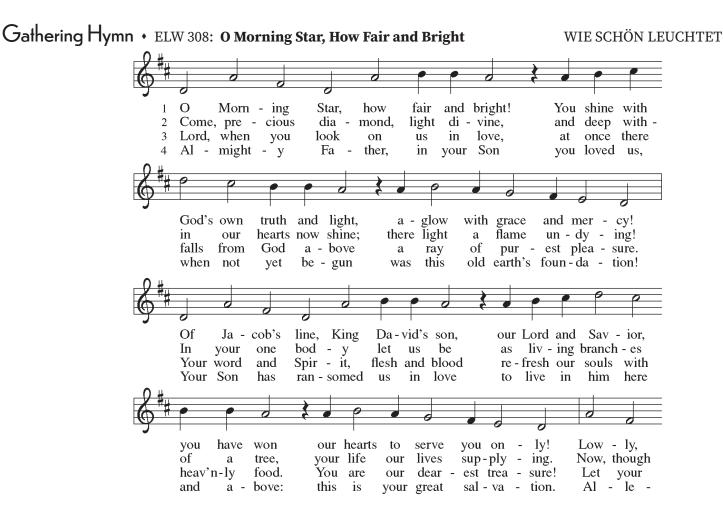
Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

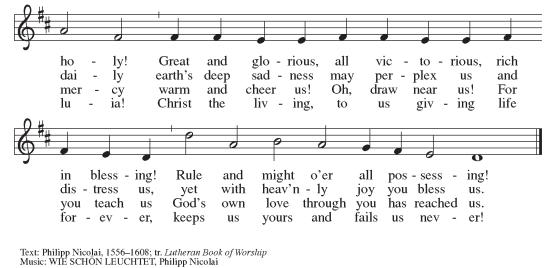
Silence is kept for reflection. The people may kneel.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children. We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected. We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome. Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.

Rejoice in this good news: In ♥ Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven children of God. **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.





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Greefing 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.**

Prayer of the Day

O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve each other, our community, and the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

First Reading • 1 Samuel 3:1–10

A reading from First Samuel.

¹Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

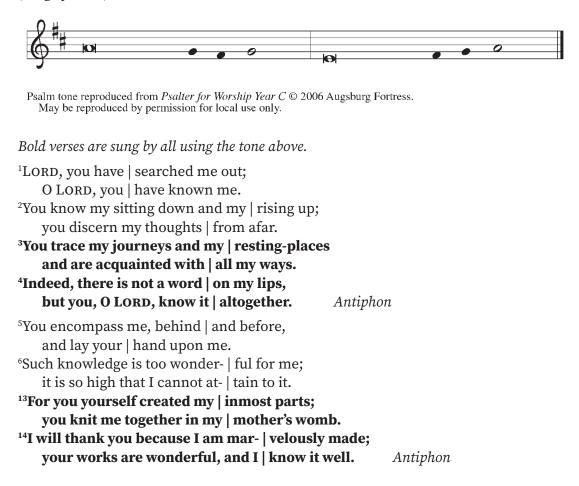
²At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; ³the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. ⁴Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" ⁵and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. ⁶The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." ⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm • Psalm 139:1–6, 13–14

Antiphon: (sung by choir) You have searched me out and known me.



Second Reading Romans 6:1b-5

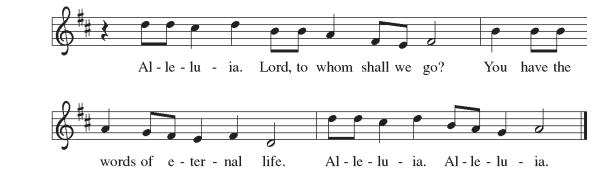
A reading from Romans.

^{1b}Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.





Gospel Matthew 10:39–11:1

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

[Jesus said to his twelve disciples:] ³⁹"Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

⁴⁰"Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; ⁴²and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple — truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

^{11:1}Now when Jesus had finished instructing his twelve disciples, he went on from there to teach and proclaim his message in their cities.

