



Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

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*Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 10*

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***Welcome to Worship*** on these Sundays after the festival of Pentecost, the birth of the church in the first century. Our worship themes include being a church who loves our neighbors as ourselves, as we love God who first loved us and showed us how to love by the example of Jesus.

*In the summer months, we welcome many visitors who find more time for church. Please fill out the worship slips on the front of your bulletin and let us know your thoughts and questions by putting the worship slip in the offering plate as it's passed around. We also enjoy our Summer Choir that includes anyone who wants to sing that Sunday with a practice before worship begins, and Wednesday evening S'more Fun and Worship in Augustana's park downhill from the church building. Come and connect with others as we enjoy our summer together!*

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*Our 10:30 a.m. worship is livestreamed weekly, especially to include our home-centered members who cannot join us in person. Celebrating our public worship, we also protect our kids in real time on livestream by redirecting the cameras to other views during children's time and 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 MICHAEL” –Robert Below

Welcome

♦ GATHERING ♦

*The assembly stands.*

## Confession and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Celebrating God’s grace, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection. The people may kneel.*

Merciful God, **you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from your abundant life. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in following your way. In your mercy, forgive us. Break our bonds and show us the path of life. Amen.**

You are God’s beloved children. Through ✠ Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven, by the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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.*

# Gathering Hymn ♦ ELW 722: O Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate

ELLACOMBE



1 O Christ, your heart, com - pas - sion - ate, bore ev - 'ry hu - man pain.  
2 As once you wel - comed those cast down and healed the sick, the blind,  
3 O Christ, cre - ate new hearts in us that beat in time with yours,  
4 O Love that made the dis - tant stars, yet marks the spar - row's fall,



Its beat - ing was the pulse of God; its breadth, God's vast do - main.  
so may all bruised and bro - ken lives through us your help still find.  
that, joined by faith with your great heart, be - come love's o - pen doors.  
whose arms stretched wide up - on a cross em - brace and bear us all:



The heart of God, the heart of Christ com - bined in per - fect rhyme  
Lord, join our hearts with those who weep that none may weep a - lone,  
We are your bod - y, ris - en Christ; our hearts, our hands we yield  
come, make your church a ser - vant church that walks your ser - vant ways,



to write God's love in hu - man deeds, e - ter - ni - ty in time.  
and help us bear an - oth - er's pain as though it were our own.  
that through our life and min - is - try your love may be re - vealed.  
whose deeds of love rise up to you, a sac - ri - fice of praise!

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., 1923–2007

Music: ELLACOMBE, German melody, 18th cent.; adapt. X. L. Hartig, *Melodien zum Mainzer Gesangbuche*, 1833

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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.**

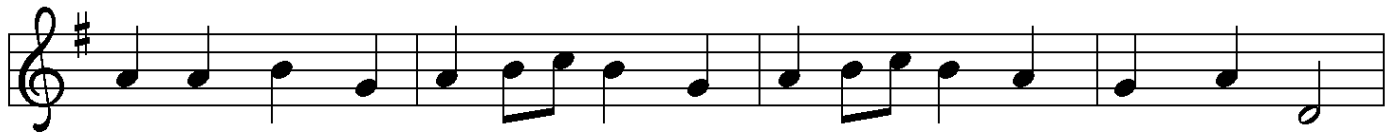
## Canticle of Praise



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.



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

Let us pray.

Benevolent God, **you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*The assembly is seated.*

Children's Time ♦ 10:30 a.m.

**First Reading** ◆ Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12–14, 2:18–21

A reading from Ecclesiastes.

<sup>2</sup> Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher,  
vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

<sup>12</sup> I, the Teacher, was king over Israel in Jerusalem. <sup>13</sup> I applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to humans to be busy with. <sup>14</sup> I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun, and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

<sup>2:18</sup> I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to my successor, <sup>19</sup> and who knows whether he will be wise or foolish? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. <sup>20</sup> So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, <sup>21</sup> because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil.

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

**Psalm** ◆ Psalm 49:1–9

*Read responsively.*

<sup>1</sup> Hear this, all you peoples;  
give ear, all you who dwell in the world,

<sup>2</sup> you of high degree and low,  
rich and poor together.

