

# Augustana Lutheran Church

2100 New Hampshire Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20009

## TIME AFTER PENTECOST – PROPER 12

JULY 29, 2007

TEN-THIRTY A.M.

We welcome all friends and visitors this morning to Augustana Lutheran Church, 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. We invite you to join us for hospitality following the Service. A nursery is available for children up to five years old; see an usher for directions.

### THE PREPARATION AND ENTRANCE RITE

**Voluntary**

Our Father, God in Heaven Above

Felix Mendelssohn

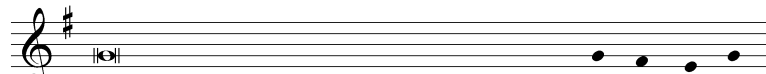
*The Congregation stands.*

**Confession and Forgiveness** – page 94

**Hymn, No. 886**

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

**Apostolic Greeting and Prayer of the Day**



*The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.*



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

Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen**

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## First Lesson

Genesis 18:20-32

## Psalm 138



1. I will give thanks with my whole heart,  
2. A - bove all things, O Lord, my God,  
3. All kings on earth who hear your words,  
4. The Lord is high, yet scorns the proud,  
5. Lord, your right hand shall save my life



be - fore the gods my praise ex - press;  
you glo - ri - fied your Name and word;  
O Lord, will give you thanks and praise  
pro - tects the low - ly on their path;  
and make your pur - pose for me sure;



I will bow down be - fore your throne  
I called and then you an - swered me  
and tell how great your glo - ry is,  
al - though I walk in trou - ble, Lord,  
do not for - sake what you have made;



and praise your love and faith - ful - ness.  
and gave me in - creased strength, O Lord.  
and they will sing of all your ways.  
you keep me safe from hos - tile wrath.  
your love for - ev - er will en - dure.

## Second Lesson

Colossians 2:6-19


Gospel Acclamation – page 205

Alleluia! Lord and Savior

## Holy Gospel

Luke 11:1-13

The Gospel is announced:



*The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the \_\_\_ chap-ter. Glo - ry to you, O Lord.*

After the Gospel is read:



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

## Sermon

*The Congregation stands.*

## Hymn of the Day, No. 746

Our Father, God in Heaven Above

## Prayers of the People

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

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our Prayer.**

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

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

## Sharing of Peace

*The Congregation is seated.*

## Voluntary, at the Offering

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*The Congregation stands.*

## Offertory, No. 184

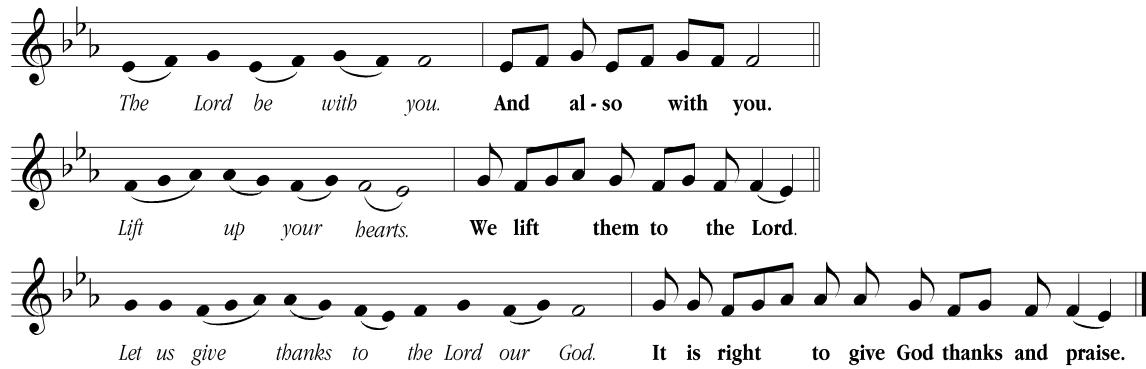
Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

## Offertory Verse and Prayer

The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young, by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Happy are they who dwell in your house! They will always be praising you.

