7th Sunday of Easter

May 16, 2021



John 17:18, ESV

Augustana Lutheran Church

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

(*stand if able) Meghan Stringer

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS *GATHERING HYMN "GUIDE ME EVER, GREAT REDEEMER" ELW #618 VV. 1,2



Text: William Williams, 1717–1791; tr. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722–1796, alt.

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*GREETING

- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you.



Kyrie eleison = Lord, have mercy

* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

- P: Followers of Christ, as we prepare to worship our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, let us call to mind our sins and make confession. Gracious God,
- All: our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. We confess them to you now. You alone know how often we have grieved you by wasting your gifts and by wandering from your ways. Forgive us and free us from our sin. Renew in us the grace and strength of your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior. Amen.
- P: May Almighty God, whose love knows no ends, have mercy upon you, forgive you all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

"SHINE, JESUS, SHINE" Worship & Praise vv1,3





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* PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen!

PRESENTATION OF QUILTS TO 2021 GRADUATES

Megan Ewert Dominik Harry

PRAYER FOR THE GRADUATES

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.

SCRIPTURE READING

I John 5:9-13

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son.

Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

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

* GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "HALLE, HALLE HALLELUJAH"

ELW #172



Music: Caribbean traditional; arr. Mark Sedio, b. 1954

*GOSPEL

P: The Holy Gospel..., C: Glory to you, O Lord.

John 17:6-19

I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them.

And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world.

Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth

P: The Gospel of the Lord, C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON "Set Apart for the Truth" Pastor David Strom

HYMN OF THE DAY "BORNING CRY"

ELW 732 vv. 1-3



Text: John C. Ylvisaker, b. 1937 Music: John C. Ylvisaker

WATERLIFE 9796D

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM FOR NEW MEMBERS

PRESENTATION

Pastor, a representative of the congregation, and those making affirmation gather at the Font.

Representative of congregation presents those making affirmation.

R: I present new members and members desiring to affirm their faith:

Krehl, Meghan and Maddie Stringer

P: Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for these friends, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished them in the community of faith. Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

C: Amen.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Presiding minister addresses those making public affirmation of membership. The assembly may stand and join in the responses.

P: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Response: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Response: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Response: I renounce them.

The presiding minister includes the assembly.

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and

earth.

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C: 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.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: 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.

P: You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,

to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

New Members respond:

I do and I ask God to help and guide me.

The minister addresses the congregation.

P: People of God, do you promise to support these friends and pray for them in their life in Christ?C: We do, and we ask God to help us.

PRAYER AND BLESSING OF NEW MEMBERS

P: Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin and raise us to eternal life. Father in heaven, for Jesus' sake, stir up in these members of the body of Christ (Krehl, Meghan, and Maddie Stringer), the gift of your Holy Spirit; confirm their faith, guide their lives, empower them in their serving, give them patience in suffering, and bring them to everlasting life.

C: Amen.

Those making public affirmation stand and face the assembly. A representative of the congregation addresses the assembly.

R: Let us rejoice with these friends in Christ.

C: We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

*** PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Each petition will end with the words, "Hear us O God." The congregation is invited to respond: **"Your mercy is** great."

P: The Peace of Christ be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE**

OFFERING

***OFFERTORY**



Text and music: Henry Smith Text and music © 1978 Integrity's Hosanna! Music

* OFFERING PRAYER

P: Risen One, as you broke bread with the disciples on the shore, meet us now in this meal. Nourish us to follow you, using our gifts to feed the hungry and tend the weary, and all for your love's sake.

C: Amen.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

***GREAT THANKSGIVING**

P: The Lord be with you
C: And also with you.
P: Lift up your hearts
C: We lift them to the Lord.
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

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



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*** WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

* THE 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, the power, and the glory, forever and ever.

Amen.

