



Drive In Worship

November 22, 2020

8:30 & 9:45 am

Tune in to 90.1 FM on your radio to receive the sound.

*Holy Communion will be served today during worship.
Individually packaged grape juice and wafers will be
safely distributed to your vehicle once you have parked.
If you require a gluten-free wafer, please let the usher know.*

Prelude: **Beautiful Savior**

arr. Charles Ore

Announcements

Call to Worship/Opening Prayer

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And Also with you.

Prayer of the Day

God, whose fondness for humanity knows no limit, write your word upon our hearts, so that we need no scroll, no book, no script to know that you love us. Show us the power of your covenant, that you will be faithful to us, even when we fail to remain faithful to you. For the beauty of your word inscribed upon us, we pray, in the name of the one whose body and blood became your new covenant with us, Jesus Christ, our redeemer. Amen

Order for Confession and Forgiveness:

P: Most Merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Anthem: **God of Grace**

Augustana Choir Men

John Hughes

Lesson: Jeremiah 36:1-8, 21-23, 27-28; 31:31-34 NSRV

In the fourth year of King Jehoiakim son of Josiah of Judah, this word came to Jeremiah from the LORD: Take a scroll and write on it all the words that I have spoken to you against Israel and Judah and all the nations, from the day I spoke to you, from the days of Josiah until today. It may be that when the house of Judah hears of all the disasters that I intend to do to them, all of them may turn from their evil ways, so that I may forgive their iniquity and their sin. Then Jeremiah called Baruch son of Neriah, and Baruch wrote on a scroll at Jeremiah's dictation all the words of the

LORD that he had spoken to him. And Jeremiah ordered Baruch, saying, "I am prevented from entering the house of the LORD; so you go yourself, and on a fast day in the hearing of the people in the LORD's house you shall read the words of the LORD from the scroll that you have written at my dictation. You shall read them also in the hearing of all the people of Judah who come up from their towns. It may be that their plea will come before the LORD, and that all of them will turn from their evil ways, for great is the anger and wrath that the LORD has pronounced against this people." And Baruch son of Neriah did all that the prophet Jeremiah ordered him about reading from the scroll the words of the LORD in the LORD's house. Then the king sent Jehudi to get the scroll, and he took it from the chamber of Elishama the secretary; and Jehudi read it to the king and all the officials who stood beside the king. Now the king was sitting in his winter apartment (it was the ninth month), and there was a fire burning in the brazier before him. As Jehudi read three or four columns, the king would cut them off with a penknife and throw them into the fire in the brazier, until the entire scroll was consumed in the fire that was in the brazier. Now, after the king had burned the scroll with the words that Baruch wrote at Jeremiah's dictation, the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah: Take another scroll and write on it all the former words that were in the first scroll, which King Jehoiakim of Judah has burned.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt — a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Sermon:

God's Word; Burning

Pastor Mark Aune

Hymn of the Day: **Beautiful Savior**

ELW #838, stanzas 1, 3, 4

Beautiful Savior, King of creation, Son of God and Son of Man!

Truly I'd love thee, truly I'd serve thee, light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight, bright the sparkling stars on high;

Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels in the sky.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor,
praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine!

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 Church

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread; forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Communion Distribution

Post Communion Blessing & Prayer

Benediction:

Closing Hymn: **Crown Him with Many Crowns**

ELW #855, stanzas 1, 4, 5

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne;
hark, how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless king through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave
and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of years, the potentate of time,
creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me;
thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

Postlude: **Crown Him with Many Crowns**

arr. Wilbur Held

Serving in worship today:

Pastor Mark Aune
Pastor Deb Kielsmeier
Pastoral Intern: Michael Poeschl
Organist: Kris Langlois
Song Leaders: Karen, Rachel & Bill Larson
Lay Reader: Amanda Oster

**Baptized in the Christian faith and into
the Augustana Family this week:**

~Brooks Randall Bjorklund, son of Jack
& Makenzie Bjorklund. Sponsors for
Brooks are Reid Bjorklund & Mikayla
Garibay.



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The *Ripple Effect* of Faith

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CONGREGATIONAL

Celebration Worship Today:

11:00 am in the Fellowship Hall—final in-person worship

Please follow the directions of the ushers for all safety practices and procedures. **Today is the last day of in-person worship until further notice.**

Women's Coffee & Conversation

VIRTUAL: Monday, November 30 (No meeting November 23)

We will finish out the season virtually on November 30. Please email Stacy at secardwell@augustana.com for information.

Dialogues on Race by Spark House- DVD study

We will finish this series virtually; there will be NO in-person sessions at the church.

Zoom: Sundays, through November 22, 7:00-8:00 pm

Contact Stacy at secardwell@augustana.com.

Wednesday Night Zoom Bible Study

Wednesdays, 6:00—7:00 pm (No study this week, 11/25)

Join one of the pastors for this Bible study focusing on the preaching text for the upcoming Sunday. To be part of this online study and discussion, contact Barb Rolfes in the church office at brolfes@augustana.com or 651-457-3373.

