

Augustana Lutheran Church

2100 New Hampshire Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20009

TIME AFTER PENTECOST – LECTIONARY 8

May 25, 2008

10:30 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. Join us for hospitality in the Parish Hall following the service.

Music of the Liturgy – Setting Ten

THE PREPARATION AND ENTRANCE RITE

Voluntary

If You But Trust in God Guide You

J. S. Bach

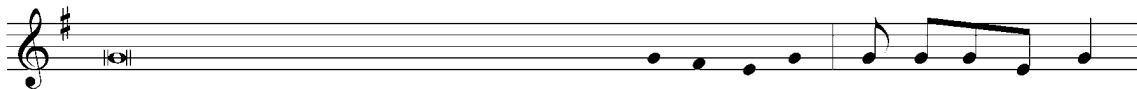
As the bells are rung, the Congregation stands and turns to face the Baptismal Font!

Confession and Forgiveness – page 95

Hymn, No. 769

If You But Trust in God to Guide You

Apostolic Greeting



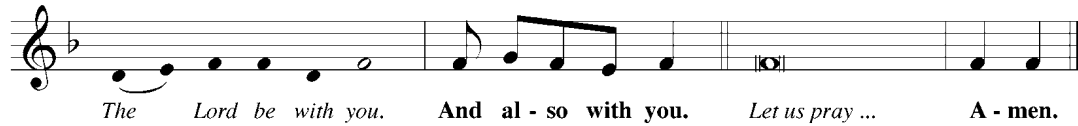
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,

be with you all. **And al - so with you.**

Kyrie – page 203

Have Mercy on Us, Lord

Salutation and Prayer of the Day



God of tender care, like a mother, like a father, you never forget your children, and you know already what we need. In all our anxiety give us trusting and faithful hearts, that in confidence we may embody the peace and justice of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen**

The Congregation is seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Lesson

Isaiah 49:8-16a

Psalms 131



O LORD, I am not proud;
 I have no haughty looks.
 I do not occupy myself with great matters,
 or with things that are too hard for me.

But I still my soul and make it quiet, like a child upon its mother's breast;
 my soul is quiet-ed within me.

O Israel, wait up- on the LORD,
 from this time forth for- evermore.

Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 4:1-5

Gospel Acclamation – page 205

Alleluia! Lord and Savior

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Sharing of Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

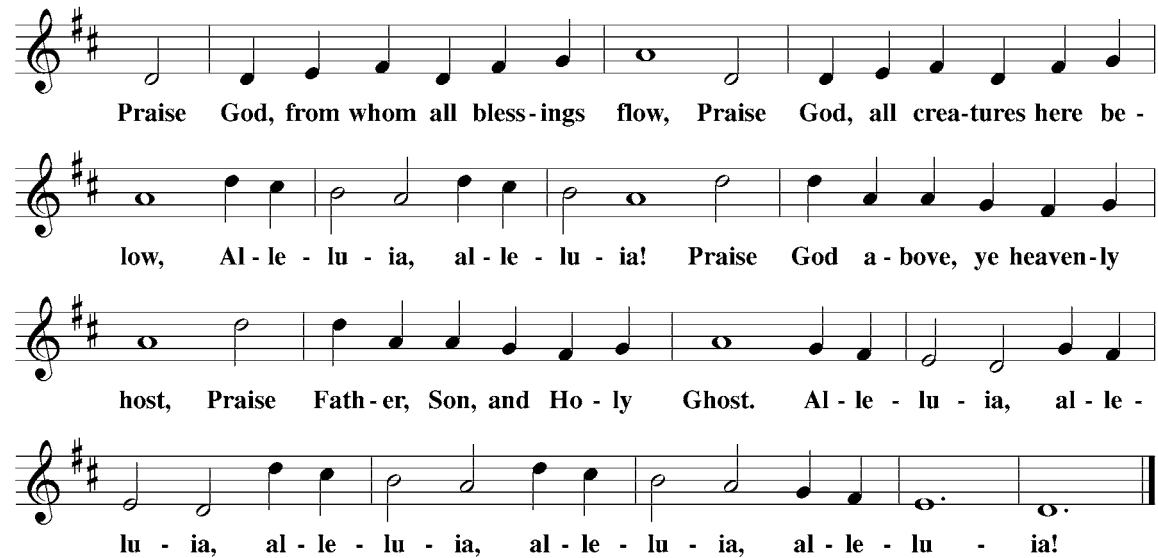
And also with you.

The Congregation is seated.

Anthem

The Congregation stands.

Offertory Hymn



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures here be -
low, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise God a - bove, ye heaven - ly
host, Praise Fath - er, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Offertory Verse and Prayer

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Day 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.

God of all creation, **all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from thee earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in 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 him thanks and praise.

