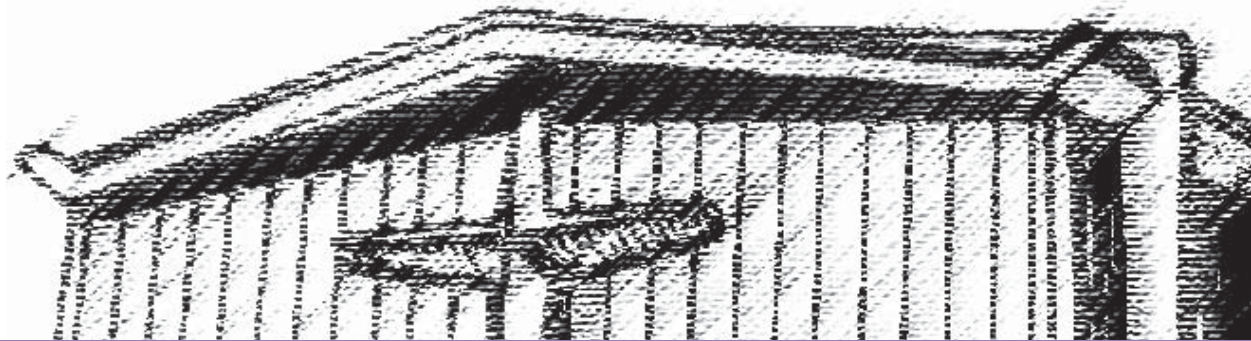


“Over the Top!”



Please join an exciting new matching gift campaign to repair and renew our sanctuary. The purpose of the campaign, entitled “Over the Top,” is to upgrade the sanctuary by replacing the leaking sanctuary roof, painting the interior/exterior, improving the lighting and sound systems, and repairing and updating the organ.

What are the reasons for the campaign?

Our well-used sanctuary needs repair. Seven years ago, experts gave our roof five more years to “live.” The leaking roof needs to be replaced by fall 2015. Interior/exterior painting is long overdue. An Excel Energy Audit recommended changes that will save energy while improving the brightness in the sanctuary (4.8 years

Each dollar that Augustana members and friends donate to “Over the Top” will be matched up to \$200,000.

payback). Badly needed is a modern sound system that will enable all parts of the service to be heard in all parts of the sanctuary. The organ, nearly 60 years old, was last refurbished and upgraded thirty years ago in 1985. It failed to work at the 11 p.m. Christmas Eve service.

Matching gift

We have a generous \$150,000 matching gift from Merrill and Dorie Fie! An anonymous matching gift for another \$50,000 has already come in. A matching gift is a dollar per dollar challenge. Each dollar that Augustana

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good news!

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Sunday Schedule

- 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Worship
- 9:15 a.m. Sunday School (September–May)

Chapel Prayer

- Monday, 10 a.m., Christ Chapel
- Tuesday, 7 p.m., Christ Chapel

Mission Statement

Guided by the Holy Spirit, we gather in Christian community, reach out and invite, offer hope and healing in Jesus Christ, and walk humbly with God.

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Recently lifted up in prayer...

For hope and healing:

- Shirley Barr, Ellie Bonicelli, Jeff Churchill, Ann Craig, Hilda Frost, Lorraine Kahler, Gabriele Korndorfer, Bob Olson, Lori Panzarella, John Richardson, Carol Tamminga, Darryl Waters

For comfort and courage:

- Duane Vierow in the death of his brother-in-law, John Baskerville
- Ron Carnes in the death of his son, John Carnes
- Glenna O'Neal in the death of her aunt, Carol Howell
- Randy Degerness in the death of his cousin, Kathryn Larson
- Dick Larson in the death of his aunt, Marilyn Meyer
- Yvonne Wilken in the death of her sister, Francene Reiter
- Family of Jerry States in his death

Rejoice with...

