



22nd Sunday after Pentecost | Commitment Sunday  
October 24, 2021 | 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Setting 4, *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*

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Worship | Grow | Go

*Welcome to worship on Augustana's Stewardship Commitment Sunday. Every year, we come together in worship to offer our financial commitments which will support a wide variety of ministries both inside and outside our congregation. When we do this, we are acknowledging that all we have is a gift from God, and we are called to share our blessings.*

*Every Sunday we also remember that the greatest gift we have received is God's love and grace in Jesus Christ, who is present as we worship and receive Holy Communion.*

*Because of CDC guidelines, masks are highly recommended for everyone at worship for both vaccinated and unvaccinated people. Unvaccinated people should continue to wear masks.*

*Please make room in the pew for people who arrive after you by sitting in the middle of the pew. This opens up the aisle seating for others so that everyone has a place to worship.*

*Sign the worship slip and place it in the offering plate so that hospitality, prayer, and pastoral care may be kept up to date.*

**WiFi use:** *All the bandwidth possible is needed to livestream the 10:30 worship service. Please turn your cell phone off, turn off the WiFi, or put it in airplane mode while the service is going on. Thank you!*

## Prelude

"Adagio" (from *Organ Symphony*) —Camille Saint-Saëns, arr. Fred Tulon  
Linda Mack, organ

## Welcome

*The assembly stands.*

## Confession and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, whose teaching is life, whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

*Silence is kept for reflection. The people may kneel.*

**God our comforter: like lost sheep, we have gone astray. We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression. We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed. Free us from our sin, gracious God. Listen when we call out to you for help. Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.**

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace in ✠ Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins. **Amen.**

# Gathering Song ♦ ELW 722: O Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate

10:30 a.m. Please turn toward the back of the sanctuary as the processional cross enters, and turn toward the front of the sanctuary as the cross passes you.



1 O Christ, your heart, com - pas - sion - ate, bore ev - 'ry hu - man pain.  
2 As once you wel - comed those cast down and healed the sick, the blind,  
3 O Christ, cre - ate new hearts in us that beat in time with yours,  
4 O Love that made the dis - tant stars, yet marks the spar - row's fall,



Its beat - ing was the pulse of God; its breadth, God's vast do - main.  
so may all bruised and bro - ken lives through us your help still find.  
that, joined by faith with your great heart, be - come love's o - pen doors.  
whose arms stretched wide up - on a cross em - brace and bear us all:



The heart of God, the heart of Christ com - bined in per - fect rhyme  
Lord, join our hearts with those who weep that none may weep a - lone,  
We are your bod - y, ris - en Christ; our hearts, our hands we yield  
come, make your church a ser - vant church that walks your ser - vant ways,



to write God's love in hu - man deeds, e - ter - ni - ty in time.  
and help us bear an - oth - er's pain as though it were our own.  
that through our life and min - is - try your love may be re - vealed.  
whose deeds of love rise up to you, a sac - ri - fice of praise!

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., 1923–2007

Music: ELLACOMBE, German melody, 18th cent.; adapt. X. L. Hartig, *Melodien zum Mainzer Gesangbuche*, 1833

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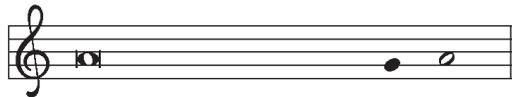
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## Greeting

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.**

## Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy. <sub>2</sub>



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



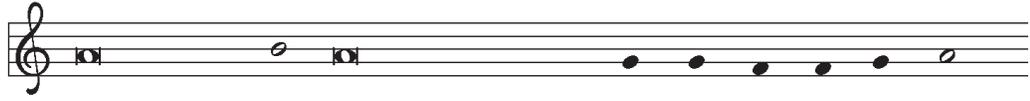
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

## Canticle of Praise

*Refrain*

Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us

free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and

strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

2

Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the

hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and

might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain

has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

**Eternal light, shine in our hearts. Eternal wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance.**

**Eternal compassion, have mercy on us. Turn us to seek your face, and enable us to reflect your goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*The assembly is seated.*

Reading ♦ Jeremiah 31:7–13

A reading from Jeremiah.