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

The assembly is seated.

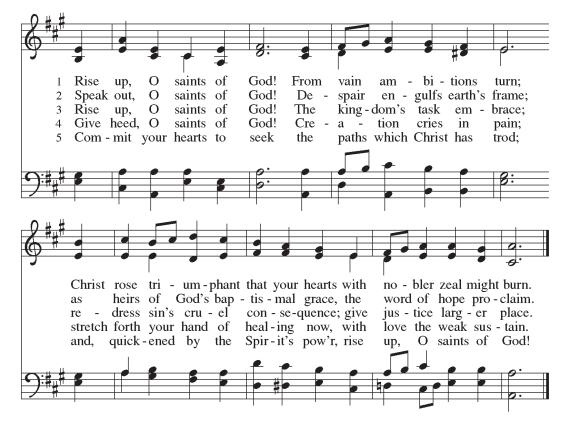
Children's Sermon • 10:30 a.m.

Sermon • "Conquering Self-Centeredness"

Sermon delivered at Dexter Avenue Baptist Church Professor Harry Waters, Jr., presenter

(Sermon excerpted from https://kinginstitute.sites.stanford.edu/king-papers/documents/ conquering-self-centeredness-sermon-delivered-dexter-avenue-baptist-church)

Hymn of the Day • ELW 669: Rise Up, O Saints of God!



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Prayers of Intercession

After each petition: God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

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

The assembly is seated.

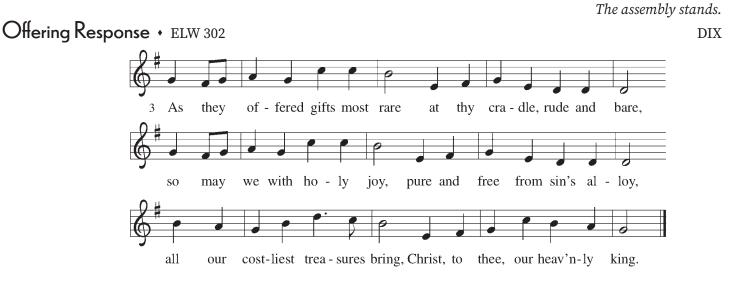
Offering

Our offering helps to support the work of Lutheran Advocacy Ministry in Colorado. They advocate with legislators and government to uphold our nation's ideal that "all are created equal" by God.



"Ye Followers of the Lamb" –arr. Edwin Earle Ferguson 8 a.m. Augustana Vocal Ensemble | 10:30 a.m. Chancel Choir

O Brethren ain't you happy, ye followers of the Lamb. Sing on, dance on, followers of Emmanuel, sing on, dance on, ye followers of the Lamb. O Sisters ain't you happy, ye followers of the Lamb. Sing on, dance on, followers of Emmanuel, sing on, dance on, ye followers of the Lamb. I'm glad I am a Christian, ye followers of the Lamb. Sing on, dance on, followers of Emmanuel, sing on, dance on, ye followers of Emmanuel, sing on, dance on, ye followers of the Lamb.



Text: William C. Dix, 1837–1898, alt. Music: DIX, Conrad Kocher, 1786–1872

Offertory Prayer

Blessed are you, **O God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide** us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light. 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.

Words of Institution

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.

Lord's Prayer

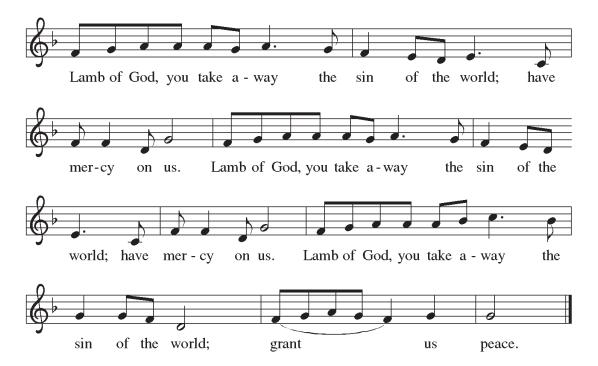
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the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

