

# *Augustana Lutheran Church*

*2100 New Hampshire Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20009*

## THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 13, 2008

10:30 a.m.

### THE PREPARATION AND ENTRANCE RITE

**Voluntary** Allegro *from* Canonic Sonata No. 1 in G Major G. P. Telemann

*As the bells are rung, the Congregation stands and turns to face the Baptismal Font.*

**Thanksgiving for Baptism** – page 97

**Entrance Hymn, No. 380** Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!

**Apostolic Greeting**

**Kyrie** – Setting Four, page 147

**Canticle** – page 149 This Is the Feast of Victory

**Salutation and Prayer of the Day**



*The Lord be with you. And al - so with you. Let us pray ... A - men.*

God of all power, you called from death our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep. Send us as shepherds to rescue the lost, to heal the injured, and to feed one another with knowledge and understanding; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

*The Congregation is seated.*


# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## First Lesson

Acts 2:42-47

## Psalm 23

*Antiphon sung by all.*



The Lord is my shep - herd, no - thing shall I want:  
He leads me by safe paths, no - thing shall I fear.

## Second Lesson

1 Peter 2:19-25

*The Congregation stands.*

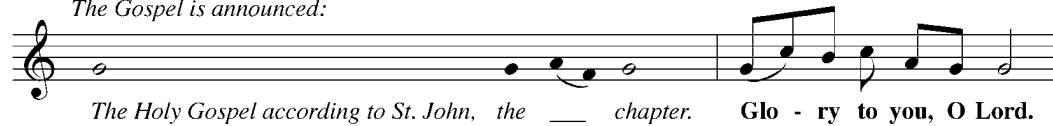
## Gradual

*Sung by the Choir.*

## Holy Gospel

John 10:1-10

*The Gospel is announced:*



The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the \_\_\_ chapter. Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

*After the Gospel is read:*



The Gos - pel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

## Hymn at the Returning Procession, No. 372

Christ Is Arisen

## Sermon

*The Congregation stands.*

## Hymn of the Day, No. 470

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

## Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven;  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary and was made truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen**

## Prayers of the People

*Each petition concludes with one of the following responses.*

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

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### Sharing of Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The Congregation is seated.*

**Anthem, at the Offering**

Alleluia! For Christ the Lord Is Risen

J. S. Bach

*The Congregation stands.*

## Offertory Hymn, No. 382

*Stanza 3.*

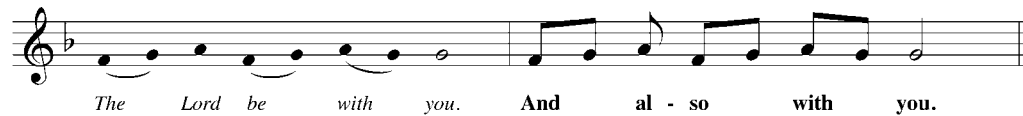
Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!

### Offertory Verse and Prayer

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so will I seek out my sheep. I will bring them out from the peoples, and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

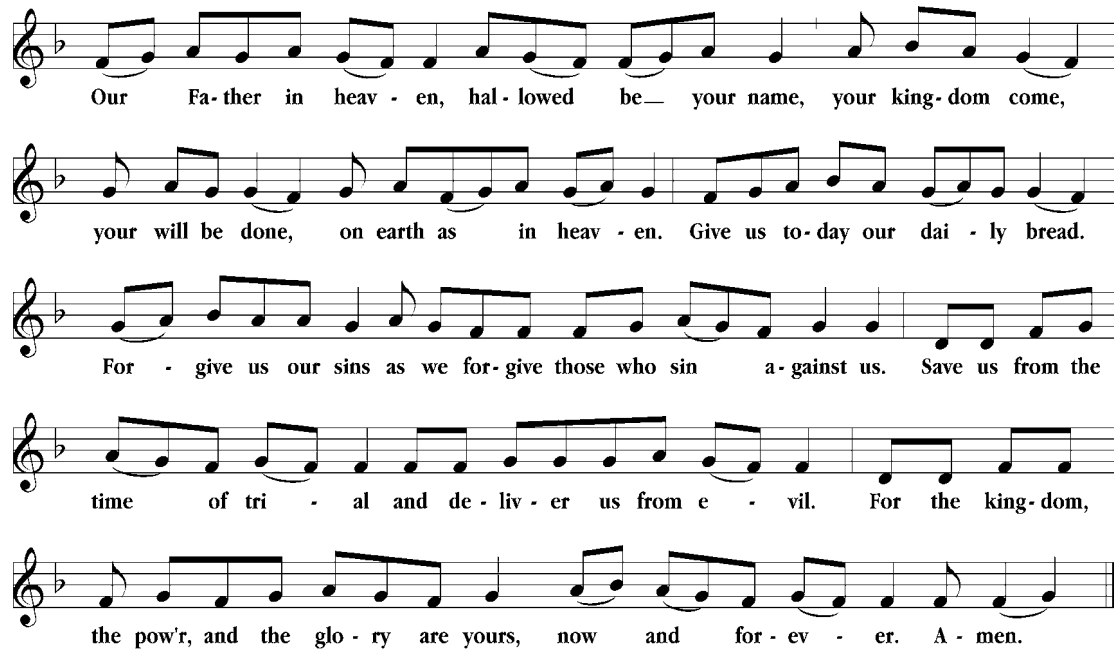
Living God, **in Christ's resurrection you raised up new life for the world. Receive what we offer, that others might know that life through the gifts you give us to use and to share. Amen**