<sup>7</sup>For thus says the LORD:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,  
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;  
proclaim, give praise, and say,  
“Save, O LORD, your people,  
the remnant of Israel.”

<sup>8</sup>See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,  
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,  
among them the blind and the lame,  
those with child and those in labor, together;  
a great company, they shall return here.

<sup>9</sup>With weeping they shall come,  
and with consolations I will lead them back,  
I will let them walk by brooks of water,  
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;  
for I have become a father to Israel,  
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

<sup>10</sup>Hear the word of the LORD, O nations,  
and declare it in the coastlands far away;  
say, “He who scattered Israel will gather him,  
and will keep him as a shepherd a flock.”

<sup>11</sup>For the LORD has ransomed Jacob,  
and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him.

<sup>12</sup>They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion,  
and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD,  
over the grain, the wine, and the oil,  
and over the young of the flock and the herd;  
their life shall become like a watered garden,  
and they shall never languish again.

<sup>13</sup>Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance,  
and the young men and the old shall be merry.  
I will turn their mourning into joy,  
I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow.

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

Psalm ♦ Psalm 126

The refrain will be sung first by the cantor, then by the assembly, and again by the assembly after the verses as indicated.

Refrain:



Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.

Psalm 126:6

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<sup>1</sup>When the LORD restored the for- | tunes of Zion,  
then were we like | those who dream.

<sup>2</sup>Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with | shouts of joy.

Then they said among the nations, “The LORD has done great | things for them.” *Refrain*

<sup>3</sup>The LORD has done great | things for us,  
and we are | glad indeed.

<sup>4</sup>Restore our for- | tunes, O LORD,  
like the watercourses | of the Negeb.

<sup>5</sup>Those who | sowed with tears  
will reap with | songs of joy.

<sup>6</sup>Those who go out weeping, carry- | ing the seed,  
will come again with joy, shoulder- | ing their sheaves. *Refrain*

*The assembly stands.*

Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel ♦ Mark 10:46–52

The holy gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>46</sup>As [Jesus] and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. <sup>47</sup>When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” <sup>48</sup>Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” <sup>49</sup>Jesus stood still and said, “Call him here.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart; get up, he is calling you.” <sup>50</sup>So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. <sup>51</sup>Then Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man said to him, “My teacher, let me see again.” <sup>52</sup>Jesus said to him, “Go; your faith has made you well.” Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The assembly is seated.*

*The assembly stands.*

Hymn of the Day • ELW 836: **Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee**

1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!  
2 All thy works with joy sur - round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,  
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,

Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.  
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.  
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.  
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,  
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;

Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.  
chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joi - ce in thee.  
teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

Text: Henry van Dyke, 1852–1922  
Music: HYMN TO JOY, Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770–1827, adapt.

## 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 Intercession

*After each petition:* Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

## Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

*You may share a sign of peace with the peace sign or a wave or a hand over your heart.*

*The assembly is seated.*

## Offering

*You are invited to place your Commitment Card for 2022 in the offering plate this morning.*

*Today we offer our financial commitments for Augustana's ministry in 2022. Letting go of what God has first given us helps us learn to trust in God's steadfast love.*

"The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee" –Jean Berger

8 a.m. AVE | 10:30 a.m. Chancel Choir

Madoka Asari, Chancel Choir accompanist

*The assembly stands.*

## Offering Song ♦ ELW 182: Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be

fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -  
 nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your  
 pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980  
 Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923  
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## Offertory Prayer