- Otto Arthur Jacobs, son of Courtney and Fletcher Jacobs and grandson of Bert and Dolly Lager, in his baptism

Days (and nights) of your data and details

Your Transition Team is now busily analyzing and formatting your input into the ELCA Ministry Site Profile template. It is our intention to have this completed and presented to Congregation Council and the Call Committee in May. We will also be sharing with you some of your collective insights, priorities and visions that prospective pastoral candidates will be seeing and contemplating. The Team will have one final Adult Forum appearance in May as well.

We say it often, but probably not often enough. Without all of you, this process would never have happened. We remain grateful for your time, consideration, input and patience.

Thank you,
Your Augustana Transition Team



Christ Chapel Walk



During April and May, Augustana will exhibit photographs by Augustana's **Duane Howell!** View selections from Duane's extensive photography career in the hallway between Augustana's office and Christ Chapel!

Thank you for the gifts!

Health Ministry

- In memory of Verna Somers

Special Gifts

- In memory of Clem Blomberg, Walter McClune
- In honor of Malise de Bree

Augustana Foundation

Otto Arthur Jacobs and Jameson F. Mattner received MissionFuture4KIDZ investment gifts from the Augustana Foundation in honor of their baptisms.



As I retire from ministry here at Augustana, I am overwhelmed by the farewell reception and luncheon which you treated me to on March 15. You outdid yourselves with your generous gifts, cards, phone calls, and greetings. My family, which came for the celebration, was deeply moved by your warm hospitality extended to them. So, deep and wide thanks to one and all for making this such a special occasion which I will treasure for years to come.

Blessings,
Malise

Dear Friends of LFS,
The vulnerable have faces: a neglected child, a newly arrived refugee, a young woman facing a crisis pregnancy, an older adult transitioning in life, a family that lost everything to a natural disaster, a child in need of a loving family. Your Christmas Concert Benefit offering of \$1,337.01 helps give hope to many people by providing: a foster family, support in a new country, a caring counselor, case management, an adoptive family, and much more.

Thank you for continuing to respond to the needs of the neighbor with generous acts of love and mercy through LFS! You are a blessing to many, and we give thanks and praise to God for your life-giving partnership and support!

James Barclay
President and CEO
Lutheran Family Services Rocky Mountains

Augustana,
Thank you for your continuous support in allowing us to use your church to share our mission each month. Over the last nine months, 63 people have learned more about Mosaic.

Thank you from Mosaic,
Stephanie W.

Dear Augustana,
Metro CareRing thanks you for your recent in-kind contribution of 1,519 pounds of food to help the organization accomplish its mission of providing nutritious food to hungry families and individuals while promoting self-sufficiency. Your support ensures that Metro CareRing can continue to help relieve hunger in the Denver area through a comprehensive suite of high-quality programming.

Metro CareRing also thanks you for the recent contribution as the final installment of Augustana Lutheran Church's local outreach program for 2014.

On behalf of participant families, staff, and volunteers, thank you for your contribution. With your support of Metro CareRing's vital programming—along with our focus on strategic partnerships, education, and advocacy—we will end hunger in our community!

Thanks very much for generous and needed support!

Ryan Galanaugh, Program Director
Lynne Butler, Executive Director
Metro CareRing



9Health Fair at Augustana

Augustana Lutheran Church will host the 9Health Fair, Monday, April 20 and Tuesday, April 21, 7 a.m.–noon, offering over 20 different screenings. For a complete list of screenings or to register online, visit www.9healthfair.org.

Holy Week music includes world premiere on Good Friday!

Good Friday

Seven Last Words by Steven Morgan

On Good Friday, April 3, at 7 p.m. worship, the Chancel Choir, along with a small chamber ensemble, presents a world premiere work called *Seven Last Words* by American-born, Japan-based, composer Steven Morgan. Two years ago, the choir sang the North American premiere of Morgan's *In Pace: A Requiem of Peace*.

Steven draws upon the words of the poet Mark Strand (1934–2014), a Canadian-born American poet, essayist, and translator, who taught at Harvard and most recently at Columbia before his recent death last November. He was appointed Poet Laureate Consultant in Poetry to the Library of Congress in 1990.