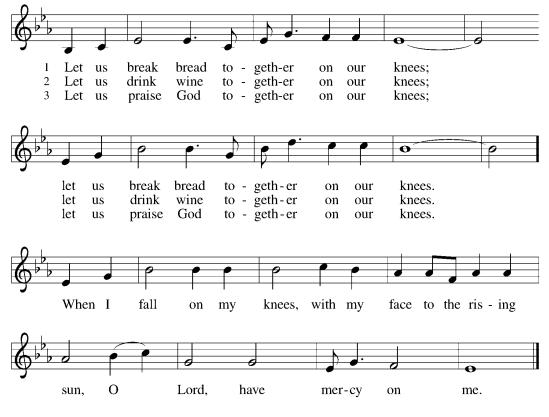
The assembly is seated.

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.





Text: African American spiritual

Music: BREAK BREAD TOGETHER, African American spiritual

"Confitemini Domino" –Alessandro Costantini Augustana Vocal Ensemble

Confitemini Domino, quoniam bonus, quoniam in sæculum misericordia ejus. *Give thanks to the lord, for he is good: for his mercy shall last forever. Alleluia.*

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, we give you thanks for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Blessing God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, ★ bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever. 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.





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

Dismissal Go in

Go in peace and hope. Thanks be to God.

Postlude "WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET" –August Reinhard You are welcome to sit by the organ console during the postlude.

Candles for the Christ Chapel altar lamp this month are given in memory of Viola Munson by her granddaughter, Karen Yeager.

Music Notes

Today's sending song, "Lift Every Voice and Sing," is published in Lutheran hymnals, such as the (green) *Lutheran Book of Worship*, 1978, the (red) *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*, 2006, and has been sung with gusto in many congregations.

"Lift Every Voice and Sing" became prevalent in 2020 during the outcries of continued hurt and harm against our African American neighbors. The song was written during a crucial time in the history of the United States of America as Jim Crow laws were being passed and African Americans were struggling during the Reconstruction Era following the Civil War. It was first performed in 1900, at a segregated school in Jacksonville, Florida, by a group of 500 children celebrating the anniversary of the birth of President Lincoln.

The lyrics were written as a poem by James Weldon Johnson (1871–1938) and set to music by his brother, John Rosamond Johnson (1873–1954). Written from the context of African Americans in the late 19th century, the hymn is a prayer of thanksgiving as well as a prayer for faithfulness and freedom, with imagery which evokes the biblical Exodus from slavery to the freedom of the "promised land." This song has been featured in 41 Christian hymnals.

The first verse opens with words that command optimism, praise and freedom. The powerful words of hope and faithfulness, as well as the haunting tune, has helped "Lift Every Voice and Sing" expand around the globe.



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 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.
- 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.

Worship Ministries

Acolyte:

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10:30 a.m.	Finley Zumwalt
Altar Guild:	
January	Tracy Lutz
Bus Driver:	
	Michael Graham
Communion Bread:	
January	Ron Glusenkamp
Communion:	
8 a.m.	Tim & Laura Libby
10:30 a.m.	Heather Nelson
	Kathi Schmidt
Communion Linens:	
January	Judy Nyquist
Crucifer:	
10:30 a.m.	Max Johnson
Greeters:	
10:30 a.m.	Christopher Orwig
	Susan Talbot
Library:	
	Katherin Howell
Prayers:	
	Kisanet Yohannes
Readers:	
8 a.m.	Kirsten Lamphere
10:30 a.m.	Elaine Malzahn
Ushers:	
8 a.m.	AJ Levy
	Morgan Levy
10:30 a.m.	Will Crook
	Bill Crossen
	James Kastens
	Craig Tamminga
	Miles Tamminga
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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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