

Augustana Lutheran Church

2100 New Hampshire Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20009

SEPTEMBER 7, 2008



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.

We welcome all friends and visitors this morning to Augustana Lutheran Church,
a congregation “Reconciled in Christ” that has been racially integrated 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.

We invite you to be an active participant in the worship of God as you are able.

Note that the peoples’ responses in the liturgy are indicated by **bold type**.

Portions of the liturgy on pages 1-388 are found in the front of the hymnal, followed by
Psalms, Nos. 1-150; Service Music, Nos. 151-238; and Hymns, Nos. 239-893.

We suggest that you mark the items of today’s liturgy with the hymnal ribbons.



Servants at God’s Altar

Celebrant and Preacher	The Rev. John S. Kidd
Deacon I	Patricia Richter
Deacon II	Kelly Bowers
Lector	Jerry Brown
Organist and Choirmaster	Dr. J. Thomas Mitts
The Parish Choir	
Crucifer	Scott Dillon
Bookbearer	Joyce Waguti
Torchbearers	Isaac Sorenson, Lars Sorenson
Ushers	Jerry Brown, Salome Burton Ruth Hunter, Heidi Hanson & Michael Kaiser
Altar Guild	Alice Anderson, Salome Burton
Tellers	Mary Andoh, John McKirgan
Hospitality Hosts	Betsy Knauff, Kelly Bowers & Jeff Tietel

TIME AFTER PENTECOST

LECTIONARY 23

September 7, 2008

10:30 a.m.

THE PREPARATION AND ENTRANCE RITE

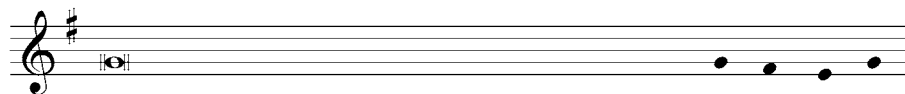
Voluntary All Glory Be to God on High Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck

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

Confession and Forgiveness – page 95

Hymn, No. 836 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

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



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, Ky - ri - e e - lei - son,
Chris - te e - lei - son, Chris - te e - lei - son,
Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, Ky - ri - e e - lei - son,



Ky - ri - e e - lei - - - son.
Chris - - - te e - lei - - - son.
Ky - ri - e e - lei - - - son.

Gloria



1. All glo - ry be to God— on high, And peace to all God's peo - ple.
2. You take a - way the sin of the world: Lord Je - sus Christ, have mer - cy;



O Lord— God, O heav'n - ly King, Al - might - y God and Fa - ther:
You sit on high at God's right hand, O Lamb of God, re - ceive our prayer.



We wor - ship you, We give you thanks, We praise you for your glo - ry.
For you a - lone are Ho - ly Lord, For you a - lone are Most— High,



Lord Je - sus Christ, God's on - ly Son.
And with the Spir - it, glo - ri - fied. A - men—

Salutation and Prayer of the Day



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

O Lord God, enliven and preserve your church with your perpetual mercy. Without your help, we mortals will fail; remove far from us everything that is harmful, and lead us toward all that gives life and salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen**

The Congregation is seated.

The Dedication of Congregational Ministries

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Lesson

Exodus 12:1-14

Psalm 149

Sung by All to ELW Tone 7, page 337.

Second Lesson

Romans 13:8-14

The Congregation stands.

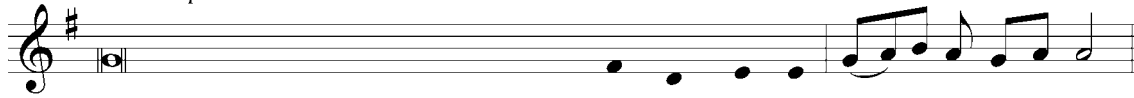
Gradual

Sung by the Choir.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 18:15-20

The Gospel is announced:



The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eighteenth chapter. 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

Where Charity and Love Prevail



1. Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail	there God is ev - er found;
2. With grate - ful joy and ho - ly fear	God's char - i - ty we learn;
3. For - give we now each o - ther's faults	as we our faults con - fess;
4. Let strife a - mong us be un - known,	let all con - ten - tion cease;
5. Let us re - call that in our midst	dwells God's be - got - ten Son;
6. Love can ex - clude no race or creed	if hon - ored be God's name;



brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love	by love are we thus bound.
let us with heart and mind and strength	now love God in re - turn.
and let us love each o - ther well	in Chris - tian ho - li - ness.
be God's the glo - ry that we seek,	be ours God's ho - ly peace.
as mem - bers of his bo - dy joined	we are in him made one.
our com - mon life em - brac - es all	whose Fa - ther is the same.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 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

Anthem, at the Offering Cantate Domino (Psalm 149:1-2) G. A. O. Pitoni

Sing to the LORD a new song, God's praise in the assembly of the faithful.

