

# The Holy Trinity May 26, 2024 | 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 10



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Welcome to Holy Trinity Sunday! When we say God is the triune God, we are saying something about who God is beyond, before, and after the universe: that there is community within God. Our experience of this is reflected in the Apostle Paul's words today in the scripture reading from the book of Romans. When we pray to God as Jesus prayed to his Abba (an everyday, intimate parental address), the Spirit prays within us, creating between us and God the same relationship Jesus has with the one who sent him.

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 Kingsfold" -Andrew Peters

Welcome

Mission Moment • Paul Blanchard, Property Committee

## 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. "Manna" is a reference to the "bread from heaven" that sustained the Jewish people (Israelites), led by Moses through the wilderness after their escape from slavery in Egypt (Exodus 16:1–36).

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ♣ one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles,

the God of mercy. Amen.

Drawn to Christ and celebrating God's grace, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection. The people may kneel.

God, our strength, help us in our fear. It is hard to believe there is enough for us, let alone enough to share with other people. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trust in you. We run from your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Guide us with the words of life, and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is more than enough. Through Jesus, ♣ the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **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 413: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty NICAEA



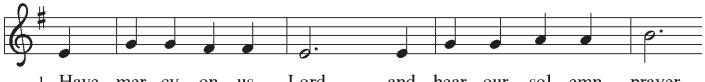
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## Greeting

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.** 

## Kyrie

#### stanza 1: Cantor ◆ stanzas 2-3: All



- 1 Have mer-cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol-emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer-cy on us, Christ, and wash a way our sin.
- 3 Have mer-cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de part.



We come to hear your liv-ing word; it saves us from de-spair. Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be-gin. Re-new us with your sav-ing pow'r; cre-ate in us new hearts!

## Canticle of Praise



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.

## Prayer of the Day

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The assembly is seated.

### First Reading • Isaiah 6:1-8

A reading from Isaiah.

<sup>1</sup>In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

<sup>4</sup>The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

<sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup>The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." <sup>8</sup>Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm ◆ "Psalm 29" –Norman L. Warren

8 a.m. Augustana Vocal Ensemble • 10:30 a.m. Chancel Choir The God of heaven thunders, whose voice in cadent echoes resounds above the waters, and all the world sings, "Glory!" The desert writhes in tempest, wind whips the trees to fury, the lightning splits the forest and flame diffuses glory! The mighty God eternal is to the throne ascended, and we who are God's people, within these walls cry, "Glory!" –Michael A. Perry

## Second Reading • Romans 8:12-17

A reading from Romans.

<sup>12</sup>Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—<sup>13</sup>for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" <sup>16</sup>it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands.

## Gospel Acclamation



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with -in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

## Gospel • John 3:1-17

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

<sup>1</sup>Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" 5Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. 6What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" 10 Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

11"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony.

12If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? 13No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended

from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup>"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

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

The assembly is seated.

Children's Sermon • 10:30 a.m.

Sermon • Pastor Gail Mundt

The assembly stands.

## Hymn of the Day • ELW 412: Come, Join the Dance of Trinity KINGSFOLD



- 1 Come, join the dance of Trin i ty, be fore all worlds be gun-
- 2 Come, see the face of Trin-i-ty, new-born in Beth-le-hem;
- 3 Come, speak a loud of Trin i ty, as wind and tongues of flame
- 4 With in the dance of Trin i ty, be fore all worlds be gun,



Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son. the of the Three, the in - ter-weav-ing blood-ied by a crown of thorns out side Je - ru - sa - lem. then peo - ple free Pen - te - cost to tell the Say - ior's name. set at sing the prais - es of the Three, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, we



u - ni - verse of space and time did The not a - rise by chance, The Trin - i - ty is meant for hu - man flesh and bone; and death, our necks have worn it smooth; We know the yoke of sin in - ter-weave, by Let voic - es rise and love and hope set



but the Three, in love and hope, made room with in their dance. when fear con-fines the dance in death, God rolls a - way the stone. weight and woe that are free to move! the world of we this life: the dance of shape in song this joy, Trin - i - ty. to

Text: Richard Leach, b. 1953

Music: KINGSFOLD, English folk tune

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## A Litany of Farewell

Leader: A church community is constantly changing. Loved ones come to the end of their lives; new lives are born and baptized into the faith community. Individuals and families come and go throughout our life together. It is important for us to recognize and mark well these times of passage, these endings and beginnings. Today we bid farewell and godspeed to Pastor Gail Mundt who has served us as Bridge Pastor during the Interim for the past twelve months, whose time with us is drawing to a close.