Blessed are you, O God, **maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

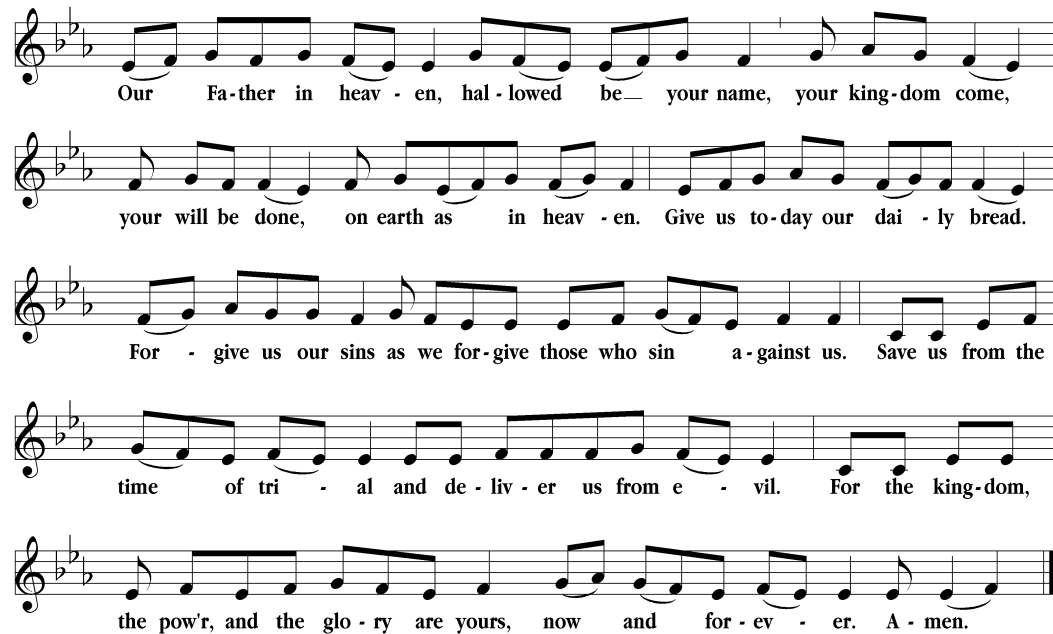


The Lord be with you. And al-so with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

## Eucharistic Prayer

Sanctus, Acclamation and Amen – No. 190

## 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.

## Agnus Dei – No. 199

### 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*

Hymn, No. 789

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

## THE POST-COMMUNION

*The Congregation stands.*

### Eucharistic Blessing

Nunc dimittis, No. 313 – Stanza 1

O Lord, Now Let Your Servant

### Post-Communion Prayer

Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

### Benediction

Hymn, No. 848

Give to Our God Immortal Praise!

*The Congregation turns to face the entrance of the church as the Procession passes.*

### Dismissal

Go in peace. Welcome the stranger.

**Thanks be to God.**

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### -- Servants at God's Altar --

<b>Celebrant and Preacher</b>	James Heinemeier
<b>Deacon I</b>	Kelly Bowers
<b>Deacon II</b>	Doris Lewis
<b>Lector</b>	Norman Forness
<b>Crucifer</b>	TBA
<b>Bookbearer</b>	TBA
<b>Torchbearers</b>	TBA
<b>Organist</b>	Dr. J. Thomas Mitts
<b>Ushers</b>	Kathy Garrison, Anna Bavier Margaret Mushala, Nichole Wade
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Eric Luttamus
<b>Tellers</b>	John McKirgan, Betsy Knauff, Ron Mueller
<b>Hospitality Hosts</b>	LeeAnn Hart, Judi and Mike Bucci

## -- Parish Concerns --

+ **Members:** Mary Beth Blegen, Aaron Bonds, Ardelle Burton, Pearl Cox, Celia Davenport, Herman Davis, Sr., Kathy Garrison, Dorothy Gladney, Bill Reid, Don Werner.

+ **Friends and Family:** Effi Barry (Burton); Edith Bowers (Bowers); Judith Bremner (Bradley); Judy Cashner (Cashner); Mindy Davis (Isbell); Ray “Bud” Erickson (Kennedy-Nash); Robert Kyle Evans (Schipp); Patricia Franks (Knauff); Lyle Forness (Forness); TraciLynn Fox (VandenBosch); Pat Frohman (Hunter); Mary Pat Gertz (Gertz); Betty Grady (Werner); Mary Hancock (Knauff); Leona Harper (Knauff); Mary Elizabeth Jacobs (Berube); Denise Kellam (Bucci); Sara Kepple (Richter); John Larson (Kahler-Larson); Sylvia Luttamus (Luttamus); Ann Lockwood (Werner); Marjorie Looney (Wassum); Celeste Lotz (Knauff); Sally Markle (Markle-Elder); Lois Merritt (Hunter); David Moore (Hart); Bruno Muzzi (Markle-Elder); Chris Nelson (Burch-Nelson); Susan Papp (Lenhart/Ray); Rachelle Portner (Hart); Mary Ann Richardson (Kennedy-Nash); Veronica Richardson (Knauff); Sarah Richter (Richter); Rich & Norma Shirey (Hart); Iris and Juan Sosa (Leath); Deborah Tang (Burton); Caleb Richter-Tate (Richter); Richard Tepel (Schipp); The Family of Ray Verrey (Wassum); Marion Wagley (Capps); Joan Wassum (Wassum); Nellikan Wernicke (Baerwald); Pamela Wilson (Markle-Elder).