The music for choir, soloists, and small chamber ensemble also includes three chorales for the assembly to sing and some moments of reflection. Pastor Caitlin will deliver a sermon.

There will also be Good Friday worship at noon which follows the liturgy for Good Friday and offers ample opportunity for silent reflection. On this particular day, it is certainly possible to attend both services if one wishes, as both services are so different. Please join us on Good Friday as we journey together toward the cross in the promise of salvation.

Throughout Holy Week, Augustana's choirs will enhance worship with anthems of faith and meditation.

Maundy Thursday

Silver Notes sings at 11 a.m. worship, and Chancel Choir and Choristers sing at 7 p.m. worship, Maundy Thursday, April 2. As has become tradition, during the stripping of the altar, the choir sings from the balcony accompanied by the lone, beautiful, and haunting strains of the cello.

Easter

Glorious Easter alleluias break forth from musical strains of brass, organ, timpani, handbells, and choirs proclaiming the Risen Savior at all three services—8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., and 11 a.m. Y Hope sings at 8 a.m., and Cherubs and Choristers sing at 9:30 a.m.

Holy Week and Easter Worship schedule

See back page.

Fragrance allergies

Please be aware that there are people with sensitivity to fragrance, and as a courtesy to worshippers, we ask people to use discretion with the use of fragrance during Holy Week and Easter.



Easter Breakfast

Join us in Fellowship Hall for Easter Breakfast, an Augustana tradition hosted by Augustana's youth, Sunday, April 5, 8:30–11 a.m. For a freewill offering, you can enjoy an all-you-can-eat buffet breakfast any time during the morning. We will serve a great spread including pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, fruit, juice, and coffee. Reservations are appreciated but not necessary. Call Augustana's office (303-388-4678).

Confirmation Class hosts Easter Egg Hunt

Easter Sunday, April 5, 9:30 a.m., Augustana's courtyard. This annual event for toddlers through children in grade 4 is a wonderful opportunity for fun and pictures! Augustana's confirmation class will fill nearly 1,000 recycled plastic eggs with scripture and toys and hide them on Augustana's grounds between services on Easter Sunday. For safety, children are arranged in age groups in different areas of Augustana's property.

Holiday schedule

Augustana's office will be closed the Monday after Easter, April 6. If you have an emergency, contact one of the pastors at home.

Lily deliverers needed

Help share Augustana's Easter alleluias by delivering lilies to Augustana's home-centered and hospitalized members and friends. These deliveries can be made early in Easter week or on Easter day. If you would be willing to deliver two or three lilies, hopefully convenient to your own neighborhood, contact **Julie MacDougall** (macdougall@augustanadenver.org or 303-388-4678 ext. 104).

Easter Garden gifts due March 29!

Gifts to for Augustana's Easter Garden to honor or remember loved ones are due Palm Sunday, March 29, in order to be in the Easter Garden insert. Use the Easter Garden envelopes available in Augustana's pew pockets or the form to the right, and make checks payable to Augustana Lutheran Church. The suggested contribution for each individual you wish to honor or remember is \$8. Gifts for the Easter Garden will support this summer's youth mission trip. Thank you!