### The Great Thanksgiving



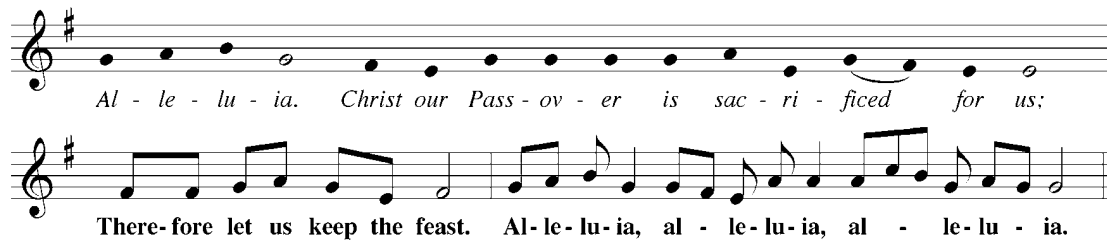
### Preface and Sanctus, Eucharistic Prayer – No. 192

## The Lord's Prayer



Our Fa-ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be— your name, your king - dom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heav - en. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.  
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the  
time of tri - al and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom,  
the pow'r, and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

## At the Fraction – Christ Our Passover



Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - ov - er is sac - ri - ficed for us:  
There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## The Distribution of the Blessed Sacrament

*All Christians are invited to receive the Sacrament.*

*Non-communicants are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.*

### Solo

Sheep May Safely Graze

J. S. Bach

Sheep may safely graze, where the Great Shepherd is watching.  
Where Christ is reigning, one may rest and discover peace and bliss.

### Hymn, No. 544

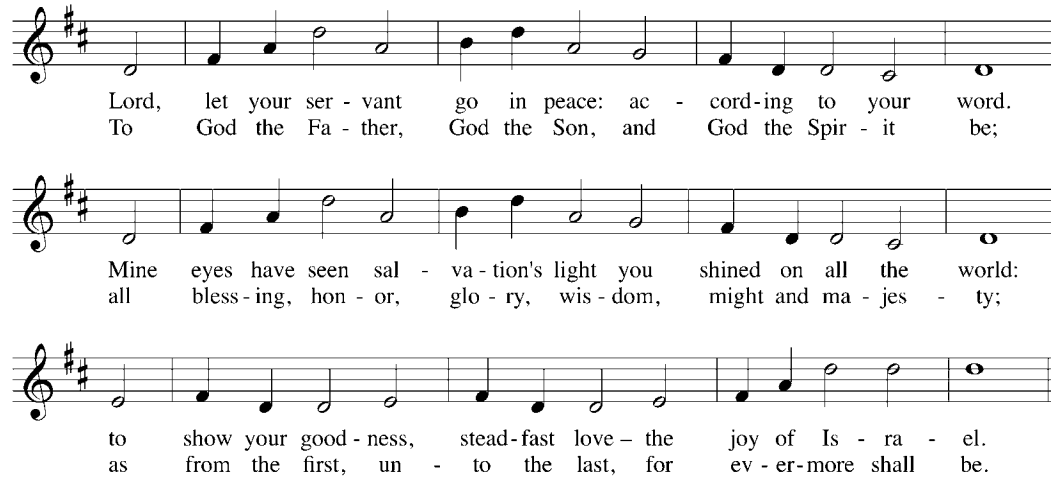
Praise the Lord, Rise up Rejoicing

*The Congregation stands.*

## THE POST-COMMUNION

### Eucharistic Blessing

#### Nunc dimittis



Lord, let your ser - vant go in peace: ac - cord - ing to your word.  
To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spir - it be;

Mine eyes have seen sal - va - tion's light you shined on all the world:  
all bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, wis - dom, might and ma - jes - ty;

to show your good - ness, stead - fast love - the joy of Is - ra - el.  
as from the first, un - to the last, for ev - er - more shall be.

