



Online, Drive-In, 11:00 In-Person Worship Traditional & Contemporary Service Bulletin

May 2, 2021

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Drive-In Worship tune into 90.1 to receive the sound.

Drive-In & Online Worship Prelude: Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen

Keith Kolander

Contemporary Worship Opening Hymn: **Soul On Fire**

Announcements

Drive-In & Online Call to Worship: **Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior**

Fanny Crosby & William Doane

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 also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Lord of all,

In Jesus you have made us all sisters and brothers in Christ. There is no distinction between Gentile and Jew. There is no separation that can remove any from fellowship in Christ's community. Blind us to our differences so that in unity we may proclaim your truth to all, for the sake of Jesus Christ in whom there is harmony and peace. 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.

Drive-In & Online Worship Anthem: **The Gift of Love**

arr. Hal Hopson

Anne Storlie, soprano; Janis Aune, harp; Beth Blackledge, flute

Drive-In Worship Offering

Contemporary Worship Hymn of the Day: **Grace Like Rain**

Lesson: Act 15:1-18 NRSV

Then certain individuals came down from Judea and were teaching the brothers, "Unless you are circumcised according to the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved." And after Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and debate with them, Paul and Barnabas and some of the others were appointed to go up to Jerusalem to discuss this question with the apostles and the elders. So they were sent on their way by the church, and as they passed through both Phoenicia and Samaria, they reported the conversion of the Gentiles, and brought great joy to all the believers. When they came to Jerusalem, they were welcomed by the church and the apostles and the elders, and they reported all that God had done with them. But some believers who belonged to the sect of the Pharisees stood up and said, "It is necessary for them to be circumcised and ordered to keep the law of Moses." The apostles and the elders met together to consider this matter. After there had been much debate, Peter stood up and said to them, "My brothers, you know that in the early days God made a choice among you, that I should be the one through whom the Gentiles would hear the message of the good news and become believers. And God, who knows the human heart, testified to them by giving them the Holy Spirit, just as he did to us; and in cleansing their hearts by faith he has made no distinction between them and us. Now therefore why are you putting God to the test by placing on the neck of the disciples a yoke that neither our ancestors nor we have been able to bear? On the contrary, we believe that we will be saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus, just as they will." The whole assembly kept silence, and listened to Barnabas and Paul as they told of all the signs and wonders that God had done through them among the Gentiles. After they finished speaking, James replied, "My brothers, listen to me. Simeon has related how God first looked favorably on the Gentiles, to take from among them a people for his name. This agrees with the words of the prophets, as it is written, 'After this I will return, and I will rebuild the dwelling of David, which has fallen; from its ruins I will rebuild it, and I will set it up, so that all other peoples may seek the Lord — even all the Gentiles over whom my name has been called. Thus says the Lord, who has been making these things known from long ago.'

Sermon:

Crossroads

Pastor Mark Aune

Drive-In & Online Hymn of the Day: **Holy Spirit, Truth Divine**

ELW #398, st. 1-3, 5

Holy Spirit, truth divine, dawn upon this soul of mine;
breath of God and inward light, wake my spirit, clear my sight.

Holy Spirit, love divine, glow within this heart of mine;
kindle ev'ry high desire; purge me with your holy fire.

Holy Spirit, pow'r divine, fortify this will of mine;
by your will I strongly live, bravely bear, and nobly strive.

Holy Spirit, right divine, king within my conscience reign;
be my guide, and I shall be firmly bound, forever free.

Contemporary Worship Anthem: **Holy Spirit**

Francesca Battistelli

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

Drive-In Worship 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.

Drive-In Worship Communion

Drive-In Worship Post Communion Blessing & Prayer

Drive-In & Online Worship Benediction:

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

Amen.

Contemporary Worship Benediction: **Amen (Because He Lives)**

Celebration Band

Worship Leader: Amen, Amen! I'm alive,

I'm alive because He lives!