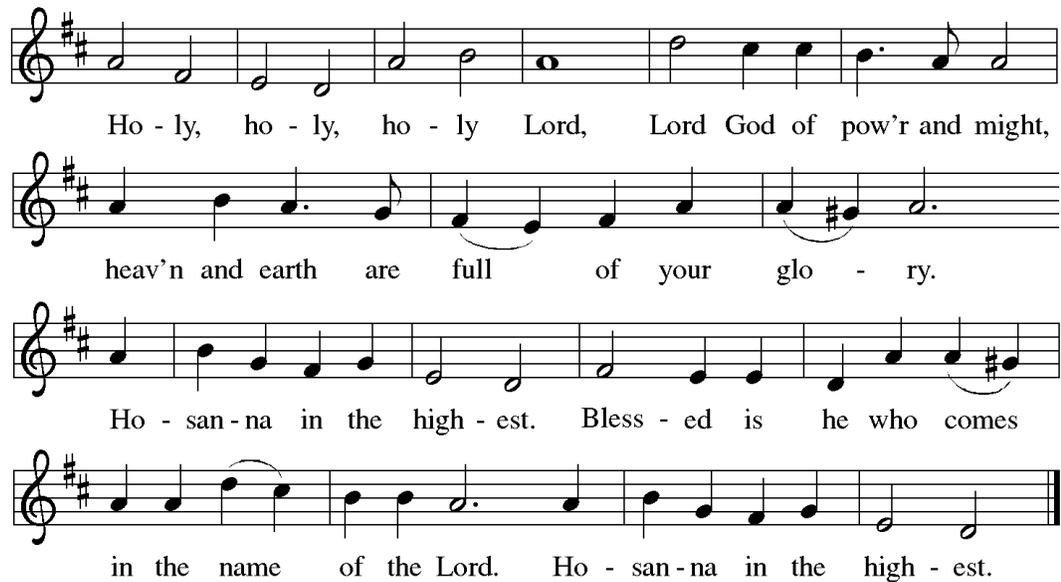
God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens.

**Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
 Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
 It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Eucharistic Prayer

We praise you, all-holy God, our maker, redeemer, and keeper,  
for the universe beyond our knowing, for land and water and all their creatures,  
and for friends, strangers and family, homes, workplaces, and schools.

We praise you for your covenant people: for Abraham and Sarah, Moses and Miriam.  
We praise you for faithful people: Mary, Peter and Paul, and for those who mentor us in faith.  
We praise you for your Son Jesus Christ, who redeems us and offers us life and love.

Who in the night before he died took bread,  
and gave thanks, broke it,  
and gave it to the disciples, saying:  
Take and eat, this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again after supper Jesus took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

We pray for your Holy Spirit.  
Inspire us to give and to serve, and renew the world with your mercy,  
with your healing, your justice, your peace.  
We praise you loving God, today, tomorrow, and forever. **Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

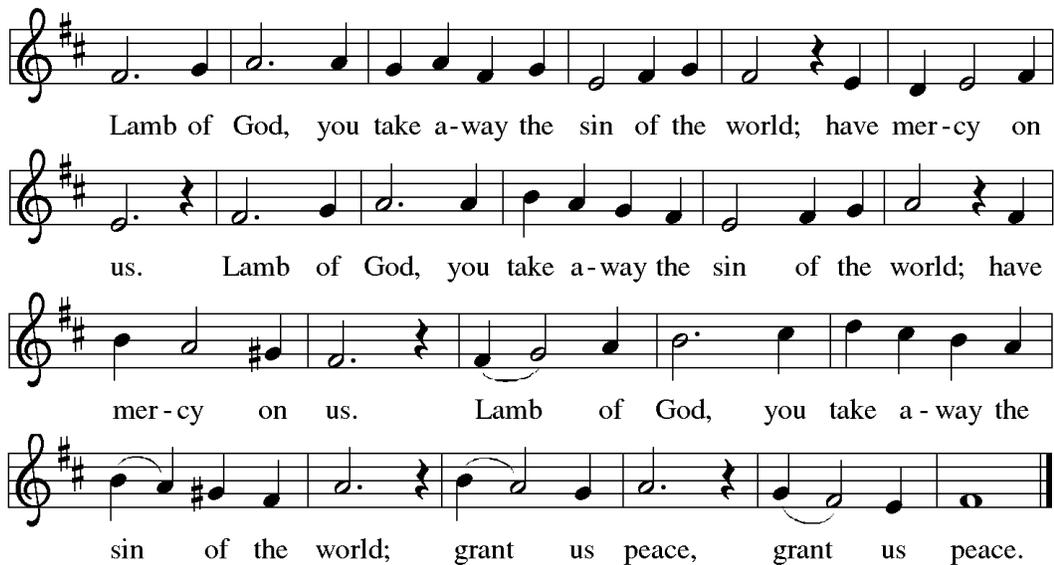
**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,**

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.