#### Post Communion Prayer

O God of love, you bind us to yourself in this sacrament, and strengthen us through this meal for service to the world. Guide us by your Spirit that we may forever witness to the name of Jesus Christ, the Lord of life. **Amen**

#### Benediction

Hymn (*facing page*)

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

#### Dismissal

Alleluia! Go and tell the news that Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

#### Voluntary

St. Anthony's Chorale

attr. F. J. Haydn

*We welcome all friends and visitors this morning to Augustana, a congregation  
"Reconciled in Christ" that has been racially diverse since 1954.  
Please sign the guest register in the narthex and fill out the  
Attendance Registration booklet located in the pews.*

## I Know That My Redeemer Lives



1. I know that my Re-deem-er
2. He lives to grant me rich sup -
3. He lives and grants me dail - y



lives! What com - fort this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, he  
 ply; He lives to guide me with his eye; He lives to  
 breath; He lives, and I shall con - quer death; He lives my



lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing  
 com - fort me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's com -  
 man - sion to pre - pare; He lives to bring me safe - ly



head! He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; He lives e -  
 plaint. He lives to si - lence all my fears; He lives to  
 there. He lives, all glo - ry to his name! He lives, my



ter - nal - ly to save; He lives ex - alt - ed, throned a -  
 wipe a - way my tears; He lives to calm my trou - bled  
 Sav - ior, still the same; What joy this blest as - sur - ance



bove; He lives to rule his Church in love.  
 heart; He lives all bless - ings to im - part.  
 gives: I know that my Re - deem - er lives!

## *Servants at God's Altar*

<b>Celebrant and Preacher</b>	John S. Kidd
<b>Deacon I</b>	Ben Cutler
<b>Deacon II</b>	David Juilfs
<b>Lector</b>	David McMahon
<b>Crucifer</b>	Patricia Richter
<b>Thurifer</b>	Doug Anderson
<b>Torch Bearers</b>	Olivia Brown, Alex Brown
<b>Book Bearer</b>	Randell Laughlin
<b>Organist and Choirmaster</b>	J. Thomas Mitts
<b>The Parish Choir</b>	
<b>Cantor and Soloist</b>	Betsy Miller, RuthAnn Reshan
<b>Instrumentalists</b>	Sonja Kahler and Ruth Sorenson, <i>flute</i>
<b>Tellers</b>	Mary Schooley, Dawn Nelson, Drew Genszler
<b>Ushers</b>	Josephine Allen, Craig Shireman
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Salome Burton, Carol Vezzetti
<b>Sunday School Teachers</b>	Alice Arrington, Shirley Gaddy

## *Concerns of the People*

### **In our prayers, let us include the following:**

+ **Members:** Louise Anderson, Aaron Bonds, Pearl Cox, Celia Davenport, Kathy Garrison, Herman Davis, Sr Dorothy Gladney, Renee Ivery, George Krafthofer, Bill Reid, Don Werner.

+ **Friends and Family:** Julio Azpuru-Bernhard (Azpuru); Jeffrey Berry (Bob & Alice Anderson); Connie Boorer (Hunter); Ruby Brooks (Anthony); Edith Bowers (Bowers); Melissa & Kevin Brown (Larisch); Judy Cashner (Cashner); Sean Castilla (Laughlin); (Teresa Cross (Knauff); Mindy Davis (Isbell); Beverly Anderson Fauser (Louise Anderson; Patricia Franks (Knauff); Pat Frohman (Hunter); Betty Grady (Werner); Dorothy Hairston (Burton); Leona Harper (Knauff); Dorothy Holderbein (Heinemeier); Irma Holderbein (Heinemeier; Guy Jacobs (Berube); Denise Kellam (Bucci); Sara Kepple (Richter); Jennifer Kileo (Hart); John Larson (Kahler-Larson); Ann Lockwood (Werner); Samantha Lopez (Kahler-Larson); Celeste Lotz (Knauff); Adelaide Lusambilli (Markle-Elder); Ken Merritt (Hunter); William Moon (Wassum); Bruno Muzzi (Markle-Elder); Chris Nelson (Burch-Nelson); Fernando Otero (Pizza); Marion Papacosta (Roth-Renne); Josephine Pizza (Pizza); Carrie Reynolds (Knauff); Veronica Richardson (Knauff); Marvin Safrit (Anderson/Bowell); Dave & Chris Sharp (Hart); Val Smith (Pizza); Janet Spleen (Jaeger); Caleb Richter-Tate (Richter); Diana Tate (Richter); Jim Tate (Richter); Nancy Telford (Richter); Jancye O. Washington (Burton); Cay and John Wiant (Larisch); Joleita Yurchak (Roth-Renne).

