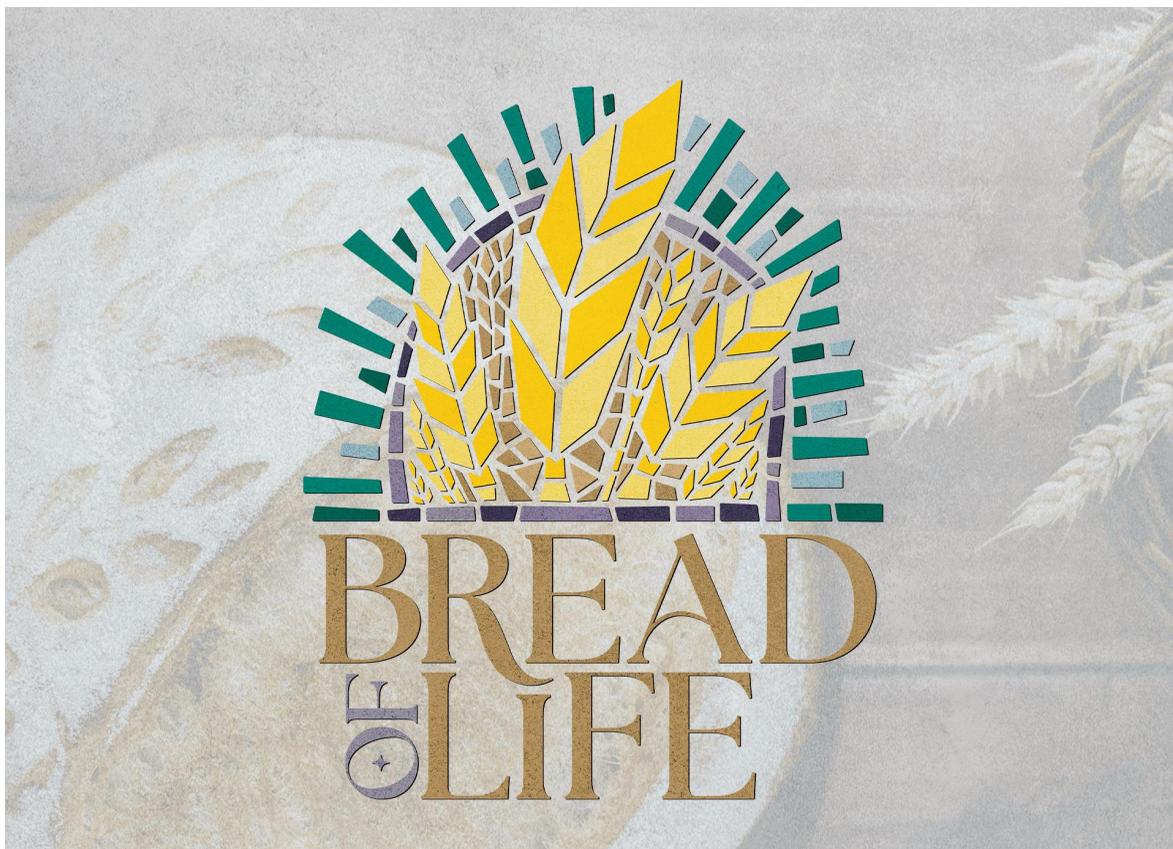


Second Sunday in Lent

March 1, 2026



10 a.m. Worship
Augustana Lutheran Church
Pastor *Amy Kelly*
Accompanist *Anne Hintz*

GATHERING

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

(*stand if able)

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*OPENING HYMN "Lift High the Cross"

ELW #660



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till



all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.



- 1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,
- 2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied
- 3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
- 4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Refrain



our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
bear on their brows the seal of him who died.
as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.
praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

Text: George W. Kitchin, 1827–1912; rev. Michael R. Newbolt, 1874–1956

Music: CRUCIFER, Sydney H. Nicholson, 1875–1947

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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.

“Change My Heart, O God”

ELW #801

Refrain

Change my heart, O God; make it ev-er true.

Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.

End

You are the pot - ter; I am the clay.

Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.

Refrain

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin before God, who removes our guilt and blots out all offenses.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P: For seeking worldly delights that deceive us and dishonor you:
Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P: For desiring self-reliance instead of hungering for your word:
Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P: For failing to recognize your coming reign, and for hindering the work of the Spirit: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P: For drawing from the well of self-serving ambition, and for disdain the living water Christ offers: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P: For disregarding voices from the margin, and for distrusting signs of your healing and hope in the world: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P: God's steadfast love, grace, and forgiveness abound. Through faith, the free gift of God, you have been clothed in the righteousness of Christ. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. The Spirit of the One who raised Christ from the dead dwells in you, pours God's love into your hearts, and gives you life and peace.