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

**Gifts to the Glory of God:** Today’s flowers are given to the Glory of God by Kevin Canfield and Robert Bennett.

**We welcome our guest celebrant and preacher** this morning, the Rev. James Heinemeier. Pastor Theiss is on vacation today with his family in Wisconsin.

**Next Steps in our Mortgage Madness Campaign:** We will renew our “Help Pay the Monthly Mortgage” Campaign with the arrival of Advent in December. Meanwhile, thanks to the generosity of so many members and friends, by the end of June we had received enough funds for Accessibility to cover our \$9,899 monthly mortgage payments (principal and interest) through November, the end of the church year. **Now we have a great opportunity - namely, to use all additional Accessibility funds donated this summer and autumn to pay back principal exclusively.** The benefits of making supplemental principal payments are enormous, as every additional dollar applied to principal payment saves us dollars in interest. In fact, our Finance Committee has calculated that **every \$4.00 used to pay down principal will save us \$6.00 in interest.** Let’s see how many interest dollars we can save by December! Received last week -- \$680.00

**A REMINDER:** Summer is here, but the church does not go on vacation when you go on vacation! Programs continue. Bills have to be paid. Please remember to keep your financial contributions coming even when you're not here. And, when you're not on vacation, please continue to share your time and talents –**WE NEED YOU!** -The Stewardship Committee

**-- Today -- Time After Pentecost – Proper 12 --**

**Nursery Program:** 10:30 – Noon

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

**Hymn-Sing and Ice Cream Social:** In keeping with the great Lutheran tradition of singing and in celebration of our new hymnal, bring a new hymnal from the sanctuary after services this morning and join us for a hymn-sing and ice cream in the social hall during hospitality. Dr. Mitts will accompany us on the piano. You will have the opportunity to request your favorite hymns and to enjoy “telling the old, old story” at Augustana.



**-- This Week --**

**Saturday, August 4<sup>th</sup>:** Augustana volunteers are needed for our monthly commitment (first Saturday of the month) to **Martha's Table** to provide food to homeless people. The time is 4:45 to 6:30 p.m. If you would like to volunteer this month or next, please contact Amy Yergey at 301/294-9185 or at amy.yergey@ccs-dc.org

**-- Next Sunday, August 5, 2007 –Time After Pentecost, Proper 13--**

**Nursery Program:** 10:30 – Noon

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

**Lessons:** Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23; Psalm 49:1-12; Colossians 3:1-11;  
Luke 12:13-21

**Hospitality Hosts:** Kelly Bowers, Jeff Teitel, Tim Himes

**Fair Trade Sunday** – Sale of Coffee by Social Ministries Committee and our Regular Sunday for the **ELCA World Hunger Appeal**.

*All Committees Meet – First Sunday of the Month*

**Christian Education Committee** – Noon – Library

**Finance Committee** will not meet

**Property Committee** – Noon – Room 301

**Social Ministries Committee** – Noon – Room 118

**Stewardship Committee** – Noon – Room 302

**Worship and Music Committee** – Noon – Choir Room

### -- Upcoming Events and Announcements --

**Mark your calendars now for the Fall Retreat!** -- The 2007 congregational retreat is scheduled for September 14-15 at the Singmaster Center of the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Gettysburg. Further details and information will be forthcoming in the *Augustanan* newsletter and the Sunday bulletin

**Augustana is looking for a few good Sunday School teachers!** Plans are being made to revive the Sunday School program in September and we're now seeking volunteers to serve as Sunday School teachers. To accommodate teachers' busy schedules, we will be implementing a rotational "team teaching" approach that will allow for flexibility in teacher scheduling. If you are committed to the spiritual growth and development of young Augustanans and eager to work with a great group of kids, please consider becoming a part of this important congregational ministry. For details about our plans for Sunday School, contact Bob Luoma (202-546-1324, [gluoma@boo.net](mailto:gluoma@boo.net)) or a member of the Sunday School Planning Committee: Sara Markle-Elder, Sarita Olley, and Sonvy Waidler