Easter Garden

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In memory of _____

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Pastor Tim

"Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Matthew 18:19-20

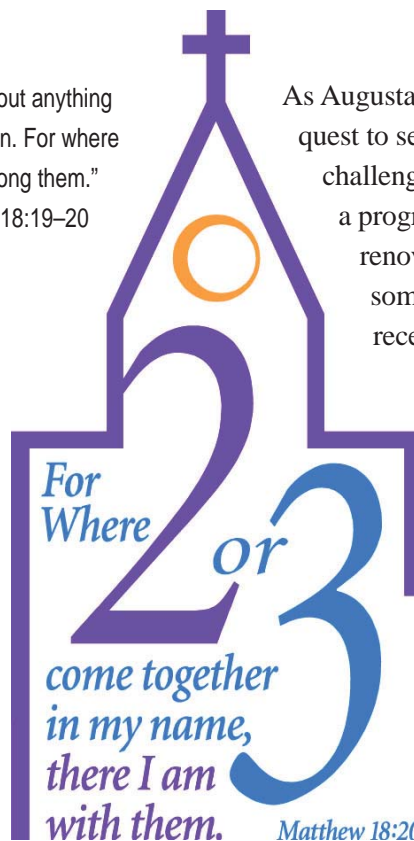
Come Together in My Name

Some have claimed this to be the age of the megachurch, congregations with memberships that total in the thousands. They have become the darlings of the media. We are captivated by them. Those of us in smaller congregations are sometimes envious of them. Some of these megachurches have their own video production centers, parking lot attendants, even restaurants and aerobic classes. They offer families support services that go far beyond what small congregations can offer.

There is one thing, however, that both large churches and small churches must offer, and that is Christ. He is the reason we have church. He must be the center of all we do in our congregation. All our social and entertainment programs, as important and helpful as they are, cannot take the place of "the one thing that is needful."

There are very few places in the gospels where Jesus mentions the function of the church. In the early verses of Matthew 18 he addresses the issue of church discipline. Later, in the passage above, he mentions that "where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." Two or three is a pretty small congregation!

There is also no place in the Bible where it uses the word "success." That word is not used to describe any situation commented on in Holy Scripture. But the word that is used on a regular basis is "faithful." The implication here is that the two or three who are faithful can and do make up a gathering where Christ is in their midst.



As Augustana Lutheran Church continues on the quest to seek a new pastor, we will be facing other challenges as well. We are on the cusp of starting a program to raise money to do some exciting renovations of the sanctuary. We will be shifting some staff positions around because of the recent retirement of Malise de Bree. I am

thinking that when these changes are complete, Augustana will physically and functionally look like a very different place from when I joined you this past August.

But in the light of this post-Easter day, let us never forget that faithfulness is the important mark of the church. Churches come in all shapes and all sizes. But the real mark of the church is the concept of two or three gathered in the name of Christ. It is certainly small by the world's standards.

But God has never been really that concerned about appearances. If that were

the case, why would he only arrange for only a couple of women to see the resurrected Lord? Two or three...it always starts small and grows from there.

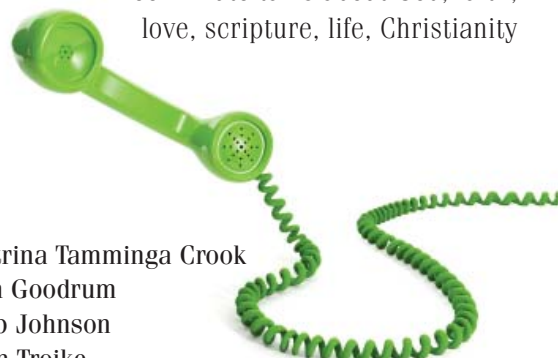
Tim Drom

Interim Senior Pastor

Dial-a-Care

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Three-minute talks about God, faith, love, scripture, life, Christianity



- Katrina Tamminga Crook
- Lyn Goodrum
- Bob Johnson
- Don Troike
- Brad Uyemura
- E.L. Van Laningham

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“Over the Top!”



Continued from cover

members and friends donate to our “Over the Top” campaign will be matched up to \$200,000, bringing our total of matched dollars to \$400,000.

The campaign kicks off on April 12 and concludes on May 31. The total campaign goal is \$500,000. After subtracting the matching gifts, this leaves us \$300,000 to raise. (To put this in perspective, it represents about 1/3 of our annual budget.)

Your steering committee members for the campaign are Margaret Aarestad (chair), Norm Aarestad, Randy Degerness, John Richardson, Mary Richardson, Al Spies, Karen Spies, Rosalee Wanchisen, Kim Kouba (Stewardship Committee Rep), Pastor Tim Drom, and Pastor Caitlin Trussell.