C: Amen.

***KYRIE**

Leader sings vs. 1 & 4; All Refrain

Refrain



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.

Last time



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, ev - 'ry day.



- 1 For peace in the world, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im -
- 3 For peace in our hearts, for
- 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you



health of the church, for the u - ni - ty of all;
passioned re - sponse to the hun - gry and the poor;
peace in our homes, for friends and fam - i - ly;
cen - ter our lives in the wa - ter and the word;



for this ho - ly house, for all who wor - ship and praise,
that we may live out . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,
for life and for love, . . . for our work and our play,
that you nour - ish our souls . . . with your bo - dy and blood,

Refrain



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O God, our leader and guide, in the waters of baptism you bring us to new birth to live as your children. Strengthen our faith in your promises, that by your Spirit we may lift up your life to all the world through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S WORD

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

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 121

- ¹ I lift up my eyes to the hills—
 from where will my help come?
- ² My help comes from the LORD,
 who made heaven and earth.
- ³ He will not let your foot be moved;
 he who keeps you will not slumber.
- ⁴ He who keeps Israel
 will neither slumber nor sleep.
- ⁵ The LORD is your keeper;
 the LORD is your shade at your right hand.
- ⁶ The sun shall not strike you by day
 nor the moon by night.
- ⁷ The LORD will keep you from all evil;
 he will keep your life.
- ⁸ The LORD will keep
 your going out and your coming in
 from this time on and forevermore.

P: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *“Sanctuary”*

Lord, pre - pare me to be a sanc - tu - ar - y, pure and

The first system of the musical score is in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The lyrics are: "Lord, pre - pare me to be a sanc - tu - ar - y, pure and".

3
ho - ly, tried and true; With thanks - giv - ing, I'll be a

The second system of the musical score continues from the first. It is marked with a '3' above the first measure of the vocal line. The lyrics are: "ho - ly, tried and true; With thanks - giv - ing, I'll be a".

6
liv - ing sanc - tu - ar - y for You.

The third system of the musical score concludes the piece. It is marked with a '6' above the first measure of the vocal line. The lyrics are: "liv - ing sanc - tu - ar - y for You." The piece ends with a double bar line.

GOSPEL

P: The Holy Gospel according to John.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

John 3:1-17

¹ Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ² He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with that person.” ³ Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” ⁴ Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” ⁵ Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶ What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ ⁸ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” ⁹ Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” ¹⁰ Jesus answered him, “Are you the teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

¹¹ “Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen, yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹² If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³ No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴ And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵ that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶ “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

¹⁷ “Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might be saved through him.

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Pastor Amy Kelly

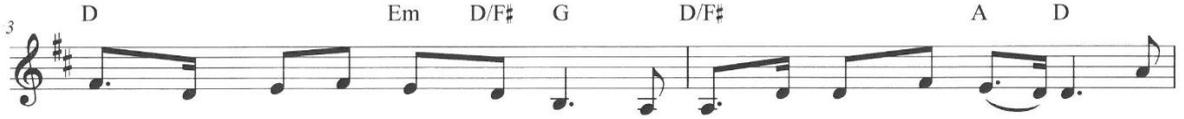
HYMN OF THE DAY "How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

VERSE

♩ = 54



1. How deep the Fa - ther's love for us, how vast be - yond all meas - ure that
 (2. Be) hold the Man up - on a cross, my sin up - on His shoul - ders. A -
 (3. I) will not boast in an - y - thing: No gifts, no pow'r, no wis - dom. But



He should give His on - ly Son to make a wretch His treas - ure. How
 shamed, I hear my mock - ing voice call out a - mong the scof - fers. It
 I will boast in Je - sus Christ: His death and res - ur - rec - tion. Why



great the pain of sear - ing loss. The Fa - ther turns His face a - way as
 was my sin that held Him there un - til it was ac - com - plished; His
 should I gain from His re - ward? I can - not give an an - swer. But

TURNAROUND



wounds which mar the Cho - sen One bring man - y sons to glo - ry.
 dy - ing breath has brought me life. I know that it is fin - ished.
 this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ran - som.