Pastor: I thank you, the people of Augustana Lutheran Church, both members and friends, for the love, kindness, and support you have shown me these past months. I thank you for accepting my leadership and receiving me as pastor in your midst for this time of transition. I recall with joy the many things we have been able to accomplish together, and with sadness the things we were not able to do. I ask your understanding and your

forgiveness for the mistakes I have made and for the times I may have let you down.

#### Congregation:

We receive with thankfulness the ministry you have offered us in the time we have shared. We accept that you now leave us, trusting that God goes with you. Your presence among us will not be forgotten. We are grateful for the time you have been with us and ask your forgiveness for our own shortcomings and our sometimes-flagging faith.

Pastor: I forgive you your failures, as Christ has forgiven me, and graciously accept your gratitude, trusting that our time together and our parting are pleasing to the Christ we are called to serve.

Leader: Do you, the members and friends of Augustana Lutheran Church, now release Pastor Gail from the duties of Bridge Pastor?

#### Congregation:

#### We do, with the help of God.

Leader: Do you, Pastor Gail, release Augustana Lutheran Church from turning to you and relying on you to serve them as Pastor?

Pastor: I do, with the help of God.

Leader: Do you, Pastor Gail, offer your encouragement for the continued ministry here at Augustana?

Pastor: I do and I ask God to help them.

Leader: Let us pray.

#### Congregation:

O God of all creation, whose love for all is trustworthy and true, help each of us to trust the future which rests in your care. During our time together we have experienced laughter and tears, hopes and disappointments. Guide us as we carry these cherished memories with us in new directions until that time when we are completely one with you and with one another. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Leader: Go now, Pastor Gail, with our blessing, surrounded by our love and led by the promises of God, the presence of Christ Jesus, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation:

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

More than 700 ELCA pastors serve as chaplains in all branches of the military and at VA Hospitals. On this Memorial Day weekend, we give thanks for their work and for your giving which supports their ministries.



"Praise Ye the Triune God" –Wesley Hanson 8 a.m. Augustana Vocal Ensemble 10:30 a.m. Chancel Choir

Praise ye the Father for His loving kindness, Tenderly cares He for His erring children. Praise Him, ye angels, praise Him in the heavens; praise ye Jehovah.

Praise ye the Savior, great is His compassion; Graciously cares He for His chosen people. Young men and women, aging folk and children praise ye the Savior.

Praise ye the Spirit, Comforter of Israel, Sent of the Father and the Son to bless us. Praise ye the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; praise ye the Triune God.

The assembly stands.

## Offering Response • ELW 691: Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring BARBARA ALLEN



- 1 Ac cept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to place up on your ta ble.
- 2 The vines were plant ed, seeds were sown. They grew in your good plea-sure.



We do not wor - ship as we ought but on - ly as we're a - ble. What once was com - mon, dail - y food be-comes a ho - ly trea-sure.

Text: Beth Bergeron Folkemer, b. 1957 Music: BARBARA ALLEN, English folk tune

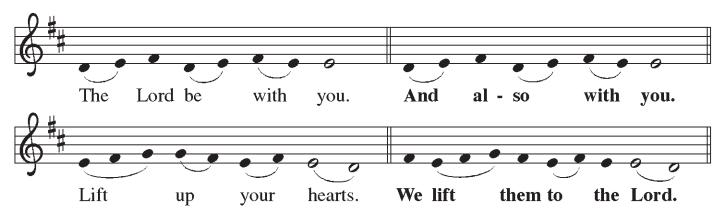
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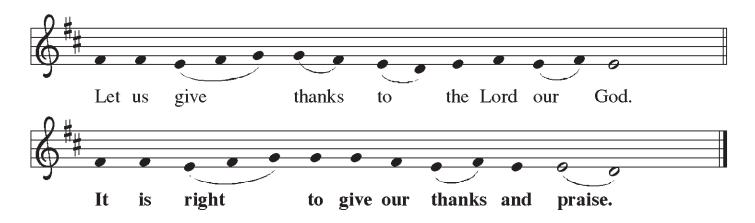
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## Offertory Prayer