Poinsettia Delivery Volunteers Needed

Delivery to homebound members beginning December 14

Augustana will be delivering poinsettia plants to our homebound members before the Christmas holiday. We need volunteers to help deliver. All COVID safety measures will be followed. If you are available to help, please call the church office and sign up: 651-457-3373. Poinsettias can be picked up at Augustana beginning December 14 during church office business hours.

Christmas Eve Online Worship

Thursday, December 24,

Plan to include one or both of Augustana's virtual Christmas Eve worship services. Two online worship experiences will be available at 8:00 am on December 24.

Family Worship with Pastor Deb and Cathy Hendrikson.

Candlelight Worship with scripture, sermon, as well as beautiful music, culminating in the Augustana tradition of lighting candles as we sing *Silent Night*.

UPCOMING HOLIDAY EVENTS*

****Please review all events and dates for changes; due to the latest pandemic guidelines, all in-person activities have been cancelled and the church will be closed as of November 23.***

Thanksgiving Eve Online Worship, Prayer & Pie Pick-Up Wednesday, November 25

Online Worship posted at noon - go to augustana.com, select *New Ways to Gather/COVID*. You may also watch on our Facebook page or YouTube channel.

Prayer & Pie, 4:00—6:00 pm, Augustana north pkg lot

PRAYER: The pastoral staff will be available to offer a Thanksgiving blessing as you remain in your car.

PIE: While supplies last, pick up a piece of COVID-safe wrapped pieces of pie for you and those in your vehicle. Apple, pecan, and pumpkin pie will be available along with gluten-free pumpkin pie.

Holiday Memorial Service

VIRTUAL: Saturday, December 12

This service will be pre-recorded and posted at augustana.com and Augustana social media by 8:00 am Saturday morning. You can view it any time after 8:00 am and throughout the week. This service is a beautiful time of remembering and healing for those who have lost a loved one. To view the video, visit augustana.com, select *New Ways to Gather/COVID-19* from the upper menu. Scroll down to *Most Recent Offering*, select Holiday Memorial Service video.

Augustana's First Ever Drive-Thru Nativity

Friday & Saturday, December 18 & 19, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Come anytime between 6-8:00 pm and follow the luminaries through the Augustana Parking lot with your family and friends. The Christmas Story will be told as you pass by eight different stations/scenes including Mary and Joseph enroute to Bethlehem, the shepherds in the field, and more. Plan for 10-15 minutes to complete the drive-thru. Pick up your favorite bag of Fair Trade coffee, chocolate, nuts and more at the Bethlehem market as you conclude your experience.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, & FAMILY

Confirmation

No Confirmation Groups meet Wednesday, November 25. Enjoy the Thanksgiving Eve Worship service on Augustana's social media outlets. Beginning Wednesday, December 2, all Confirmation instruction will be virtual. Contact Abby for more information at anorlinweaver@augustana.com.

Children...come sing on Zoom!

Thursdays, through December 3, 6:30-7:00 pm.

Are you missing our singing time together? If you have 30 minutes free on Thursday evenings, 6:30-7:00, please join us for a Zoom Sing. We will sing carols and other fun pieces. We are hoping to record your voices at the church on Wednesday, December 9, at 6:30. This is an optional recording. Students will wear masks, be social distanced from their fellow singers, and all safety practices maintained to remain safe. In times of challenge, what better way to show our resiliency and faith than sharing our love for God through music. Please join us whenever you can, for however long as possible, even if it's just to wave hello and share a friendly smile.

Zoom Sings: Thursdays, 6:30-7:00 pm

November 12 - December 3

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86101240645>

Augustana Baptism Class

Wednesday, December 2 at 6:00 pm

If you desire baptism for yourself or an infant or child, we ask that you attend one of our monthly baptism classes led by Pastor Deb Kielsmeier. During this time of COVID, these 45 minutes classes will be conducted over Zoom. We will discuss the meaning of Christian Baptism and the importance of this sacrament. Please contact Barb Rolfes in the office at brolfes@augustana.com or 651.457.3373 to reserve your spot in one of the classes. Classes will be cancelled if no one is registered. More classes will be scheduled in 2021.

Christmas Eve Family Worship

Tune in anytime Christmas Eve to the Augustana Facebook page, the church website or our YouTube page and join Pastor Deb and Cathy for a fun family worship experience.

UPCOMING HOLIDAY EVENTS

Ornament Make and Take

Pick Up Wednesday, December 9 from 6:00—7:00 pm

The ornament make and take will be an at-home event this year. Kits will be available for pick up that include all of the pieces you will need to make 8-10 ornaments with your family in the comfort of your home. To reserve your kit, please email Cathy at chendrikson@augustana.com.

