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Augustana Lutheran Church of Hyde Park and Lutheran Campus Ministry

August 30, 2020

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost Online Service

Augustana is worshipping in-person every Sunday morning at 9:30. This will continue as long as Chicago remains in Phase Four of Illinois' reopening plan.

If you would prefer to worship online, you can find the link to our YouTube worship channel [on our website](#). The video is available when

The sanctuary will be open Tuesdays from 11am to 2pm for anyone who would like to use it for silent meditation and prayer.

Gathering Hymn: Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now (ELW #527)

Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now

1 Lord Je - sus Christ, be pres - ent now; our
 2 Un - scal our lips to sing your praise in
 3 Then shall we join the hosts that cry, "O
 4 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, Son, and

hearts in true de - vo - tion bow. Your Spir - it send with
 end - less hymns through all our days; in - crease our faith and
 ho - ly, ho - ly Lord Most High!" And in the light of
 Ho - ly Spir - it, Three in One! To you, O bless - ed

light di - vine, and let your truth with - in us shine.
 light our minds; and set us free from doubt that blinds.
 that blest place we then shall see you face to face.
 Trin - i - ty, be praise through-out e - ter - ni - ty!

Text: attr. Wilhelm II, 1598–1662; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.
 Music: HERR JESU CHRIST, DICH ZU UNS WEND, *Cantionale Germanicum*, Gochsheim, 1628

Loving God, we thank you for the gift of life in all its diversity and beauty. Lord Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, we praise you that you came to redeem all of creation. Holy Spirit, we rejoice that you breathe in the life of the world. Grant us faith and courage to deny ourselves, take up our cross and follow Jesus as caretakers of, and justice-seekers for, your beautiful and bountiful creation. For the blessing of your people, the sustaining of the earth and the glory of your name. Through Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

Readings of the Day

A Reading from the Hebrew Bible: Jeremiah 15:15–21

Jeremiah's delight in the word of the Lord is contradicted by the heaviness of God's hand upon him and God's seeming unfaithfulness. God's tough love to Jeremiah says that if he repents, he will be allowed to continue in his strenuous ministry. Jeremiah is strengthened by the simple words, "I am with you."

¹⁵O Lord, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. ¹⁶Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts. ¹⁷I did not sit in the company of merrymakers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. ¹⁸Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail.

¹⁹Therefore thus says the Lord: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. ²⁰And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the Lord. ²¹I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

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Psalm 26:1-8

¹Give judgment for me, O Lord, for I have lived | with integrity;
I have trusted in the Lord and | have not faltered.

²Test me, O | Lord, and try me;
examine my heart | and my mind.

³For your steadfast love is be- | fore my eyes;
I have walked faithful- | ly with you.

⁴**I have not sat | with the worthless,**
nor do I consort with | the deceitful.

⁵I have hated the company of | evildoers;
I will not sit down | with the wicked.

⁶**I will wash my hands in inno- | cence, O Lord,**
that I may go in procession | round your altar,

⁷singing aloud a song | of thanksgiving
and recounting all your won- | derful deeds.

⁸**Lord, I love the house in | which you dwell**
and the place where your glo- | ry abides.

A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans: 12:9-21

Paul presents benchmarks for faithful relationships with Christians and non-Christians. Love is the unflagging standard of our behavior. When we encounter evil, we do not resort to its tactics but seek to overcome it with good. While Christians cannot control the actions and attitudes of others, we seek to live at peace with all people.

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

¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with

wiser than you are. ¹⁷Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰No, "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." ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew: 16:21-28

After Peter confesses that Jesus is "the Messiah, the Son of the living God" (16:16), Jesus reveals the ultimate purpose of his ministry. These words prove hard to accept, even for a disciple whom Jesus has called a "rock."

²¹From that time on, [after Peter confessed that Jesus was the Messiah,] 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. ²²And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." ²³But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For 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. ²⁸Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

Hymn of the Day: Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said (ELW #667)

Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said

1 "Take up your cross," the Sav - ior said,
 2 Take up your cross; let not its weight
 3 Take up your cross, nor heed the shame,
 4 Take up your cross and fol - low Christ,

"if you would my soul dis - ci - ple be;
 per - vade your soul with vain a - larm;
 nor let your fool - ish heart re - bel;
 nor think till death to lay it down;

for - sake the past, and come this day,
 his strength shall bear your spir - it up,
 for you the Lord en - dured the cross
 for those who hum - bly bear the cross

and hum - bly fol - low af - ter me."
 sus - tain your heart, and nerve your arm.
 to save your soul from death and hell.
 one day will wear the glo - rious crown.

Text: Charles W. Everest, 1814–1877, alt.
 Music: BOURBON, W. Hauser, *Hesperian Harp*, 1848

In Our Prayers

Friends and family of Tommy Spadda, uncle of Padraig McGuire, died
 Friends and family of Larry Gaetan, friend of Padraig McGuire, died
 Friends and family of Clark Nolan, friend of Polly Fehlman, died
 Friends and family of Adita Torres, Bishop of Peru, died from COVID-19
 Pastor Pedro Bullon, husband of Adita Torres, suffering from COVID-19
 Carrie Estelle, cousin of Cassandra Guice, suffering from COVID-19
 Rebecca, niece of Cassandra Guice, suffering from the after-effects of