**C: Amen! Amen! Let my song join the one that never ends,
Because He lives, Because He lives!**

Drive-In & Online Worship Closing Hymn: **O Holy Spirit, Root of Life**

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O Holy Spirit, root of life, creator, cleanser of all things:
anoint our wounds, awaken us with lustrous movement of your wings.

Eternal vigor, Saving One, you free us by your living Word,
becoming flesh to wear our pain, and all creation is restored.

O holy Wisdom, soaring pow'r, encompass us with wings unfurled,
and carry us, encircling all above, below, and through the world.

Contemporary Worship Closing Hymn: **Soul on Fire**

Drive-In & Online Worship Postlude: **Christ the Lord Is Risen Today**

arr. Robert Powell

Drive-In Worship:

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.

Serving in worship today:

Pastor Mark Aune

Pastor Deb Kielsmeier

Organist: Kris Langlois

Choir Director: Kathy Andrews

Celebration Music Director: Lisa Griffin

Song Leader/Soloist: Anne Storlie

Instruments: Janis Aune, harp

Beth Blackledge, flute

Lay Reader: Barbara Rolfes

Celebration Band: Marcae Bitzer, Keri Hommez, Tim Kuehl,

Ryan Engelhardt, Erik Saxton, Dave Hofgren,

Kellie Nitz, Jay Matuzak, Nathan Fryett

Media Team: Ken Fitzer, Matt Howard, Wayne Worth



Organist / Director of Instrumental Music Position

Augustana seeks a new **Organist / Director of Instrumental Music** to replace retiring organist, Kris Langlois. This position is vital to the music and worship ministries at Augustana. Besides serving as organist for Sunday, holiday and special worship services, the person who fills this position will collaborate on worship planning, accompany rehearsals and manage the Augustana Concert Series. We welcome qualified applicants and encourage referrals. If you know someone who may be interested in this position, please share this link to the Job Opportunities page on our website: <https://augustana.com/visit/about/job-postings/>

Business Administrator Position Remains Open

Please contact the church office if you are interested or know of someone who might be a good candidate for this part-time administrative position. The full job description is available at: <https://augustana.com/visit/about/job-postings/>

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ONLINE WORSHIP

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8:30 am Sanctuary In-Person Worship

In-person traditional-style worship service will be offered in the sanctuary through May 16. Reservations are not required, but to allow for physical distancing, there is a capacity limit of 150 people. Masks will be required throughout the worship service.

9:45 am Drive-in Worship

Augustana north parking lot

Please enter through the Allina clinic entrance and follow the direction of the ushers for parking. Tune your radio to 90.1 FM. To find the online bulletin, visit augustana.com, scroll down the homepage until you see the green box that says 'Online Bulletin.' Offering will be collected during the worship service rather than as you enter the parking lot. Everyone will be required to stay in their cars while they are on the Augustana campus. As always, if you don't feel well or if you have any symptoms of illness, including fever or cough, please stay home for the safety of us all.

11:00 Fellowship Hall In-Person Worship

In-person contemporary-style worship service is offered in the Fellowship Hall. Reservations are not required, but to allow for physical distancing, there is a capacity limit of 120 people. Masks will be required throughout the worship service.

Sunday Online Worship Service

We offer two online worship experiences and invite you to participate in either worship service from the safety and comfort of your own home. The bulletin and announcements for both services are posted at augustana.com. From the homepage, scroll down to the green box that says 'Online Bulletin.'

- **Traditional Worship**

This pre-recorded service includes meditative prelude music, scripture, sermon, prayers, and congregational hymns. Worship videos are available by 8:00 am each Sunday and can be viewed at any time at augustana.com, select *New Ways to Gather/COVID-19* from the upper menu or visit our facebook page, or YouTube channel.

- **Contemporary Worship**

This pre-recorded worship includes praise music provided by the Celebration Band, relevant message, and blessing. Worship videos each Sunday and can be viewed at any time at augustana.com, select *New Ways to Gather/COVID-19* from the upper menu or visit our facebook page, or YouTube channel.