Your committee has plans for events and communications over the length of the campaign to keep you informed. Please contact any of us if you have questions.

We ask for your prayerful consideration to join us in raising funds for what will be an awesome opportunity to keep our sanctuary in wonderful condition. Thank you in advance for your support! When we raise \$500,000, we will be “Over the Top” to meet this need!

From Pastor Caitlin

A Good Friday Monument or an Easter Movement?

A few weeks ago, I had reason to join an ecumenical conversation at St. John’s Cathedral. One of the gifts of that visit was to hear my colleague, Canon Robert Hendrickson, talk about **monuments** versus **movements**. This drew my mind to the Good Friday tomb, the Easter resurrection, and Augustana’s building. Working against letting Augustana’s wonderful building become a monument, entombing the people and the possibilities within it, we are renewing Augustana’s building to continue serving the movement of faith. People of all ages continue to hear God’s voice through the people of Augustana—living as people of faith in the 21st century.

Augustana members, visitors, and friends, as well as Augustana Early Learning Center children and families, do all kinds of things within and beyond the property. Worshiping, serving, volunteering, learning, connecting, and so much more are part of the movement of faith through which we are strengthened to offer hope and healing in Jesus Christ to each other and to the world.

Tending to the building by means of the “Over the Top” campaign is simply one part of faithfully tending to the movement of faith. Thank you for giving. And, most especially, thank you for being a part of an Easter movement.

Peace, Pastor Caitlin

Think of us in this way,
as servants of Christ
and stewards of
God’s mysteries.



Relax, renew, and rejuvenate



April is National Stress Awareness Month

Sheryl Stenseth, Augustana Faith Community Nurse

Stress happens. Sometimes it's unavoidable; at times it's unbearable. That is why taking time to nurture your emotional well-being is essential. Emotional well-being is really about knowing who we are and what we need to be well. There are peaks and valleys for all of us as we journey through wellness. How we navigate difficult times can make a significant difference in our ability to be well. And that is what we are called to do: to live life abundantly here and now.

People with Good Emotional Health...

- believe that there is a good balance to their life between leisure time, activity, and work;
- feel good about themselves;
- believe that there is a purpose to their lives;
- are able to accept changes better and just go with the flow;
- enjoy living, and know the value of fun and laughter;
- have less stress and are better equipped to deal with stress;

- have better relationships with others;
- and are contented with their lives.

Tips for Positive Emotional Well-Being

- Make time for reflection. Meditate. Pray.
- Spend time with others whose company you enjoy.
- Exercise. It protects physical and emotional health, relieves stress, and makes you feel good.
- Spend time in the sun. Sunlight bursts your mood.
- Laugh. Never underestimate the power of laughing.
- Cry...if you are sad, allow yourself to cry.
- Deal with your emotions. Learn how to properly deal with stress, anger, and anxiety instead of keeping them bottled up inside.
- Be healthy inside. Avoid junk food and stick to a healthy diet. Limit alcohol use.
- Treat your senses. Do little things that make you feel happy and stimulate your senses, like lighting a scented candle, buying some fresh-cut flowers, indulging in a massage, or treating yourself to a favorite food or drink.
- Give yourself affirmations. Praise yourself.
- Sleep has both physical and mental benefits. A lack of sleep can be very detrimental, even dangerous to our health. Treat yourself to a nap once in a while.
- Be creative. Spend some time learning new things, like a new language or skill (for example, music or knitting). Even working in your garden can help you relax and feel satisfied.
- Adopt an animal. Pets offer fun, relaxation, and a whole lot of love. They can encourage you to exercise, and tear your attention away from stressful activities.
- Keep a gratitude journal.
- Don't be afraid to ask for help when you need it.

The bottom line is pretty simple—it is when we are living well in Christ that we are best equipped to pass on our faith. Take time for happiness. Allow yourself to enjoy life, fun, and relaxation. Be thankful for what you have, and enjoy!