<sup>3</sup> **My mouth shall speak of wisdom,**

**and my heart shall meditate on understanding.**

**<sup>4</sup> I will incline my ear to a proverb  
and set forth my riddle upon the harp.**

<sup>5</sup> Why should I be afraid in evil days,  
when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,  
<sup>6</sup> the wickedness of those who put their trust  
in their own prowess,  
and boast of their great riches?

**<sup>7</sup> One can never redeem another,  
or give to God the ransom for another's life;**

**<sup>8</sup> for the ransom of a life is so great  
that there would never be enough to pay it,**

**<sup>9</sup> in order to live forever and ever  
and never see the grave.**

## Second Reading ♦ Colossians 3:1-4, 9-11

A reading from Colossians.

<sup>1</sup> So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup> Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup> for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup> When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

<sup>9</sup> Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices <sup>10</sup> and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. <sup>11</sup> In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, enslaved and free, but Christ is all and in all!

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

## 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 ♦ Luke 12:13–21

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

<sup>13</sup> Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” <sup>14</sup> But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” <sup>15</sup> And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” <sup>16</sup> Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. <sup>17</sup> And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ <sup>18</sup> Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. <sup>19</sup> And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ <sup>20</sup> But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your

life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' <sup>21</sup> So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

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

*The assembly is seated.*

Sermon ♦ Pastor Karen Ullestad

*Silence for reflection.*

*The assembly stands.*

Hymn of the Day ♦ ELW 757: **All My Hope on God is Founded** MICHAEL



1 All my hope on God is found - ed who will all my  
2 Mor - tal pride and earth - ly glo - ry, sword and crown be -  
3 Great thy good - ness, e'er en - dur - ing; deep thy wis - dom,  
4 Still from earth to God e - ter - nal sac - ri - fice of



trust re - new, who through change and chance will guide me,  
tray our trust; ' what with care and toil we fash - ion,  
pass - ing thought; splen - dor, light, and life at - tend thee,  
praise be done, high a - bove all prais - es prais - ing



on - ly good and on - ly true. God un - known,  
tow'r and tem - ple, fall to dust. But thy pow'r,  
beau - ty spring - ing out of naught. Ev - er - more  
for the gift of God's own Son. Christ doth call

God a - lone, call my heart to be thine own.  
hour by hour, is my tem - ple and my tow'r.  
from thy store new-born worlds rise and a - dore.  
one and all: ye who fol - low shall not fall.

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650–1680; para. Robert Bridges, 1844–1930, alt.  
Music: Herbert Howells, 1892–1983  
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MICHAEL  
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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:*

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

## Peace

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

*You are invited to greet one another with these words: “Peace be with you.” You may additionally shake hands or place your hand over your heart with a small bow to your neighbor.*

*The assembly is seated.*

◆ MEAL ◆

## Offering

*Thank you for your offerings which allow Augustana to be generous in sharing its facilities, hospitality, and welcome to community groups such as Pedalheads, Colorado Choir, Swedish Club, Wednesday Weavers and others!*



“My Source of Joy” –Joseph Haydn

Art Van Dyck, solo

I will never seek in this earthly life all the riches  
that seem so alluring.

I shall find my source of joy daily singing to my God.

I shall always sing of God’s boundless love;  
to my God give endless thanksgiving.

Till I die, my joy shall be daily singing to my God.

## 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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## Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Creator God, **in your generosity you bring forth an abundant harvest and all that is good. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

## Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Eucharistic Prayer

Holy God, gracious creator,  
Endless is your mercy and eternal your steadfast love.  
You have filled all creation with light and life;  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

We praise you for the grace shown to your people in every age,  
Including now the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ,  
who proclaimed your good news in word and deed,  
in his ministry on earth,  
and through the mystery of his death and resurrection.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,  
we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Join our prayers with those of your servants  
of every time and every place,  
and unite them with the prayers of Jesus Christ  
who prays for us;

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.**

## Holy Communion

*The assembly is seated.*

*We trust that the love of Christ is truly present in the bread and wine of holy communion. All adults, and children of any age with parental permission, are welcome to commune—both those present in person and on livestream.*

