

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 30, 2026



WELCOME
to Worship!

9:30 a.m. Worship
Augustana Lutheran Church
Pastor Amy Kelly
Accompanist *Kaele Peterson*

GATHERING

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

*(*stand if able)*

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVOCATION

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

C: Amen.

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, one God, the Creator of wind and rain
field and ocean, the Bread of Life who has come down from above, the
Spirit at work within us and this world. **C: Amen.**

P: Before God and in the company of our sisters and brothers, let us
confess our sin.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: God and Father of all,

**C: we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word,
and deed. We have thought better of ourselves than others. We have
told lies, said hurtful things, acted in ways we wish we could take
back, and looked the other way when action was needed. In your
mercy, O God, forgive us, cleanse us, and heal us, for the sake of
Jesus, our Savior. Amen.**

P: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; everything has become new! In Christ, you are a new creation: your sins are taken away, and you are made new. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. **C: Amen.**

***GATHERING HYMN** *"Will You Come and Follow Me"*

ELW #798



- 1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
- 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
- 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
- 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
- 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your	name?	Will	you	go	where	you	don't
your	name?	Will	you	care	for	cruel	and
your	name?	Will	you	set	the	pris -	'ners
your	name?	Will	you	quell	the	fear	in -
my	name.	Let	me	turn	and	fol -	low



know	and	nev -	er	be	the	same?
kind	and	nev -	er	be	the	same?
free	and	nev -	er	be	the	same?
side	and	nev -	er	be	the	same?
you	and	nev -	er	be	the	same.

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Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
world a - round, through my sight and touch and
foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
pray'r in you and you in me?"
mean in you and you in me?"
sound in you and you in me?"
grow in you and you in me.

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Music: KELVINGROVE, Scottish traditional
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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

Leader sings vs. 1,3 & 4; all sing 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, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

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

CHILDREN'S WORD – Holy Play

Psalm 26:1-8

- ¹ Vindicate me, O LORD,
for I have walked in my integrity,
and I have trusted in the LORD without wavering.
- ² Prove me, O LORD, and try me;
test my heart and mind.
- ³ For your steadfast love is before my eyes,
and I walk in faithfulness to you.
- ⁴ I do not sit with the worthless,
nor do I consort with hypocrites;
- ⁵ I hate the company of evildoers
and will not sit with the wicked.
- ⁶ I wash my hands in innocence
and go around your altar, O LORD,
- ⁷ singing aloud a song of thanksgiving
and telling all your wondrous deeds.
- ⁸ O LORD, I love the house in which you dwell
and the place where your glory abides.

Romans 12:9-21

⁹ Let love be genuine; hate what is evil; hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰ love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹ Do not lag in zeal; be ardent in spirit; serve the Lord. ¹² Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere in prayer. ¹³ Contribute to the needs of the saints; pursue hospitality to strangers.

¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another; do not be arrogant, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸ If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

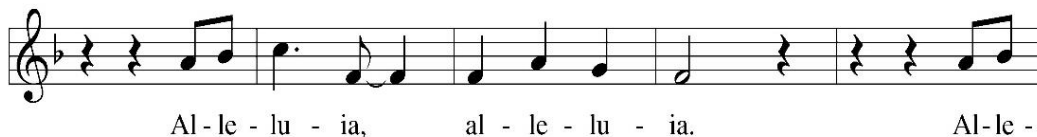
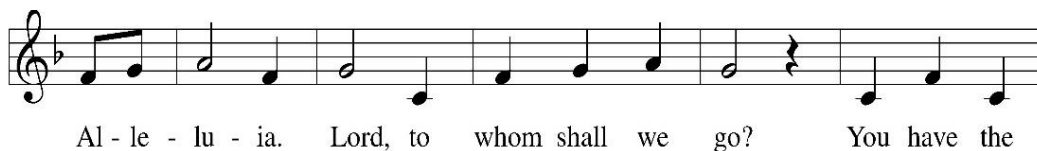
¹⁹ Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰ Instead, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink, for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." ²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

P: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Alleluia"**

Setting 8, pg. 188



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***GOSPEL**

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 16:21-28

²¹ From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes and be killed and on the third day be raised. ²² And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." ²³ But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me, for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

²⁴ Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵ For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. ²⁶ For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