The image shows three staves of musical notation in a single system. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff contains the lyrics 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.' The second staff contains 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.' The third staff contains 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise.' The music consists of a series of eighth and quarter notes, with some rests, creating a simple, rhythmic melody.

Preface, Sanctus, Acclamation, Amen – page 207

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.

The image shows five staves of musical notation in a single system. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are: '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.' The music is a simple, rhythmic melody consisting of eighth and quarter notes.

Agnus Dei – page 208

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.*

Anthem

Hymn, No. 589

All Depends on Our Possessing

THE POST-COMMUNION

The Congregation stands.

Eucharistic Blessing

Nunc dimittis, No. 313

O Lord, Now Let Your Servant

Stanza 1.

Post Communion Prayer

O God, our provider, you nourish us with holy food and drink, and you open our hearts to the needs of others. Refresh us with your Spirit, that our words and deeds may proclaim your creative and life-giving Word, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Benediction

Hymn, No. 867

In Thee Is Gladness

Dismissal

Go in peace. Welcome others as Christ has welcomed you.

Thanks be to God.

Voluntary In Thee Is Gladness



Servants at God's Altar

Celebrant and Preacher	The Rev. John S. Kidd
Deacon I	Richard Gillam
Deacon II	Kathy Garrison
Lector	Grace Morgan
Organist and Choirmaster	Dr. J. Thomas Mitts
Crucifer	Paul Beddoe
Bookbearer	Olivia Brown
Torchbearers	Alex Brown, Joyce Byamungu Waguti
Ushers	Aaron and Lisa Bonds, Ron DiGregorio,
Altar Guild	Judi Bucci
Tellers	Mary Schooley, Dawn Nelson, Al Young
Hospitality Hosts	Betsy Knauff, Carol Vezzetti

Concerns of the People

In our prayers, let us include the following:

+ **Members:** Josephine Allen; Louise Anderson; Celia Davenport; Herman Davis, Sr.; Dorothy Gladney; Craig Shireman, Don Werner.

+ **Friends and Family:** Julio Azpuru-Bernhard (Azpuru); Jeffrey Berry (Bob & Alice Anderson); Connie Boorer (Hunter); Ruby Brooks (Anthony); Melissa & Kevin Brown (Larisch); Judy Cashner (Cashner); Sean Castilla (Laughlin); (Teresa Cross (Knauff); Jerry Custer (Bowers); Mindy Davis (Isbell); Beverly Anderson Fauser (Louise Anderson; Patricia Franks (Knauff); Pat Frohman (Hunter); Betty Grady (Werner); Keeva Harmon (Burton); Leona Harper (Knauff); The Rev. Jane Henderson (Schilke); Irma Holderbein (Heinemeier; Guy Jacobs (Berube); Denise Kellam (Bucci); Sara Kepple (Richter); Jennifer Kileo (Hart); Kate and the Rev. Merlin Knauff (Knauff); Richard Larisch (Larisch); John Larson (Kahler-Larson); Otelia Leath (Leath); Ann Lockwood (Werner); Samantha Lopez (Kahler-Larson); Celeste Lotz (Knauff); Adelaide Lusambilli (Markle-Elder); Jan McGurty (Larisch); Ken Merritt (Hunter); William Moon (Wassum); Bruno Muzzi (Markle-Elder); Chris Nelson (Burch-Nelson); Grace Patterson (Burton); Josephine Pizza (Pizza); Carrie Reynolds (Knauff); Veronica Richardson (Knauff); Marvin Safrit (Anderson/Bowell); The Sharp family (Hart); Janet Spleen (Jaeger); Caleb Richter-Tate (Richter); Diana Tate (Richter); Jim Tate (Richter); Nancy Telford (Richter); Cay and John Wiant (Larisch); Joleita Yurchak (Roth-Renne).

+ **In Christian Sympathy** with the family and friends of Brenda Wiberg, who died on Sunday,

May 18th. Ms. Wiberg and her husband Carl were active members of the congregation before they moved to Fredericksburg, VA. She worked in the church office, and he was Vice President of the Council.

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 by the Augustana Call Committee in honor of the first Sunday of the Rev. John S. Kidd. Nicole and David Skinner have given today's DAG Gift, candle, bread and wine to the Glory of God in celebration of their seventh wedding anniversary.

Mortgage Madness Update: From the beginning of Advent in December through April 27th we received \$71,043 in Accessibility contributions –we are than 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 -- \$ 3,716.00

– Today, May 25, 2008– Pentecost 2 –

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: Sarita Chapman, Dawn Fenton, Brian Danaher

Nursery Program: 10:30 – Noon – Nursery

Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.

Deacon Training – Nave – immediately after the worship service – For more information contact Kathy Garrison

Fourth Sunday of the Month Food Collection: Our Social Ministries Committee will be collecting food items for the Augustana/Santa Maria Food Pantry. The need is great, please be generous.