***APOSTLES' CREED**

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

**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.**

**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 will end with the words, "Hear us O God"
The congregation responds, "**Your mercy is great**"

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

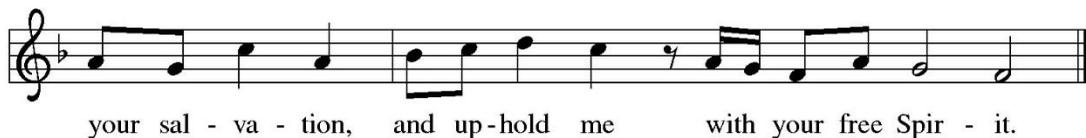
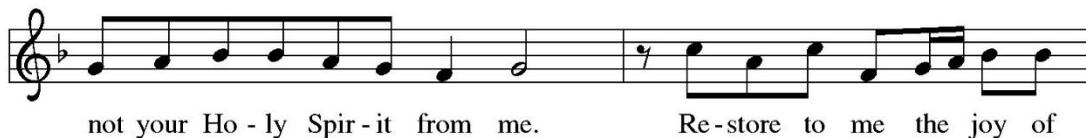
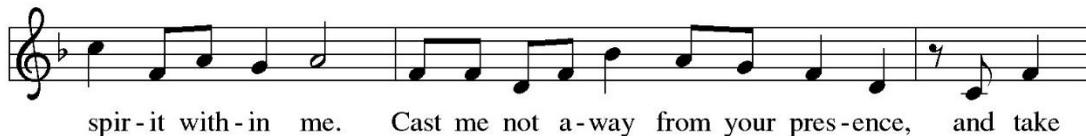
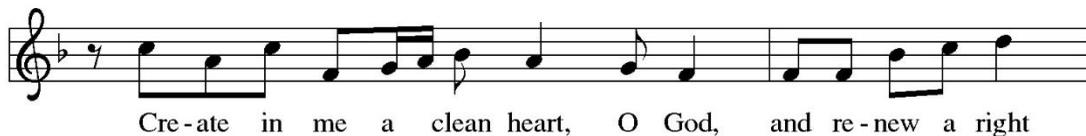
P: The Peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING

***OFFERTORY** “*Create in Me a Clean Heart*”

ELW #186



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***OFFERING PRAYER**

P: O God, maker of heaven and earth, your steadfast love embraces all creation. You send rain and sunshine to nourish the earth and bring forth its bounty. Through these gifts of bread and wine, draw us into the death and life of your Son, who calls us to bear witness to his saving work. We ask this in Jesus' name.

C: Amen.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

DISTRIBUTION

*Communion is at the altar. You will be ushered forward.
Grape juice is in the center of the tray.*

COMMUNION HYMN

"Here is Bread"

W&P 58



1 Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us,
 2 Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us,
 3 Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us,



he is with us. Break the bread, taste the wine,
 he is with us. Know his grace, find his peace,
 he is with us. We'll pro - claim till he comes



Christ is with us here.
 feast on Je - sus here.
 Je - sus cru - ci - fied.

Refrain



In this bread there is heal - ing, in this cup is



life for - ev - er. In this mo - ment, by the Spir - it,



Christ is with us here.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: God of our salvation, we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls, reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey. Through the body and blood of your Son, may we become Christ's body in the world, bearing witness to your love for all creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

***BLESSING**

P: May the triune God, who is with you always and loves you through it all ✠ bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

***SENDING HYMN** "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

ELW #773



1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand,
2 When my way grows . . drear, pre-cious Lord, lin - ger near,
3 When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws . . near,



I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
when my life is . . . al - most . . gone,
and the day is . . . past and . . . gone,



Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.
hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall.
at the riv - er I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand.



Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.

Text: Thomas A. Dorsey, 1899–1993
Music: George N. Allen, 1812–1877, adapt. Thomas A. Dorsey

PRECIOUS LORD
Irregular

***DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

AUGUSTANA'S CALENDAR

Sun	3/1	9:15 a.m. 10 a.m. 1 – 2:30 p.m.	Coffee fellowship Worship; February birthday celebration following worship Bowling at Northern Aire Lanes
Wed	3/4	6:30 p.m.	Lenten Worship @ Hope
Thu	3/5	9 a.m. 12 p.m.	Piecemakers Quilting Bible Study
Sun	3/8	9:15 a.m. 10 a.m.	Coffee fellowship Worship; Coffee Fellowship following worship

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Lenten Series
5:30 Meal; 6:30 Worship

- February 25, Hope
- March 4, Hope
- March 11, Augustana
- March 18, Zion
- March 25, Zion