

First Reading

Isaiah 58:1-12

¹**SHOUT OUT, DO NOT HOLD BACK!** Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins.

²Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God.

³“Why do we fast, but you do not see?

Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?”

Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers.

⁴Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist.

Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high.

⁵Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself?

Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD?

⁶Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke?

⁷Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

⁸Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.

^{9a}Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

^{9b}If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,

¹⁰if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.

¹¹The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail.

¹²Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 2:1-12

¹**WHEN I CAME TO YOU, FRIENDS,** I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. ²For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. ³And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. ⁴My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

⁶Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. ⁷But we speak God’s wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. ⁸None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him”—

¹⁰these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God’s except the Spirit of God. ¹²Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

Gospel

Matthew 5:13-20

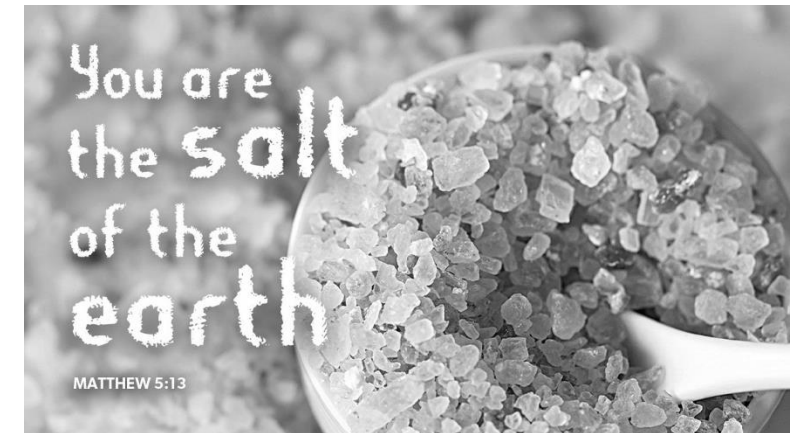
JESUS SAID:¹³**“YOU ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH;** but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

¹⁴“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

¹⁷“Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

Offering & Income for February to date: \$2,684
February Expenses to date: \$682

5TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY February 5, 10:30 AM



AUGUSTANA

Lutherans and Anglicans worshipping 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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5TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

ELW - *Setting 2, Holy Communion*

10:30 AM February 5, 2023

GATHERING

Prelude
Welcome
Announcements
Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the Holy Trinity . . . God who searches and know us

**All: you have shown us what is good,
but we have looked to other lights to find our way.
We have not been just in our dealings with others.
We have chosen revenge over mercy.**

We have promoted ourselves instead of walking humbly with you.

With what shall we come before you?

**Forgive us our sin,
and show us your salvation in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior.
Amen.**

Gathering Song: *“God, Whose Almighty Word”* #673

Greeting & Kyrie, p. 120

Hymn of Praise: *Glory to God in the highest*, p. 121

Prayer of the Day

THE WORD

Children’s Message

First Reading: Isaiah 58:1-12

Choral Anthem: *“This Little Light of Mine*

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-12

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia*, p. 124

Gospel: Matthew 5:13-20

Meditation

Hymn of the Day: *“Go, Make Disciples”* #540

Apostles’ Creed, p. 127

Prayers of the People: *“Merciful God . . . receive our prayer”*

Sharing of the Peace, p. 128

THE MEAL

Great Thanksgiving, p. 129

Holy, Holy, Holy, p. 130

Thanksgiving at the Table

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father . . . we proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

All: Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Therefore, O God . . . share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit . . . and receive our inheritance with all your saints in the light.

Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

The Lord’s Prayer, p. 134

O Lamb of God, p. 135

Communion:

Hymns during Communion: *“Now the Silence”* #460

“Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service” #712

Post Communion Prayer

SENDING

Blessing

Sending Hymn: *“Rise, Shine, You People!”* #665

Dismissal

Let us go in peace.

**All: We go into the world
to walk in God’s light,
to rejoice in God’s love
and to reflect God’s glory.
Amen.**

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.

Grape-apple juice and red wine are provided in the glasses. Gluten-free wafers are also available.



Thank you to our lector and communion assistant Ruth Zuk, musician Mik Bickis, ushers Gloria and Melissa Rowan, and technical support Greg Fowlie-Neufeld for assisting in worship today. Thank you also to our choir for the special music.

Last Sunday’s attendance: 25

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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.



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

Our Parish Calendar

Sunday	6:30 pm	Confirmation
Tuesday	10:00 am	Forever in Motion
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Concordia Jr. Alpenrose Dancers
Wednesday	8:00 am	Men’s Book Club (Zoom)
Wednesday	7:00 pm	The Living Room NA Group
Thursday	10:00 am	Forever in Motion
Thursday	7:00 pm	Choir
Saturday	3:00 pm	The Tea Room AA Group
Sunday	10:30 am	Evangelical Lutheran Worship
Sunday	5:30 pm	All Ages Youth Night (Zion)

The Augustana **Forever in Motion** group has registered a team in the LutherCare Community Stair Climb event on February 10th. It is hoped that we will raise a minimum of \$500 for the work of LutherCare. A pledge sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the narathex. Please consider supporting our team of Marie Ebbert; Van Mostowich; Sandra Cey; Amy Hamilton with a donation!

A Bible Study of the Book of Hebrews will occur in our church basement on Tuesdays, Feb 14 to April 4, 1:30-3:00 PM. Email or call Ken Peterson, kenneth.peterson@sasktel.net or 306-343-6417, for more information or to let him know of your interest.

Please join us for the **World Day of Prayer, Friday March 3rd at 2 PM at Augustana**. The theme for this year’s service is **“I Have Heard About Your Faith”** and is written by the women of Taiwan. Refreshments will be served following the service. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend.