First Reading

Isaiah 52:7-10

⁷HOW BEAUTIFUL UPON THE MOUNTAINS

are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns." ⁸Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices, together they sing for joy; for in plain sight they see the return of the LORD to Zion. ⁹Break forth together into singing, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the LORD has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem. ¹⁰The LORD has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

Psalm 98

¹Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done marvelous things, whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.

²O LORD, you have made known your victory,

you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.

³You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel;

all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God. ⁴Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands;

lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

⁵Sing to the LORD with the harp,

with the harp and the voice of song.

⁶With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy before the king, the LORD.

⁷Let the sea roar, and all that fills it,

the world and those who dwell therein.

⁸Let the rivers clap their hands,

and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, who comes to judge the earth.

⁹The LORD will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with equity.

Second Reading

Titus 3: 4-7

⁴BUT WHEN THE GOODNESS AND LOVING KINDNESS OF GOD OUR SAVIOR APPEARED, ⁵he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. ⁶This Spirit he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, ⁷so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Gospel

John 1:1-14

¹IN THE BEGINNING WAS THE WORD, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being ⁴in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. ⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

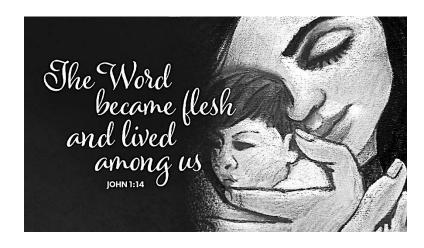
⁶There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. ⁸He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. ⁹The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

¹⁰He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. ¹¹He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. ¹²But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, ¹³who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

¹⁴And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.



CHRISTMAS DAY December 25, 2022, 10:30 AM



AUGUSTANA Lutherans and Anglicans worshiping together(A congregation of the ELCIC, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada)

Worship at 10:30 am YouTube Channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCua4E9ZVxlZ4Wfmct0ZLnBA



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AUGUSTANA LUTHERAN CHURCH

CHRISTMAS DAY ELW - Setting 5, Holy Communion 10:30 AM December 25, 2022

GATHERING

Prelude Processional Hymn: "Angels from the Realms of Glory" **#275**, vs.1,2&4 Welcome Gathering Prayer

THE WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 52:7-10 Second Reading: Titus 3:4-7 Special Music: "Break Forth, O Beauteous Heav'nly Light" Gospel: John 1:1-14 Meditation: Hymn of the Day: "Ina a Far-Off Place, Jesus Comes" **#908 (ACS)** Nicene Creed, p. 104 Prayers of the People: "God of grace . . . **hear our prayer**" Sharing of the Peace, p. 161

THE MEAL

Great Thanksgiving, p. 161	
Hymn: Go Tell It on the Mountain #	290, vs. 3
Thanksgiving at the Table	
The Lord's Prayer, p. 163 (spoken)	
Communion:	
Hymns during Communion:	
"Your Little Ones, Dear Lord Are We"	#286
"Once in David's Royal City"	#269
Post Communion Prayer	

SENDING

Blessing and DismissalSending Hymn: "Good Christian Friends Rejoice"#288Postlude

Thank you to our lector Margareth Peterson, musician Deborah Buck, usher Chris Martin, communion assistant Linda Stauffer, and technical support Greg Fowlie-Neufeld for assisting in worship today. Thank you also to our Christmas Day Choir for the musical number..

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WELCOME TO AUGUSTANA

Lutherans and Anglicans worshiping together

We are a Christ-centered, welcoming community. We commit ourselves to modeling Christ's unconditional love in our worship, learning, fellowship, friendship, and service to others. Just as God welcomes and cares for us, so we welcome everyone to participate in all aspects of our community, without regard to sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, race, culture or ethnic background, physical or mental abilities, family or economic status, gender, or age. We pledge to ourselves and all others that we will strive to live as a reconciling people in our life together and in our outreach to the world.

> Thank you for sharing in worship here today. May God's abundant grace be a blessing to you, a source of strength and hope.

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All are welcome at the table. If you wish to receive the healing gift of God's grace and believe Christ is present, please feel welcome to participate in the Eucharist. Communion will be offered through pouring Chalices, one with grape-apple juice and the other with wine. Participants hold the small glass only.

Gluten-free wafers are also available.

--Communion is offered on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month.--

Last Sunday's attendance: 46

Our Parish Calendar

Wednesday7:00 pmSaturday3:00 pmSunday10:30 am

The Living Room NA Group The Tea Room AA Group Evangelical Lutheran Worship with Holy Communion

HYMN OF THE DAY: In a Far-Off Place, Jesus Comes (ACS 908)

- (1) In a far-off place, Jesus comes to earth.
 Sheep and cattle grace the site.
 As the angel songs begin,
 like the whisper of the wind,
 nature's hope awakes again; Jesus comes.
- (2) For the poor in heart, Jesus comes to earth. Humble shepherds start the news.
 For each homeless infant born, for the meek and those who mourn, for the weary and the worn, Jesus comes.
- (3) In our deepest night, Jesus comes to earth: radiant star to light our way.
 Summer's heat or winter's chill, with a warm and loving will, to a world that needs him still, Jesus comes.

The **Christmas Hamper** campaign was successful in raising \$1575 this year. All of the money raised went towards gifting 17 families with a Christmas hamper! Our hampers this year again consisted of a Christmas card that contained a grocery voucher and a note from Pastor Kirk. We truly are amazed at your generosity and thank you for helping make another person's Christmas a bit more joyful!



PLEASE PLACE YOUR OFFERINGS IN THE PLATE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH.

Offerings & Income for December to date: \$18,848 CLWR \$250; Facilities Improvement – Signage \$500; Memorials \$625; PAR \$4562; Rent \$1855. December expenses (estimated): \$19,783

We kindly ask that you send in any cash or cheque Year End contributions before 12pm on December 29th so as to be deposited that day for entry on your 2022 tax receipt statements. E-Transfers can still be accepted until Dec. 31st. Thank You.