²⁷ "For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. ²⁸ Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Pastor Amy Kelly

HYMN OF THE DAY "Spirit, Open my Heart"

ACS

1 Spir - it, o - pen my heart to the
2 God, re - place my ston - y heart with a
3 Write your love up - on my heart as my
4 May I weep with those who weep, share the

B $\flat$ C Dm B $\natural$

joy and pain of liv - ing. As you love
heart that's kind and ten - der. All my cold -
law, my goal, my sto - ry. In each thought,
joy of sis - ter, broth - er. In the wel -

C Dm F/C Gm F/A

may I love, in re - ceiv - ing and in
ness and fear, to your grace I now sur -
word, and deed, may my liv - ing bring you -
come of Christ, may we wel - come one an -

B $\flat$ C7 F B $\flat$ F

giv - ing, ren - der. glo - ry. oth - er. Spir - it, o - pen my heart.

Words: Ruth Duck, 1947–

Music: Irish melody; arr. Arthur G. Clyde, 1940–, alt.

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7.8.6.8. and refrain

WILD MOUNTAIN THYME

***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, "Lord in your mercy,"
The congregation responds with, "**Hear our prayer.**"

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

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

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Give Thanks"

W&P #41

Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,
give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.
Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,
give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.
And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am
rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. And
now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am
rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

Last time

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*OFFERING PRAYER

P: Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.

C: Amen.

MEAL *God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

***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

All are welcome at Christ's table, you will be ushered forward.

Grape juice is in the center of the tray. Gluten-free wafers, please request.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN “Taste and See”

ELW #493

Refrain – All

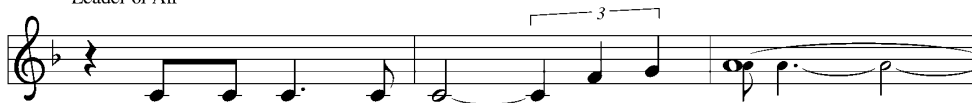


Taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord. Oh,



taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

Leader or All



1 I will bless the Lord at all times.
2 Glo - ri - fy the Lord with . . me.
3 Wor - ship . . . the Lord, all you peo-ple.



Praise shall al - ways be on my lips;
To - geth - er let us all praise God's name.
You'll want for noth-ing . . . if you ask.



my soul shall glo - ry in the Lord;
I called the Lord, . . who an - swered me;
Taste and see . . . that the Lord is good;

Refrain



for God has been so good to me.
from all my trou - bles I was set free.
in God we need put all our trust.

Text: James E. Moore Jr., b. 1951, based on Ps. 34

Music: TASTE AND SEE, James E. Moore Jr.

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P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.

C: Amen.

***BLESSING**

***SENDING HYMN** *“Let All Things Now Living”*

ELW #881

1 Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing to
2 God rules all the forc - es: the stars in their cours-es and

God the cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,
sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;

who fash - ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us, who
the hills and the moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains, the

still guides us on to the end of our days.
deeps of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.

God's ban - ners are o'er us, God's light goes be -
We too should be voic - ing our love and re -

fore us, a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night,
joic - ing; with glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise

till shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is ban - ished, as
till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing: "To

for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"

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***DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

AUGUSTANA CALENDAR

Sun	8/30	9:30 a.m.	Worship; August birthday celebration following worship
Thu	9/1	9 a.m. 12 p.m.	Piecemakers Quilting Bible Study
Sun	9/6	9:30 a.m.	Worship; Coffee fellowship following Worship
Mon	9/7	<i>Labor Day – Office Closed</i>	

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Circle News

Deborah and Ruth Circles will meet together on Sept. 8 at 11 a.m. in the fellowship hall at Augustana. The Bible Study is from "Bible Women," pages 299-303.



Drive for Dollars - Augustana's fall giving campaign will kick-off on Sunday, September 20 and the goal is \$16,000. We would like to secure the first half of the goal, prior to kick-off of the Vikings vs. Bears game. If you would like to contribute toward the first \$8,000 of the campaign goal, please let Pr. Amy or a member of the Stewardship Committee know. Gobble Up turkey will be served, bring a dish to share! Thank you for your consideration!

Stewardship Committee: Jon Nygaard, Sr., Janet Swenson, Cornel Walker, Mike Winge, or Dacia Johnson