Let Israel rejoice in their maker; let the children of Zion be joyful in their ruler.

The Congregation stands.

Offertory, No. 182

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Offertory Verse and Prayer

Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Holy God, **gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

The Great Thanksgiving

Sanctus, Acclamations, and Amen – No. 190

The Lord's Prayer

Agnus Dei

Sung in canon: first the Choir, then the Pulpit side, then the Lectern side.



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 Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether Harold Friedell

Hymn, No. 543 Go, My Children, with My Blessing

THE POST-COMMUNION

The Congregation stands.

Eucharistic Blessing and Nunc dimittis, No. 313

Post Communion Prayer

O God, you have shown us the ultimate hospitality by welcoming us to feast on your very being. By your Spirit, teach us to show true hospitality to both family and stranger, offering ourselves for the needs of others through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Benediction

Hymn, No. 652 Built on a Rock

Dismissal

Go in peace. Grow in grace.

Thanks be to God.

Voluntary Prelude in B Major Marcel Dupré

Concerns of the People

In our prayers, let us include the following:

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

+ **Friends and Family:** Jack Baerwald (Baerwald); Connie Boorer (Hunter); Ruby Brooks (Anthony); Kevin & Regina Brown (Larisch); George Cahill (Pizza) the Cahill family (Fenton); Sean Castilla (Laughlin); (Teresa Cross (Knauff); Jerry Custer (Bowers); Mindy Davis (Isbell); Elvera Desmond (Juilfs); Beverly Anderson Fauser (Louise Anderson; Rachel H. Falls (Schilke); Patricia Franks (Knauff); Pat Frohman (Hunter); Betty Grady (Werner); Leona Harper (Knauff); Abigail Henderson (Schilke); Irma Holderbein (Heinemeier); Denise Kellam (Bucci); Sara Kepple (Richter); Jennifer Kileo (Hart); Kate and the Rev. Luther Knauff (Knauff); Rona Lenhof (Bonds); Ann Lockwood (Werner); Samantha Lopez (Kahler-Larson); Celeste Lotz (Knauff); Adelaide Lusambilli (Markle-Elder); Bill Lynch (Hunter); Jan McGurty (Larisch); Ken Merritt (Hunter); William Moon (Wassum); Bruno Muzzi (Markle-Elder); Chris Nelson (Burch-Nelson); Christopher Palermo (Williams); Grace Patterson (Burton); Josephine Pizza (Pizza); Carrie Reynolds (Knauff); (Vicar Lois Ryan (Kahler/Larson); The Rutter Family (Bonds); The Sharp family (Hart); Robert Shelton (Arrington) Janet Spleen (Jaeger); Caleb Richter-Tate (Richter); Diana Tate (Richter); Nancy Telford (Richter); Marty Wagner (Hart); Cay and John Wiant (Larisch); Joleita Yurchak (Roth-Renne).

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

In Christian Sympathy with Scott Dillon on death of his father on Sunday, August 24th in Ohio,

Gifts to the Glory of God: Today's flowers are given to the Glory of God by Irene Heinemeier in honor of the 50th anniversary of her husband Jim's ordination.

Thank You to Deidra Agbro, Pearl Cox, Ruth Hunter, George Krafthofer and Chuck Leath for preparing the *Augustanan* for mailing on Friday of this week.

-- Today, September 7, 2008 – Pentecost 17 --

Adult Forum: 9:15 – Library

Nursery Program: 10:30 – Noon in the Nursery

Celebration of the Eucharist: 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School: After receiving Communion, children ages 5 and up exit via the Truman Door for their classes. This year we will be using Room 118 in the Undercroft for both the Kindergarten class

ages 5-6., and the elementary class ages 7-10, Preschool class for ages 2-4 meets in the nursery during worship service, from 10:45 to 11:15.

Hospitality Hour following service – all are welcome!