**This email comes to us from one of the ELCA Chaplains who received our gift of phone cards to distribute to his congregation of troops. Augustana has helped bring some peace to troubled hearts, thousands of miles from home.**

----Original Message Follows----

From: "Hahn, Patrick A CDR MNF-I DCS R&S Chief of Operations Chaplain"

<[patrick.hahn@iraq.centcom.mil](mailto:patrick.hahn@iraq.centcom.mil)>

To: "Brian Danaher" <[danaherb@hotmail.com](mailto:danaherb@hotmail.com)>

Subject: POSTER, PHONE CARDS

Date: Wed, 18 Jul 2007 17:09:43 +0400

Brian,

The phone cards from the congregation arrived in the mail today. Great!!! Thanks!!!  
The cards will be sent to Soldiers, Sailors, and Airmen who are guarding detainees at a large detainee facility near the Iraq-Kuwait border. These young men and women work 14-hour shifts 6 days a week. They are always out in the elements wearing about 60 lbs of protective body armor in 125-degree weather with 25-30 mph blowing winds. These guards must continue to walk their post and seldom have the opportunity to duck into an air-conditioned facility. Once done with their shift, they eat, clean up, and most often go to sleep and start all over again the next day. On their day off, these great young men and women relax on their cot, plug a DVD into their laptop, read, take a nap, and lift weights. Their existence certainly is not exciting but often dangerous. Most of these kids will do that for 12-15 months before they rotate back to the States. Calling home is a precious opportunity for them. They certainly will appreciate the gift of those phone cards.

Please convey my appreciation to Augustana for the gift of phone cards. While it may not seem a huge effort to the donors, the Sailors, Soldiers, and Airmen will be thrilled to receive the card. Hearing the voice of a spouse, a child, a parent will make their day--will make their week! I'm sure if they could they would eagerly voice their thanks to Augustana.

Enclosed is a photo of the Father's Day poster. I tacked it up on the wall next to the exterior door. Everyone who left the building stopped and enjoyed the artwork and personal notes. Thanks!

Peace and Joy.

Patrick Hahn

Chaplain

CDR, United States Navy

Multinational Force-Iraq

Chief of Operations Chaplain

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July 29, 2007

TIME AFTER PENTECOST – Proper 12

**FIRST READING:**

**Genesis 18:20-32**

The LORD said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! <sup>21</sup>I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know."

<sup>22</sup>So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. <sup>23</sup>Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? <sup>24</sup>Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? <sup>25</sup>Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" <sup>26</sup>And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake."

<sup>27</sup>Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the LORD, I who am but dust and ashes. <sup>28</sup>Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." <sup>29</sup>Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." <sup>30</sup>Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." <sup>31</sup>He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." <sup>32</sup>Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

**SECOND READING:**

**Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19]**

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, <sup>7</sup>rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

<sup>8</sup>See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. <sup>9</sup>For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, <sup>10</sup>and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. <sup>11</sup>In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; <sup>12</sup>when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. <sup>13</sup>And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, <sup>14</sup>erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the

cross. <sup>15</sup>He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

[<sup>16</sup>Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. <sup>17</sup>These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. <sup>18</sup>Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, <sup>19</sup>and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.]

**GOSPEL:**

**Luke 11:1-13**

[Jesus] was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." <sup>2</sup>He said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

<sup>3</sup>Give us each day our daily bread.

<sup>4</sup>And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial."

<sup>5</sup>And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; <sup>6</sup>for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' <sup>7</sup>And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' <sup>8</sup>I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

<sup>9</sup>So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. <sup>10</sup>For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. <sup>11</sup>Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? <sup>12</sup>Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? <sup>13</sup>If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"



## **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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William R. Riggs, Office Administrator  
Marcial Pacheco, Building Maintenance Supervisor  
Deborah Young, Nursery Attendant

### **2007 Congregational Council**

Larry Anthony – Judi Bucci – Eileen Crawford  
Ben Cutler – Andrew Genszler, Secretary  
Irene Heinemeier – Matt Larson  
John McKirgan – Patricia Richter –  
Rebecca Roth, Vice President  
Barbara Solt – Arne Sorenson

**Parents:** A nursery is available for children up to five years old.  
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**Parking** is available at the Reeves Center – 14<sup>th</sup> & U Streets  
Please enter on U Street. From 10 am – 4 pm on Sundays  
First Come, First Served