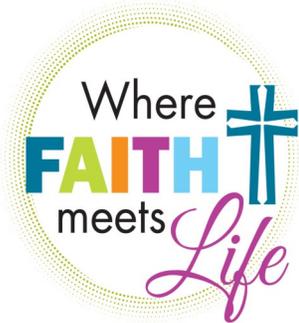


Welcome to worship at **Augustana** Lutheran Church



November 21, 2021, 8:30 Drive-In Worship

Liturgical Season: Christ the King Sunday

What does this mean?

On this last Sunday of the church liturgical year, we celebrate the majesty and glory of Jesus Christ our Savior and King. The color white reminds us of his radiance and holiness while calling us to devotion and praise. As we look forward to the weeks to come, we prepare ourselves by centering our hearts in obedience to and love for our one Lord.

Theme: Christ the King Sunday

“For unto us a child is born, unto us, a son is given.” G.F. Handel set the words of today's scripture lesson into the music of his masterpiece, The Messiah. As Christians we remember the ancient words of Isaiah in the light of a child born to be king, our savior Jesus the Christ.

Pre-Service Music

Announcements

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as people of God

Opening Hymn

Crown Him with Many Crowns

ELW #855, st. 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.**

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

God of light, there can be overwhelming obscurity in this world. But you shine your light and increase joy, and for your brilliance we are grateful. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us through scripture, preaching, and song

Anthem

Amanda Enstrom, soloist

The ushers will collect offering at this time.

Lesson

Isaiah 9:1-7 NRSV

But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness — on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

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

Sermon

Lighten Up

Pastor Arne Bergland

Sermon Questions:

In what ways does our lesson convey the will of God for all creation?

Start each day this week giving thought to what brings light to your day?

Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered
our human story; God in him is centered.
He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded,
with grace unbounded.

See how he sends the pow'rs of evil reeling;
he brings us freedom, light and life and healing.
All men and women, who by guilt are driven,
now are forgiven.

Come, celebrate; your banners high unfurling,
your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling.
To all the world go out and tell the story
of Jesus' glory.

Tell how the Father sent the Son to save us.
Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us.
Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation
God's new creation.

MEAL

Christ invites us to a common table of grace,
feeding us in bread and wine.

Prayers of the Church

Offering Litany

We give because God first gave to us.
We give to support God's work in this place.
We give to remind ourselves that we can put our trust in God.

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

Post Communion Blessing & Prayer

SENDING

The Holy Spirit sends us into the world

Closing Hymn

Jesus Shall Reign

ELW #434, st. 1, 2, 5

**Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does its successive journeys run;
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.**

**To him shall endless prayer be made, and praises throng to crown his head;
his name like sweet perfume shall rise with ev'ry morning sacrifice.**

**Let ev'ry creature rise and bring peculiar honors to our king;
angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen.**

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.

Go in Peace, Share the Good News.

Thanks be to God.

SERVING TODAY

Pastor Arne Bergland

Pastor Deb Kielsmeier

Andy Jacob, Keyboard

Vocalists/Song Leader: Amanda Enstrom

Lay Reader: Tim Aune

Following worship we invite you to stop at the Information Center. It is staffed with individuals eager to answer any questions you may have. You are welcome to pick up our monthly newsletter, Augustana Life, at the Information Kiosk in the Narthex. It is also available online at augustana.com.

Augustana uses the Narrative Lectionary as a basis for our weekly Bible readings. Next week we will read Jeremiah 29:1, 4-14.