Baccalaureate Sunday for Graduating Seniors

Sunday, May 16 at the 9:45 am Drive-In Worship. Join us as we celebrate and bless 2021 High School graduates during worship. Seniors, please take a moment to complete the Baccalaureate Inventory which you will find on our website. Visit augustana.com, from the home page, click on 'Grow & Connect', then 'Youth'. The inventory form is located in the green side bar. Contact Abby Norlin-Weaver with any questions at anorlinweaver@augustana.com.

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SERVICE & OUTREACH

8th Annual Guatemala Gala

Sunday, May 2

6:50 pm—Pre-gala Music | 7:00 pm—Virtual Gala

Join Pastor Aune and former Intern Pastor, Ali Ferin as they emcee the 8th Annual Guatemala Gala—

PARTNERS IN EDUCATION.

Ways to watch: Visit spas-elca.org/events/2021-guatemala-gala/ for the link to participate.

Visit the [St. Paul Area Synod Facebook page](#) and watch as a Facebook Live Event.

Loaves & Fishes Volunteers Needed

Tuesday, May 4 & Monday, May 10, 4:00 - 6:00 pm

Volunteers are needed next month to help at Loaves and Fishes. If you can help pack and hand out meals, please email Cathy at chendrikson@augustana.com.

National Day of Prayer

Thursday, May 6

After such a traumatic year, this event is an opportunity for us to unite in prayer for all of God's children. Imagine seeing the face of Jesus in each individual as you pray for people affected by the pandemic, hate crimes, racism, natural disasters, personal tragedies, Augustana transitions, and the list goes on and on. Please take time to pause during this special day to pray, connect with brothers and sisters throughout the country, and to feel God's presence through Christ's love for all people.

In addition to your private prayers, Augustana's Prayer Team will honor all requests with confidential prayers.

Prayer requests can be made one of three ways:

- email request to prayers@augustana.com
- call the church office at 651-457-4473
- drop a written request in the offering baskets on Sunday mornings through May 2.

We 'Hit the Mark' for MN FoodShare Month!

Augustana has 'Hit the Mark' this year and surpassed our \$45,000 goal for the 2021 Minnesota FoodShare Drive. Thanks to your ridiculous generosity, \$59,123.38 was raised for Neighbors, Inc!

As a challenge to reach our goal this year, Pastor Aune had agreed to sit in a dunk tank and have the lucky winners try to 'Hit the Mark' and dunk him! On Sunday, June 13, the dunk tank will be in the east church parking lot. Pastor Aune will be in the tank at 11:00 am, so be sure to stick around after worship to join in the fun! Let's all celebrate the generous giving that will help our neighbors in need.

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Adult Education

Wednesday Night ZOOM Bible Study

Wednesdays, May 5, 12, 19, 6:00 - 7:00 pm

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 651.457.3373 or email brolfes@augustana.com.

Summer Virtual Bible Study

Wednesdays, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; July 7, 14, 21; 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Join Pastor Deb on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm study the 'I AM' statements of Jesus in the Gospel of John. This is a virtual bible study over zoom. Please sign up in the church office with Barb Rolfes. Call 651-457-3373 or email brolfes@augustana.com

YogaDevotion Returns to Augustana

Yoga Flow: Tuesdays, June 1- 29, 6:00 pm

Chair Yoga: Thursdays, June 3-July 1, 3:00 pm

5 Week Session: \$25 or \$6 drop-in rate.

In-Person yoga will begin in June for both Chair and Mat Yoga. While observing COVID guidelines, these sessions will be held in the Fellowship Hall allowing everyone to socially distance from each participant. Masks will also be required. You can sign up and pay in the church office. If you have any questions, contact Joann Arneberg, Faith Community Nurse, 651-475-3373 or jarneberg@augustana.com.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, & FAMILY

In-person Kids' Kingdom

All children ages 4 years old through 6th grade are invited to attend in-person Kids' Kingdom. Please meet outside by the East door entrance at 9:45 am each Sunday through May 16.

