

Psalm: Wisdom 7:26–8:1

God loves nothing so much as the person who lives with wisdom.
(Wisdom. 7:28)

- 26 Wisdom is a reflection of eternal light,
a spotless mirror of the working of God,
an image of God's goodness.
- 27 **Although she is but one, she can do all things,
and while remaining in herself, she renews all things;**
in every generation she passes into holy souls
and makes them friends of God, and prophets;
- 28 **for God loves nothing so much
as the person who lives with wisdom. R**
- 29 She is more beautiful than the sun,
and excels every constellation of the stars.
Compared with the light she is found to be superior,
- 30 **for it is succeeded by the night,
but against wisdom evil does not prevail.**
- 8:1 She reaches mightily from one end of the earth to the other,
and she orders all things well. R

First Reading

Proverbs 1:20–33

WISDOM CRIES out in the street;
in the squares she raises her voice.

At the busiest corner she cries out;
at the entrance of the city gates she speaks:

“How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple?
How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing
and fools hate knowledge?”

Give heed to my reproof;
I will pour out my thoughts to you;
I will make my words known to you.

Because I have called and you refused,
have stretched out my hand and no one heeded,
and because you have ignored all my counsel
and would have none of my reproof,

I also will laugh at your calamity;
I will mock when panic strikes you,

when panic strikes you like a storm,
and your calamity comes like a whirlwind,
when distress and anguish come upon you.

First Reading *Continued*

Then they will call upon me,
but I will not answer;
they will seek me diligently,
but will not find me.

Because they hated
knowledge
and did not choose
the fear of the LORD,

would have none of
my counsel,
and despised all
my reproof,

therefore they shall eat
the fruit of their way
and be sated with
their own devices.

For waywardness
kills the simple,
and the complacency of fools
destroys them;

but those who listen to me
will be secure
and will live at ease,
without dread of disaster.”

16th Sunday after Pentecost September 12, 2021

Mark 8:34
take up their cross
and follow me

Second Reading

James 3:1–12

NOT MANY of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

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Gospel

Mark 8:27–38

JESUS WENT on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” And they answered him, “John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.” He asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Messiah.” And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

AUGUSTANA LUTHERAN CHURCH
Pentecost 16, Lectionary 24
ELW - *Holy Communion Setting 10*
10:30 AM, Sept. 12, 2021

GATHERING

Prelude
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THE WORD

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THE MEAL

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 Post Communion Prayer

SENDING

Blessing
 Sending Hymn: "God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens" # 771
 Dismissal

Thank you to all those who assist with the technical: Michael Diegel, Greg Fowlie-Neufeld, D.-Jay Krozser, Gord Morley, Katie Ottley, Karen Wallace and today Bryan Tastad.

Thank you to our reader Chris Martin, musician Deborah Buck, and ushers Eileen and Wayne Carlson for assisting in worship today.

Last week's attendance: 12

WELCOME TO AUGUSTANA

Lutherans and Anglicans worshipping 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 Chalice, one with White grape juice and the other with Red wine. Participants hold the small glass only. It is a way to reduce physical contact during this time.

There are gluten-free wafers also available.

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Our Parish Calendar

Today	10:30 am	ELW – Holy Communion
Monday	8:00 pm	The Only Requirement NA Group
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Concordia Junior Alpenrose Dancers
Wednesday	9:30 am	Parish Nursing AGM
Wednesday	7:00 pm	The Living Room NA Group
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Church Council (Zoom)
Saturday	3:00 pm	The Tea Room AA Group
Sunday	10:30 am	ELW – Holy Communion

Offerings to date for Sept: \$4,613

Included in the above figure:
 PWDRF: \$100, Parish Nursing: \$50

August Bank Balance: \$48,184
 Income: \$17,200 Expenses: \$14,789



PLEASE PLACE YOUR OFFERINGS FOR TODAY IN THE PLATES AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH.

PLEASE BE SURE TO SIGN-IN AT FRONT ENTRANCE FOR ATTENDING WORSHIP.

Queen Elizabeth School Supplies Project

Augustana is accepting supplies that will go to Queen Elizabeth School until Sept. 19th. Or you may donate money for purchasing needed supplies. Collection boxes are by the wall near the ramp door. Thanks very much to those who have contributed already.



During the Season of Creation, you are invited to participate in a Zoom panel presentation on **Thursday, September 16 at 3pm** entitled "LISTENING TO THE LAND: A CONVERSATION ON THE STEWARDSHIP OF CREATION". *Bishop Chris Harper, Elder May Desnomie and Rev. Mitchell Anderson* will reflect on what listening to the land means from their perspective, tradition, and experience; what they hear the land saying and how we might respond. Free

Registration at
<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUlcuopjosGtONGqLM>
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