ELCA World Hunger Fund Sunday – See envelope & goldenrod insert

Equal Exchange Sunday – The Social Ministries Committee will be selling products in the Social Hall

All Committees Meet, except Evangelism and Worship & Music Committees– 12:00 Noon

Christian Education Committee – Library

Finance Committee – Room 118

Property Committee – Choir Room

Stewardship Committee – Room 118

Social Ministry Committee – Social Hall

Misa: 1:00 p.m. –La Comunidad de Santa Maria

Augustana Workshop on the ELCA Social Statement on Human Sexuality: 2:00-6:00 pm

Social Hall – See Cherry Insert

– *This Week* –

Thursday, September 11th: Choir Rehearsal – 7:30 p.m. – Choir Room

Saturday, September 13th: Special Choir Rehearsal – Time to be announced

Saturday, September 13th: Installation Service Rehearsal – 11:30 am -- Nave

– *Next Sunday, September 14, 2008 – Pentecost 18* –
– *Holy Cross* –

Adult Forum: 9:15 – Library – see announcement in upcoming events

Nursery Program: 10:30 – Noon – Nursery

Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School: After receiving Communion, children ages 5 and up exit via the Truman Door for their classes. This year we will be using Room 118 in the Undercroft for both the Kindergarten class ages 5-6., and the elementary class ages 7-10, Preschool class for ages 2-4 meets in the nursery during worship service, from 10:45 to 11:15.

Lessons: Exodus 14:19-31; Psalm 114; Romans 14:1-12; Matthew 18:21-35

Hospitality Hour following service – all are welcome!

Hospitality Hour Hosts: Betsy Knauff, Joy Stancil

Misa: 1:00 p.m. – Comunidad de Santa Maria

Installation Service: Special Music will start at 3:30 p.m. with the Installation Service to begin at 4:00 p.m. Please join us in a gala celebration of Augustana, its people and ministry. Bishop Graham will preach, with the Rev. Conrad Braaten officiating at the installation. A festive reception in the

Social Hall follows the service. An envelope to help cover costs of the installation service is included in the bulletin inserts.

– Upcoming Events and Misc. Announcements –

On September 14th, Adult Forum will begin a new lectionary-based Bible study series entitled, "Seasons of the Spirit." Each week, participants will read and discuss the Sunday liturgical readings and consider the readings in light of our life as a Christian community and our individual faith journeys. A special feature of this series is an arts component that allows participants to expand their understanding of the scriptural message through visual arts and music. **Adult Forum** meets in the library at 9:15 am. Each session begins with a short "get acquainted" social time over coffee and donuts. Everyone in the Augustana community is invited to participate.

Interested in adult Christian Education at Augustana? On September 21st there will be an open meeting to discuss options for adult study at Augustana. The success of two book discussion groups that met during the spring and summer months has prompted a call for more adult education opportunities in our congregation, specifically at times that would accommodate participants' busy schedules. We will be open to all suggestions about the focus and format of any potential adult study group(s). If you have ideas or comments, or simply wish to know more about adult education at Augustana, please consider joining us on the 21st. The meeting will be held at 12:30 p.m. in the library. For more information, contact Bob Luoma (202-546-1324, gluoma@boo.net).



September 7, 2008

TIME AFTER PENTECOST — LECTIONARY 23

INTRODUCTION

Conflict is a part of relationships and life in community. Jesus' words in today's gospel are often used in situations having to do with church discipline. The prophet Ezekiel tells of warning the wicked to turn from their ways, and Paul reminds us that love is the fulfilling of the law. We gather in the name of Christ, assured that he is present among us with gifts of peace and reconciliation.

FIRST READING: Exodus 12:1–14

Israel remembered its deliverance from slavery in Egypt by celebrating the festival of Passover. This festival featured the Passover lamb, whose blood was used as a sign to protect God's people from the threat of death. The early church described the Lord's supper using imagery from the Passover, especially in portraying Jesus as the lamb who delivers God's people from sin and death.

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: ²This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. ⁴If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it.

⁵Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. ⁶You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. ⁷They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. ⁸They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. ⁹Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. ¹⁰You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn.

¹¹This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. ¹²For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. ¹³The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

¹⁴This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

SECOND READING: Romans 13:8–14

The obligation of Christians is to love one another and so fulfill the heart and goal of the law. Clothes make the person as we "put on the Lord Jesus Christ" and live today in light of the future God has in store for us.

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

¹¹Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹²the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

GOSPEL: Matthew 18:15–20

Jesus offers practical advice to his disciples on how individuals—and the church as a whole—

should show wrongdoers their need for repentance.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out

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