Open Air Bus Christmas Light Tour

Friday, December 11, 6:15 pm & 7:00 pm

Saturday, December 12, 7:45 pm

COST: \$10 per person

Don't let this cold and crazy winter stop you from having fun! In this unusual year, let's be bold, embrace the cold, and make your holidays brighter by joining in this fun evening. There will be holiday lights, music, AND Santa and a lively Elf on each tour. We have 12 tickets for each time slot, which includes children of all ages and all adults. Everyone **MUST** have a ticket to get on the bus, no matter how old they are. Dress for the weather, bring a blanket to cover up with if it's cold. Bring your own beverages and snacks if you wish for the tour. Pick up location is at the Microtel Inn & Suites, 5681 Bishop Ave, Inver Grove Heights. The bus will leave promptly at the tour time - don't be late or you'll be left behind! Sign-up with Sign Up Genius and search with the email chendrikson@augustana.com or use this link, <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0848AAAA22A0F94-christmas>. Payment must be received within 5 days of signing up or spots will be deleted and opened up for others. Don't wait to sign-up and pay as we only have these three dates and times!

Senior High Sunday

Sunday, December 13 at 6:00 pm on Zoom

Augustana youth & friends in grades 9-12 are invited to join an online gingerbread contest. From the comfort of your own home we'll gather on Zoom to see who can make the best gingerbread house within the guidelines shared at the beginning of our gathering. Supplies will be provided ahead of time. Email Abby at anorlinweaver@augustana.com by December 9 if you would like to participate.

SERVICE & OUTREACH

Volunteer with Neighbors Holiday Gift Program November 2 – December 18, Monday – Fridays from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm and 1:00 – 4:00 pm.

Looking for ways to help others? Local mission partner, Neighbors Inc. has an opportunity for you. The Holiday Gift Program at Neighbors partners donors in the community with families with children and seniors who could use a little help having a brighter Christmas each year. Last year over 700 families were served, and we anticipate a similar need this year. Neighbors needs active volunteers who are able to store and retrieve packages. These volunteers are called “Runners,” and you might be able to use this time on your gym class activity log! A successful completion of an application and orientation is required before scheduling your shifts. Up to two volunteers can work at this same time, so grab a friend and enjoy getting ready for the holiday season! <https://www.volgistics.com/ex/portal.dll/ap?ap=111528919>

Wreaths Across America at Fort Snelling Saturday, December 19, 12:00 PM

Join other volunteers as we honor our brave men and women who are laid to rest at Fort Snelling by helping lay wreaths on each of their graves. All ages are welcome to participate. Please meet at the main entrance at 11:50am for a short program and to get directions. Email chendrikson@augustana.com to sign up.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR DRIVE THRU NATIVITY Friday & Saturday, December 18 & 19

One hour shifts 6:00pm-8:00pm each night.
Volunteers of all ages are needed to help make our drive-thru nativity a great event. Volunteers are needed to be in the drive-thru scenes (no lines to memorize or perform), help with traffic flow, work in the Bethlehem Market and other general duties. Take a look at our Sign-Up genius post for available positions. This would be a great opportunity for youth of all ages, adults and especially confirmation youth who need service credits. Email Cathy at chendrikson@augustana.com or search signupgenius.com with Cathy’s email for more information.

Virtual Giving Fair

December 1 - 10

Our mission partners count on donations from the generous people at Augustana during the holidays. Below are links and ways you can still give during the holiday season without leaving your home.

Adopt-a-Family from Neighbors Inc

For more information or to select a family to adopt, visit Neighbors Inc at: <https://neighborsmn.org/donate/holiday-donations>

Neighbors Sponsor a Holiday Meal—Meals are \$40

Checks can be made payable to Augustana with “Holiday Meal” in the memo and sent to church office.

ELCA Good Gifts

To purchase animals, PPE, hygiene supplies, etc for those in need around the world, visit: <https://goodgifts.elca.org>

My Very Own Bed

Items needed: Twin size sheets, mattress pads, comforters or Bed-in-a-Bag can be dropped off in the church office and we will deliver them to My Very Own Bed in Minneapolis.

Guatemala Scholarship and Tanzania Widow’s Might Fund

Checks can be made payable to Augustana with “Guatemala Scholarship Fund or Tanzania Widow’s Might” in the memo of your check and sent to the church office.

Rezek House and Life Haven/LSS of MN

For a list of what is needed at both of these places, visit <https://augustana.com/ACT/Serve Our Local Community>

Adopt-a-Teen/ LSS of MN

For more information or to adopt a teen, visit: <https://lssmn.org/services/youth-homelessness/twin-cities/sponsor-a-youth/signup>

Foster Care Programs/ LSS of MN

Items needed include: winter hats, mittens, scarves, jackets, snow pants, board games, card games, puzzles, activity books, and crayons, for children of all ages. Items can be dropped off in the church office. Please mark your items with LSS Foster Care.

Lyngblomsten’s Annual Spirit of Giving Program for residents and tenants.

Visit <https://augustana.com/ACT/Serve Our Local Community> for a list of requested items.