Rita, granddaughter of Cassandra Guice, recovering from giving birth

with numerous complications

Nancy Dishno, recovering from one surgery and preparing for another

Caleb Tompsett, grandson of Bill and Chris, undergoing chemotherapy

David Mueller, friend of Judy Merritt-Morgan, diagnosed with bone cancer

Allison, friend of Richard Krull, diagnosed with ovarian cancer

Mark van Scharrel, husband of Pastor Julie Ryan, advanced cancer

Frank Showers, undergoing cell stem therapy for cancer

Anu, Smitha Gunthoti's cousin, late-stage cancer

Kathy, friend of Robin Mitchell, hospitalized due to mental illness

The homeless and those who are food insecure

Victims and survivors of domestic abuse

Those who struggle with substance abuse

Those who have in danger of fire or have lost their homes in California, especially Dorothy and Wilbur Hines, friends of Cassandra Guice

Those who are in the path of Hurricane Laura

Health care providers in our congregation: Peter Pytel, Elaine

Worcester, Steph Stuhlmuller, and Norma Rolfsen

Other health care workers and researchers beloved by members of our community: Jefree Schulte, Deb Burnet, Kimi, Jenny, Ashley, Thomas, and Kevin Rist.

Please do not hesitate to [email the office](#) with any prayer requests that you would like included next week. Alternately, you can attend the Zoom prayer meeting at 2:00 on Saturday afternoon to lift up your prayers there.

Please share the peace and make an offering

Did you know that sharing the peace is meant to reconcile us before we share the Holy Supper? We can't do that in person right now, but we can the rest of the week. Please take time soon to call or email someone. It helps build community and keeps us strong.

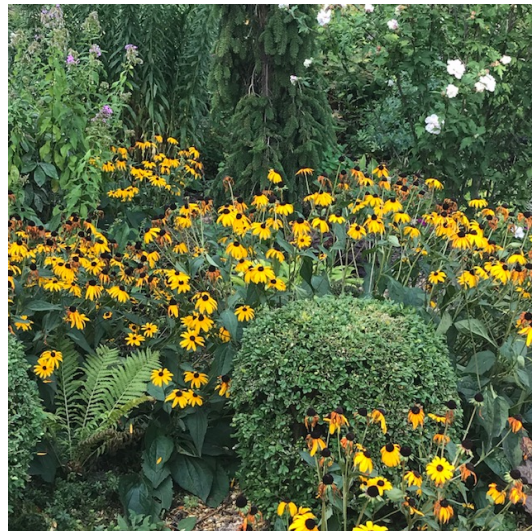
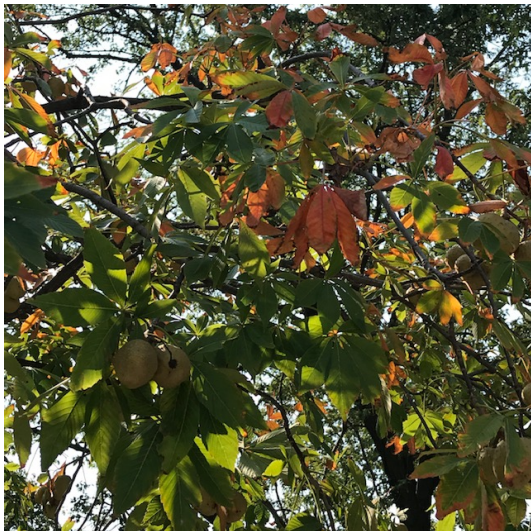
people we employ depend on your generosity during this difficult time. You can arrange an [ongoing electronic offering through our website](#). Setting up a free [PayPal](#) account allows you to make an offering of any size with a debit or credit card; the email address you need is treasurer@augustanahydepark.org. You can, of course, also send a check to Augustana, 5500 S. Woodlawn Ave., Chicago, IL, 60637.

St. Francis' Day

Due to the coronavirus, we will not be able to bring pets into our sanctuary this year, but that shouldn't prevent us from still celebrating them! If you have a non-human that is close to your heart, whether it be a pet, a stuffed animal, a favorite animal at a zoo or farm, or the rabbit that has made himself at home in your back yard, please film yourself blessing that creature for our virtual service. You can upload your video [here](#) OR email it to the [office](#).

In addition to these videos, we'd also love to receive scanned photographs of your favorite non-humans that have passed on but continue to live in your heart. A label at the bottom naming your beloved creature might be a nice addition. Use the above links to upload or email your photo.

While we all miss the beautiful interior of our beloved church, we can still enjoy nature's extravagant beautification of the exterior.

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Blood Lines - SAY THEIR NAMES



NON:op Open Opera Works is currently **seeking a diverse group of readers** for an online recreation of our 2019 *Blood Lines* installation. During this time of social distancing and cultural change we invite you to participate in this project by **video recording yourself** reading the name of one or more persons killed in the 1919 uprising. Readings will be combined with sound from the original long wire installation at Augustana and a video with maps, historical newspaper accounts, a timeline, and images from the live installation and the surrounding neighborhoods.

The deadline for submitting videos to this part of the project is **Monday, September 14**. NON:op is offering a \$5 honorarium for each video reading we include in the online installation (up to 5). Visit the [Blood Lines – SAY THEIR NAMES](#) project page on our website for detailed information on participating in *Blood Lines – SAY THEIR NAMES*.

For the *SAY THEIR NAMES* component of the project we are seeking volunteers to assist Ron Browne with the development of a database of black persons killed by law enforcement since 1919. If you would like to assist Ron, please visit the [Blood Lines – SAY THEIR NAMES](#) page and click on DOCUMENTS for more information.

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