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

- P: Living God, you have greeted us in our brokenness and nourished us with the body of Christ, broken for us. Risen to new life with you, send us now to bear your healing love into the wounded world, in the name of our risen Savior and Lord.
- C: Amen

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

***FINAL BLESSING**

P: May the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in

us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN "THY WORD"

Praise Chorus #234 vv. 1,2



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- P: Go in peace and serve the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

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Augustana's Calendar May 9th through May 15th

Sun.	5/16	10:00 am	Worship Service
Tue.	5/18	5:00 pm	Outreach Board meeting
Thur.	5/20	9:00 am	Piecemakers Quilting
		12:00 pm	Bible Study

SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS - Each Sunday we will need a greeter for the Welcome Table, a reader, and two ushers. If you would like to volunteer, please let Angie know or sign up at the welcome table in the gathering space.

BIRTHDAYS – Happy Birthday to our Augustana members who have birthdays this week!

- 5/16 David Johnson
- 5/18 Mary Ann Anderson
- 5/21 Jon Nygaard, Jr.
- 5/22 Waverly McCarty

ANNIVERSARY – Happy Anniversary to June and Harold Duebbert on May 20th!

SENIOR RECOGNITION SUNDAY – Today, Sunday, May 16th we will be recognizing our graduates, Megan Ewert and Dominik Harry during worship. Congratulations Megan and Dominik!

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY – Today, Sunday, May 16th, we will be receiving new members. Krehl, Meghan, and Maddie Stringer will be joining Augustana. Welcome to the Augustana church family!

HERO DRIVE - First Lutheran Church in Fergus Falls hosts an equipment and supply drive for the Healthcare Equipment Recycling Organization (HERO), through May. Clean, used healthcare equipment and new unopened healthcare supplies are needed. Please drop off items inside First Lutheran Church's main entrance Monday – Thursday between 8:00 AM and 4:30 PM. Donations accepted now through May 31. For larger items, please call or text Steve Guttormson at 218-770-7274 to arrange for drop off.

OUTREACH BOARD MEETING – The next Outreach Board meeting will Tuesday, May 18th at 5:00 pm in the fellowship hall. Please let Peggy Underwood know if you are able to attend.

OUTDOOR MUSIC – Pastor David and his band, Motu, will be playing outside today 2:30-4:30 pm. They will be on the south side of the church near the playground. Bring a lawn chair!

DRIVE THROUGH COMMUNION – Pastor David will be distributing communion in the circle drive on Wednesday, May 19th, 5:00-6:00 pm.

Augustana Lutheran Church's Welcome Statement

We extend a special welcome to those who are single, married, divorced, widowed, straight, gay, confused, well-off or down on your luck. We especially welcome crying babies and excited toddlers. We welcome single parent families and those with no family at all, individuals with special needs and individuals in need of Christ's love. We welcome you whether you can sing like Michael Buble or just growl quietly to yourself. You're welcome here if you're just browsing, just woke up or just got out of prison. It makes no difference to us if you were awarded a Sunday School Perfect Attendance Pin or you haven't been to church since Christmas Eve Service when you were five.

We extend a special welcome to those who are over 60 but not grown up yet and to teenagers who are growing up too fast. We welcome those with an 11:30 tee-time, and those with nowhere to be, active duty military members, veterans, keep-fit moms, football dads, starving artists, tree huggers, latte sippers, vegetarians, junk food eaters, teetotalers and homebrewers. We welcome those who are in recovery or still addicted. We welcome you if you're having problems, are down in the dumps or don't like organized religion. We offer welcome to those who think the Earth is flat, work too hard, don't work, can't spell, or are here because you're visiting Grandma and she insisted on coming. We welcome those who are tattooed, pierced, both or neither.

We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, had religion shoved down their throats as kids or took a wrong turn on Cascade Avenue and ended up here by mistake. We don't believe it was by mistake. We welcome pilgrims, vacationers, seekers, skeptics, believers in God, people in need of a God who believes in them, and, of course, you.

* The origin of Augustana's Welcome Statement is a bit mysterious. It was adopted at Coventry Cathedral in England but shared with their minister by a friend from the US. Later, the minister of Coventry Cathedral was contacted and told that it came originally from a small church in Wales who simply asked that whenever it was used people would thank God for its writer. We thank God for the writer and for those who contributed to its present adaptation and, especially, for those who strive to live out Jesus' wide welcome day after day.