+ **In Christian Sympathy** with Irene and Jim Heinemeier upon the death of Irene's mother Dorothy Holderbein in Sacramento, CA on Monday, April 7<sup>th</sup>.

+ **In Christian Sympathy** with the family and friends of Frank Lotz, especially Betsy Knauff. Mr. Lotz passed away on April 6<sup>th</sup>.

+ **The Augustana Call Committee:** Ruth Sorenson, Chair, Josephine Allen, Brian Danaher, Robert (Chip) Fenton, LeeAnn Hart, Tommie Robinson, Jr., and Rebecca Roth, *ex officio*.

*Names remain on the prayer list for four weeks and may be renewed by notifying the office.*

**Gifts to the Glory of God:** Today's flowers are given to the Glory of God by members of the Congregation in honor of the Augustana Call Committee.

**Mortgage Madness Update:** From the beginning of Advent in December through March 30<sup>th</sup> we received \$66,042 in Accessibility contributions –we're half way to our "necessary" goal of \$120,000 to cover a year's mortgage payments! Anything we raise above that amount between now and Advent 2008 can be used to pay off principal. During the past year we were able to pay off \$50,000 in principal. Any amount – small or large – can be contributed, designated for Accessibility. Some benchmarks: \$10,000 = one month's mortgage payment; \$7,500 = three weeks; \$5,000 = two weeks; \$2500 = one week; \$333 = one day. Received last Sunday -- \$ 2,318.00

***SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING  
TODAY -- SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2008***

The Call Committee and the Augustana Congregational Council are pleased to announce that there will be a Special Congregational Meeting held on Sunday, April 13, 2008 immediately following the Worship Service to call a new pastor to our beloved congregation. Nursery Care will be provided until the end of the Special Congregational Meeting.

***– Today, April 6, 2008 – The Third Sunday of Easter–***

**Meet and Greet Breakfast:** 8:45 - 10:00 a.m. – Informal opportunity to meet Pastor Kidd before the Worship Service and Special Congregational Meeting. Come and go as your schedule allows. This event replaces Hospitality Hour after the Worship Service.

**Adult Forum:** Will not meet this morning

**Sunday School:** Regular Sunday School classes will not meet this Sunday. Preschool class for ages 2-4 meets in the nursery during worship service, 10:45 - 11:15. Nursery care provided until the end of the Special Congregational Meeting.

**Nursery Program:** Nursery available for children up to age 5 during worship service and through the Special Congregational Meeting.

**Worship Service:** 10:30 a.m.

– *This Coming Week* –

**Monday, April 14<sup>th</sup>:** The Allied in Pride student group at George Washington University is showing the recently released documentary, *For The Bible Tells Me So*, at 8:00 p.m. in the Marvin Center Amphitheater, 800 21<sup>st</sup> Street, N.W. on the campus of the University. Through the experiences of five very normal, very Christian, very American families – including those of former House Majority Leader Richard Gephardt and Episcopal Bishop Gene Robinson – the film helps viewers discover how insightful people of faith handle the realization of having a gay child. Informed by such respected voices as Archbishop Desmond Tutu; Harvard's Peter Gomes, Orthodox Rabbi Steve Greenberg and the Reverend Jimmy Creech. *For the Bible Tells Me So* offers healing, clarity and understanding to anyone caught in the crosshairs of scripture and sexual identity.

**Wednesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>:** Congregational Council Meeting – 7:00 pm – Library

**Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup>:** Choir Rehearsal – 7:30 pm – Choir Room

– *Next Sunday, April 20, 2008– The Fifth Sunday of Easter* –

**Adult Forum:** 9:15 a.m. – Library – Living the Good News: Guide and Guardian

**Sunday School:** After receiving Communion, children ages 5 and up exit via the Truman Door for their Classrooms - Rooms 303a and 303b. Elementary class for ages 5-10, Middle school class for ages 11-14. Preschool class for ages 2-4 meets in the nursery during worship service, 10:45 - 11:15. Sunday School teachers: Amy Yergey, LeeAnn Hart, Brian Danaher

**Nursery Program:** 10:30 – Noon – Nursery

**Worship Service:** 10:30 a.m.

**Lessons:** Acts 7:55-60; Psalm 31:1-5;15-16; 1 Peter 2:2-10; John 14:1-14

**Hospitality Hosts:** Jim and Doris Lewis, Greg Roemer and Enid Chung

**Bonhoeffer Book Study:** Led by Kathy Garrison this new book study group will use the book *Life Together* by Bonhoeffer. The group will meet monthly on the third Sundays of the month in the Library at 12:00 noon. Contact Kathy Garrison at 703/472-0941 or at [skate1@aol.com](mailto:skate1@aol.com)

– *Upcoming Events and Misc. Announcements* –

**Augustana needs a Teller:** Would you like to contribute your time and talent to the fiscal well being of our church. The Teller Corps needs one new member. The time requirement is only 1-2 hours after the Sunday service once every six weeks. Talent requirement – the ability to count. Please contact Mary Schooley at 202/230-1164 or at [mschooley@att.com](mailto:mschooley@att.com).

**Update on Bill Reid:** Many of you have asked about the condition and location of Bill Reid, our dear member, now 100 years old. He was taken to Sibley Hospital when he was found unable to straighten up after six hours in a kneeling position, when he tried to pick something up from the

floor. He has been transferred to Manor Care Health Services, 8700 Jones Mill Rd., Chevy Chase, Maryland 20815-4729. He is stable and alert and would enjoy receiving cards.

We are reviving the "**Building Use Committee**" here at Augustana and we need your help to get it started and volunteers to make it work! So far we have two volunteers, LeeAnn Hart and Chip Fenton. In the past, Council and Property committee members played a major role in working with the tenant, but we would like to start a new committee to focus on Augustana's needs as well as those of our current and future tenants. Augustana learned recently that our current tenant, ALTA, will not be renewing the lease for the 2008-2009 school year; they will stay through the end of July 2008, so this committee will also work on finding a new tenant. This is an exciting opportunity for Augustana, and we ask that you prayerfully consider taking part in this renewed and very important committee. We are especially interested in any ideas you may have for potential new tenants, or contacts you may have in the commercial real estate business who could assist us in locating a suitable tenant. If you are interested or want to learn more, please contact the office or Rebecca Roth.



## **April 13, 2008 – THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

### **INTRODUCTION**

*To some contemporary Christians, the image of Christ as shepherd appears outdated. Yet the continuing popularity of this "Good Shepherd Sunday" and the tender psalm appointed for the liturgy begs the question: Why are moderns attracted to a shepherd? Is it not that we yearn for guidance, protection, and strength in a world filled with much chaos, violence, and fast-paced change? The liturgy this day offers the image of our God as shepherd: the one who guides us--not out of this world, but in and through it with staff and overflowing cup, with word and holy supper.*

### **FIRST READING: Acts 2:42-47**

*Today's reading is a description of life in the community following Peter's sermon on the day of Pentecost, when the Spirit was poured out on God's people. This new community is founded on the teachings of the apostles and sustained in the breaking of the bread.*

[The baptized] devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

43Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. 44All who believed were together and had all things in common; 45they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. 46Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, 47praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

## **SECOND READING: 1 Peter 2:19-25**

*Peter addresses the theme of suffering. Jesus, the shepherd and guardian of our souls, models for Christians how one suffers for doing what is right.*

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. 20If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. 21For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

22"He committed no sin,

and no deceit was found in his mouth."

23When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. 24He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. 25For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

## **GOSPEL: John 10:1-10**

*Jesus uses an image familiar to the people of his day to make a point about spiritual leadership. Good shepherds bring people to life through Jesus, but those who avoid Jesus are dangerous to the flock.*

[Jesus said:] "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. 2The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. 3The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. 4When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. 5They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." 6Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

7So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. 8All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. 9I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. 10The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

## Mission Statement of Augustana Lutheran Church

“It is the purpose of Augustana Lutheran Church to engage as many persons as will share its confession of faith in a fellowship of worship, learning, witness and service that the Word of God in Jesus Christ may become effective in their lives together and individually and relate effectively in Christian concern and love to the geographic community within which the Church is located.”

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