Borg Book Study: Led by the Rev. James Heinemeier, this group is reading and discussing Borg's book entitled *Meeting Jesus Again for the First Time*. They meet monthly on the fourth Sundays of the month in the Library at 12:30. Contact Jim Heinemeier at 301/605-7050 or ISHJTH@hotmail.com

– This Coming Week –

Monday, May 26th: Church Offices Closed for the Federal Holiday

Saturday, May 31st: There will be a Deacon Training session on Saturday, May 31st at 10:00 am. The training session is in the nave. For more information please contact Kathy Garrison at srkate1@aol.com

– Next Sunday, June 1, 2008– Pentecost 3 –

Nursery Program: 10:30 – Noon – Nursery

Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.

Lessons: Deuteronomy 11:18-21, 26-28; Psalm 31:1-5, 19-24; Romans 1:16-17; 3:22b-31; Matthew 7:21-29

On Sunday, June 1st we will celebrate the end of our Sunday School year with a picnic as our hospitality hour. Co-chaired by Esther Rege and Sonvy Waidler the event will feature fun, refreshments, and games. Plan now to join in the celebration. Contact Sonvy Waidler if you would like to assist with the events planned for the day.

In deference to the Sunday School Picnic, none of the standing committees will meet this Sunday.

– Upcoming Events and Misc. Announcements –

Saturday, June 21st: Celebrate World Refugee Day with Lutheran Social Services -- Passport to the World 2008: Honoring the Refugee Experience. Join Lutheran Social Services of the National Capital Area (LSS) for their second annual Passport to the World gala to celebrate World Refugee Day and benefit the Refugee and Immigration Services (RIS) program. To be held at the Fannie Mae Great Hall, 3900 Wisconsin Ave., N.W., Washington, DC starting at 7 p.m. -- Black-tie optional

Experience the cultures of Burma, Cameroon, Colombia, Iran, and Somalia. Talk with refugees who have been resettled in our area through the RIS program, and enjoy the music of Nigerian singer Kuku among other international entertainers. Commemorate your evening with an item from the silent auction, such as one-of-a-kind artwork by an Iraqi refugee who will be creating the piece at the gala.

Tickets are on sale now: \$75 for individuals/\$125 for couples. Tickets must be purchased in advance and are expected to sell out...get yours today! Visit

<http://ent.groundspring.org/EmailNow/pub.php?module=URLTracker&cmd=track&j=212234144&u=2186257> and click Donate Now or call Emily Moore at (301) 562-8633, ext 234.



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INTRODUCTION

Christians recognize that the source of all good things is the God who feeds the birds and clothes the grass of the field. We rejoice that we are held in the palm of God's hand. God cannot forget us any more than a woman could forget her nursing child. Nourished at the Lord's table, we share these gifts with those who are anxious, hungry, poor, or in any kind of need.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 49:8-16a

The Lord shows motherly compassion for God's suffering people. Even if a nursing mother could under rare circumstances forget her child, God will never forget us.

Thus says the LORD:

In a time of favor I have answered you,
on a day of salvation I have helped you;
I have kept you and given you
as a covenant to the people,
to establish the land,
to apportion the desolate heritages;
⁹saying to the prisoners, "Come out,"
to those who are in darkness, "Show yourselves."
They shall feed along the ways,
on all the bare heights shall be their pasture;
¹⁰they shall not hunger or thirst,
neither scorching wind nor sun shall strike them down,
for he who has pity on them will lead them,
and by springs of water will guide them.
¹¹And I will turn all my mountains into a road,
and my highways shall be raised up.
¹²Lo, these shall come from far away,
and lo, these from the north and from the west,
and these from the land of Syene.
¹³Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth;
break forth, O mountains, into singing!
For the LORD has comforted his people,
and will have compassion on his suffering ones.
¹⁴But Zion said, "The LORD has forsaken me,
my LORD has forgotten me."
¹⁵Can a woman forget her nursing child,
or show no compassion for the child of her womb?

Even these may forget,
yet I will not forget you.
¹⁶See, I have inscribed you on the palms of my hands.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 4:1–5

We are servants and stewards of Christ, whose primary responsibility is to be trustworthy. We do not stand over others as their judge but stand under Christ to whom we will be held accountable.

Think of us in this way, as servants of Christ and stewards of God's mysteries. ²Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found trustworthy. ³But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged by you or by any human court. I do not even judge myself. ⁴I am not aware of anything against myself, but I am not thereby acquitted. It is the Lord who judges me. ⁵Therefore do not pronounce judgment before the time, before the Lord comes, who will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Then each one will receive commendation from God.

GOSPEL: Matthew 6:24–34

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus encourages his followers to trust in God rather than material wealth.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] "No one can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth. ²⁵"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? ²⁸And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ³⁰But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹"Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' ³²For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. ³³But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. ³⁴"So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.

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“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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