- *The ushers will invite you into the center aisle to receive gluten-free bread from the server.*
- *Receive wine (darker color) or grape juice (lighter color) from the server, place the empty cup in the basket or empty tray, and return to your seat.*
- *If you desire a blessing rather than communion, please approach the servers with your arms crossed.*
- *If you are unable to come forward for communion, please inform an usher so that communion may be brought to you in the pew.*
- *When you return to your pew you are invited to kneel or sit as you continue to pray and reflect.*

## Invitation to Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

## Lamb of God



- 1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
- 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
- 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

## Communion Solo

“Be Thou Still” –Johann W. Franck

Art Van Dyck, solo

Be thou still and learn of God.

He will guide thy daily living, when in faith ye turn to Him.

Therefore daily thanks be giving.

He will all thy hopes fulfill. Be thou still.

In this quiet learn of His will. Be thou still.

Be thou still, though dark thy way.

Soon the light of love will brighten,

as in peace ye dwell each day.

Soon the weight of sin will lighten. Seek to do thy Father’s will.

Be thou still.

In this quiet learn of His will. Be thou still.

## 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

Let us pray.

Holy God who is love, you gathered us to your  
table where we feasted on your grace. Send  
us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as  
ourselves, to love our enemies and pray for  
them, and to proclaim your love in Jesus'  
name. **Amen.**

◆ SENDING ◆

## Blessing

The love of God abound in you;  
the grace of Jesus Christ guide you on his way;  
and the power of the Holy Spirit strengthen you and ✠ give you  
peace. **Amen.**

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.*

Sending Hymn ♦ ELW 650: **In Christ There Is No East or West**

MCKEE

1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north,  
 2 In Christ shall true hearts ev-'ry-where their high com-mu-nion find;  
 3 Join hands, dis-ci-ples of the faith, what-e'er your race may be.  
 4 In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north;

but one com-mu-ni-ty of love through-out the whole wide earth.  
 his ser-vice is the gold-en cord close bind-ing hu-man-kind.  
 All chil-dren of the liv-ing God are sure-ly kin to me.  
 all Christ-ly souls are one in him through-out the whole wide earth.

Text: John Oxenham, 1852–1941, alt.

Music: MCKEE, African American spiritual; adapt. Harry T. Burleigh, 1866–1949

**Dismissal** Go in peace. Live in hope. **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** ♦ “Recessional on McKEE” –Dale Wood

*The postlude closes our worship time together. You are welcome to come up to the organ console for a better view, listen from your pew, or leave quietly while others are enjoying the music.*

**Flowers** for worship today are given in memory of our grandmother, Viola Munson, on her birthday by her grandchildren, Don Munson, Karen Yeager and Debbie Dorn.

## 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.
- You are welcome to have your water bottles with you during worship.
- Activity bags for children are available just outside of Christ Chapel. On the south side of the Sanctuary, children are welcome to borrow items from the Worship & Wiggle shelf. Please return the items after worship. 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](http://augustanadenver.org)). You can also text message your offering to 303-653-9592.
- From Christ Chapel, restrooms and water stations are located at the north end of the hallway leading from Christ Chapel. Restrooms and water stations are also located downstairs beneath the west sanctuary 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.
- 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](http://augustanadenver.org)) for links, downloadable worship resources, and past worship recordings.

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August Kelly McCartney

### Communion:

8 a.m. A.J. Levy

10:30 a.m. Brad & Pam Uyemura

### Communion Linens:

August Judy Nyquist

### Crucifer:

10:30 a.m. Amelia Matossian

### Greeters:

10:30 a.m. Nancy Cowee

Renee Gentes

### Livestream Assistants:

Bill Crossen

Charlie Dickinson

### Prayers:

Julie Shellhorn

### Readers:

8 a.m. Karen Bassford

10:30 a.m. Allison Terry

### Ushers:

8 a.m. Jim Gustad

Pat Vaillancourt

10:30 a.m. Jayme Howard

Annie Nessa

Inez Smith

Kathi Schmidt

Brad Uyemura

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