Augustana Virtual Baptism Classes

Wednesday, May 12, 6:00 pm

Sunday, June 20, 11:15 am

Wednesday, August 17, 6:00 pm

If you desire baptism for yourself, an infant, or child, we ask that you attend a Baptism class led by Pastor Deb Kielsmeier. These 45 minute classes will be conducted over ZOOM. We will discuss the meaning of Christian Baptism and the importance of this sacrament. Email Barb Rolfes brolfes@augustana.com to reserve a spot in one of the classes.

9th Grade Confirmation Students

Faith Story Conversations for confirmation students in grade 9 will take place on Sunday, May 2, Tuesday, May 4, and Wednesday, May 5. Use the Sign Up Genius link below to select the date and time for your one-on-one conversation with a pastor or staff member. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805094da4ad2aa1fb6-2021>.

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UPCOMING ACTIVITIES, EVENTS & CAMPS

- **In-Person Minnesota from the Road – Bluff Country Tour**

Friday, May 7, 6:30 pm doors open; 7:00 program begins

Doug Ohman – Public Storyteller, Photographer, Pioneer Photography

Road trip into one of the most scenic areas of Minnesota. Loaded with history this tour is a favorite of many. From Red Wing to Winona, we will travel the Great River Road with a lot of fascinating detours and stops along the way including the historic orphanage in Owatonna. Doug will also have his books and cards available for purchase. We will meet masked and socially distanced in Augustana's Fellowship Hall. No food will be provided. Contact Stacy at secardwell@augustana.com with questions. No sign up necessary

- **Congregation Car Bingo!!**

Friday, May 14, 6:30 pm

All are welcome to join us in the east parking lot for car bingo. We will hand out bingo cards as you drive in, then tune you radio to 90.1 fm to hear the bingo numbers called. When you win, honk your horn and wave your arm out your window. Prizes will be awarded when you get a bingo. so we know how many prizes to have on hand, Please sign-up at signupgenius.com/go/30E0848AAAA22A0F94-carbingo.

- **Grief Care**

Thursdays, May 20, 27 & June 3, 10, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Led by Marian Eisenmann, retired pastor & hospital chaplain. Please register by calling the church office or signing up at the Information Center. Contact Joann Arneberg, Faith Community Nurse for more details.

- **Steppin' Out In Faith Walk**

Sunday, June 6, 7:30 am Registration; 7:45 am Walk Begins

Join us to promote health and community and take a walk to Marthaler Park before the 9 am Augustana Drive-In service begins. The one-mile route is a great distance for all ages and will use sidewalks. For those who want a longer walk, you are welcome to return to Augustana by foot. For those wanting a ride back to church, we will have a vehicle there to transport you. You may sign-up now at the Information Center or by calling the church office: 651.457.3373. Register by May 30 and be entered to win one of our fun prizes! Same day registrations are also accepted. Pets are welcome too! As always, physically distancing will be encouraged and if you are feeling ill, please stay home. Individually packaged breakfast items will be available.

- **Family Fun Nights**

Mondays, June 14, July 12, August 9, 6:30 pm

Family Fun nights will be a time for families to hangout with other Augustana families while we play games, do crafts or participate in a service project. Watch for more info to come in the June newsletter.

- **Service and Fun Days**

Fridays, June 25 & July 23, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

These days will be open to all children who have finished grades 3 - 5. We will do a service project in the morning and then a fun activity in the afternoon. Watch for more information in the bulletin, newsletter, and in the mail.

- **Augustana VBS & Music & Art Camp Dates**

Spots still available! See the website for camps, dates, and online registration, visit

augustana.com, then select 'Grow & Connect' and then 'Children & Family' to register.