## Holy Communion

*The assembly is seated.*

*We are connected by the Holy Spirit to God and to each other across time and place through our baptisms. In this same Spirit, we share bread and wine with confidence in Christ's real presence with us in the sacrament of Holy Communion. If you are worshiping with us on livestream, you may use bread or crackers and wine or juice from your home. We invite you to share this bread of life and cup of blessing as we all are one in Christ. We will receive Communion together after the singing of the Lamb of God.*



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
 us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the  
 sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

“Ave Verum” –W.A. Mozart  
 AVE

*The assembly stands.*

## Blessing after Communion

May the body and blood of Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.**

## Prayer after Communion

Lord of life, in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## Blessing

People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world.  
 The holy Trinity, ✠ one God, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

## Sending Song • ELW 673: God, Whose Almighty Word

10:30 a.m. *Please turn and face the processional cross as it leaves the sanctuary, facing the back of the sanctuary for the dismissal.*



1 God, whose al - might - y word cha - os and dark - ness heard  
2 Christ, who once came to bring, on your re - deem - ing wing,  
3 Spir - it of truth and love, life - giv - ing, ho - ly dove,  
4 Ho - ly and bless - ed three, glo - ri - ous Trin - i - ty,



and took their flight: hear us, we hum - bly pray, and where the  
heal - ing and sight; health to the trou - bled mind, sight where il -  
speed forth your flight; move on the wa - ter's face bear - ing the  
Wis - dom, Love, Might: bound - less as o - cean's tide, roll - ing in



gos - pel day sheds not its glo - rious ray, let there be light.  
lu - sions blind; oh, now to hu - man-kind let there be light.  
lamp of grace, and in earth's dark - est place let there be light.  
full - est pride, through the earth, far and wide, let there be light.

Text: John Marriott, 1780–1825, alt.  
Music: ITALIAN HYMN, Felice de Giardini, 1716–1796

## Dismissal

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you. **Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

“Chaconne” –Louis Couperin  
Linda Mack, organ





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God's work. Our hands.

### Welcome!

- How good to have you here! Thanks for signing the worship registration slip and placing it in the offering plate.
- Large-print copies of the service bulletin are available from Augustana's ushers.
- Children are welcome in worship! Children's bulletins and crayons are available on Augustana's entrance tables. Just outside of Christ Chapel and on either side of the sanctuary there are activity bags for children. Please return the bags when worship is finished. Childcare is available in the nursery for newborns through children age 5.
- For a copy of this morning's sermon, inquire in Augustana's office.
- Secure online gifts may be made through the [Giving page at Augustana's website, www.augustanadenver.org](http://www.augustanadenver.org). You can also text message your offering to 303-653-9592.
- Faith Formation for all children and youth is available Sundays, 9–10 a.m., in the education building. Adult Forum is offered 9:15–10:15 a.m.
- Welcome to coffee and cookies, 9–10:30 a.m., in Fellowship Hall.
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- The Ammerman Library is open and staffed every Sunday.
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8 a.m. Jim Dierker

10:30 a.m. Brad & Pam Uyemura

#### Communion Linens:

October Ellen Kastens

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**Reader:** Roger Lipker

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8 a.m. Rob Trussell

10:30 a.m. Karen Bourg, Greg Hempelman, Katy Lunsford, Allan Schneider

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### Mission Statement

Celebrating God's grace, we welcome everyone to worship Jesus, grow in faith, and go serve in the world.

### Worship

- Worship in person at 8 a.m. in Christ Chapel or at 10:30 a.m. in the sanctuary.
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