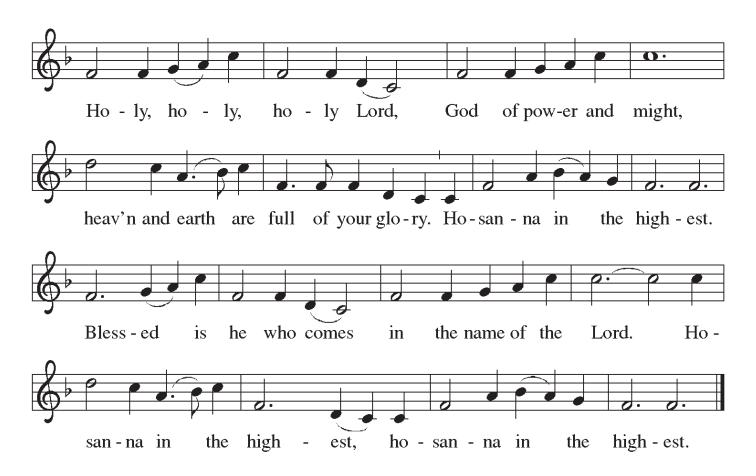
Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

## 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 Prayers**

God of our struggles and celebrations, you have brought us this far along the way.

You stayed with us in times of suffering, and guided us on the path of love and light.

In every age you sent prophets to make known your loving will for all humanity.

In the fullness of time, you sent Jesus,

to preach good news to the afflicted,

to break bread with the outcast and despised, and to liberate those in bondage to prejudice and sin.

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 all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Send your Holy Spirit, our advocate, to fill the hearts of all who share this bread and cup with courage, love and wisdom to seek justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you.

Join our prayers and praise with your prophets and people of every age, that, rejoicing in the hope of the resurrection, we might live in the freedom of your Son.
Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, gracious God, now and forever.

Amen.

## Lord's Prayer

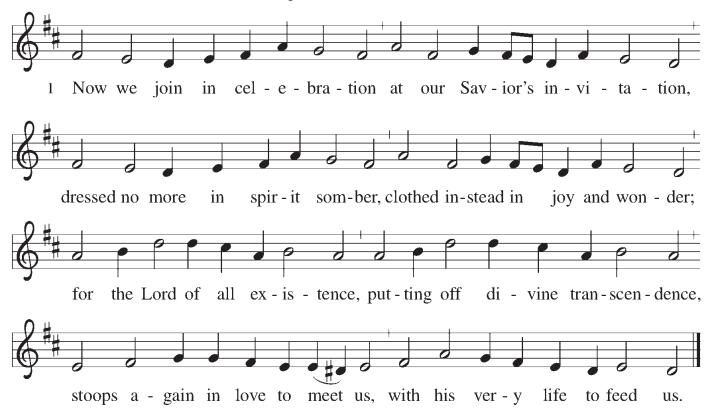
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the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

#### **ELW 462: Now We Join in Celebration**



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"O Salutarius" –Edward Elgar Augustana Vocal Ensemble

O salutaris Hostia, quae caeli pandis ostium:

O saving Victim, who expandest the door of heaven,
bella premunt hostilia, da robur, fer auxilium.

hostile armies press, give strength; bear aid.

Uni trinoque Domino sit sempiterna gloria,

To the One and Triune Lord, may there be everlasting glory;

Qui vitam sine termino nobis donet in patria. Amen.

who life without end gives us in the homeland. Amen.

## 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

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own heart. In your name we pray. Amen.

Blessing

The blessing of God, whose Light transforms our hearts and sustains us, ♣ be upon you now 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: Lloyd Stone, 1912–1993, sts. 1–2; Georgia Harkness, 1891–1974, st. 3

Music: FINLANDIA, Jean Sibelius, 1865–1957

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Dismissal Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. Thanks be to God.

Postlude • "Finlandia" – Jean Sibelius, arr. H.A. Fricker

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

Flowers for worship today are given in honor of the baptismal birthday of Reina VanderWel by her family.



#### 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.
- 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.

- Accessible seating for people with assistive health and mobility devices is available on the south side of the sanctuary.
- 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 (<u>augustanadenver.org</u>) for links, downloadable worship resources, and past worship recordings.

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8 a.m. Pat Vaillancourt 10:30 a.m. Lance Wheeland Heather Nelson

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May Kay Cruson

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Shanna VanderWel

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8 a.m. Laura Libby

10:30 a.m. Christelle Menth

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8 a.m. Rob Trussell

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10:30 a.m. Karen Bourg

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