Health and Wellness Opportunities

Health and wellness opportunities are open to all Augustana members and friends. For information on programs offered (Firm Believers, Yoga, Foot Care Clinic, and Prayer Shawl Ministry) visit Augustana's Web site at www.augustanadenver.org or call the Health Ministry Office (303-388-4678 ext.106). Sheryl's office hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday and one other half day during the week. She changes her voice mail every Monday morning with the hours she will be at the church that week. Please leave a message with any cares or concerns, and she will return your call as soon as possible.

Complicated Grief, Complicated Loss

Alzheimer's Association offers "Complicated Grief, Complicated Loss," a special support group for dementia caregivers experiencing grief while their loved one is still living, second Mondays of every month, 12:30 p.m., Augustana's Youth Room. For more information and to register, call 800-272-3900 or visit onlinealz.org/co.

Notice that Tender Loving Care will meet Sunday, May 3, 1 p.m. in the Youth Room. This was originally scheduled for April 20 and was rescheduled due to the 9Health Fair.

Augustana Early Learning Center

Eat at Chipotle and support AELC!

The Augustana Early Learning Center's second annual Chipotle Night will be held Wednesday, April 8, 5–8 p.m. at the Leedsdale and Monaco location (820 S. Monaco Pkwy.). Just mention the Augustana Early Learning Center fundraiser when you order, and 50 percent of the proceeds comes back to Augustana. Thanks to your generosity, we were able to raise \$925.75 last year for security upgrades. This year, we are raising money for scholarships in an effort to offer quality early education to families in our neighborhood who might otherwise be unable to afford it. Thank you for your continued support as we work together to ensure a brighter future for all!



Documentary *Bag It* shown for Earth Day

April 22 is Earth Day. In honor of Earth Day, Augustana's Green Team will show the documentary film *Bag It*, Sunday, April 12, 9:15 a.m. in the Anna Paulson Room for Adult Forum. In this film Jeb embarks on a global tour to unravel the complexities of our plastic world. This film evolves into an investigation of plastic and its effect on our waterways, oceans, and bodies. This is a touching and funny film about plastics. Come and see!

Children's and Family Ministry



Goodie boxes for finals week

On Sunday, April 19, parents of college students will pack our students' last boxes of goodies for this school year, and we hope you can join us with some items to support our kids as they prepare for final exams. We'll meet in Room 1 after 10:30 a.m. worship. Packing the boxes usually takes less than an hour, and the kids really look forward to receiving them. If you are unable to help with assembling the boxes, please consider leaving some items with Augustana's office. Please mark your bags or boxes clearly to indicate they are for the college students. If you have questions, contact **Joy Hawkins** (Joy.Hawkins@ucdenver.edu or 303-915-7645), **Bill or Ellen Mangione** (wjmangione@gmail.com or 303-394-2289), or **Jan Brown** (JTBrown0407@hotmail.com).

Volunteer Ministry

Volunteer Recognition Sunday, April 26

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace. (1 Peter 4:10)

April is National Volunteer Month, so on Sunday, April 26 we will be honoring our army of volunteers, who give of their time and talents to Augustana and the greater community week after week.

Please look for more information in the weekly bulletins.

If you are interested in joining Augustana's Volunteer Ministry, please contact **Julie MacDougall** (303-388-4678 or macdougall@augustanadenver.org).

Singing their praises!

Augustana is blessed to be the home of many wonderful voices and talents. Our singers, musicians, and directors rehearse tirelessly and sacrifice hours of their personal time throughout the year to ensure that the congregation experiences the most beautiful and heartfelt music every week.

Under the direction and accompaniments of Dr. Cindy Lindeen-Martin, Dick Larson, Marcia Olson, Angela Howard, Sharon Schillereff, Melanie Backes, Julie Cotton, and Maria Brotherston, they use their talents to bring out the best in these volunteers.

Please join us as we honor each member of our musical family!

- AVE
- Chancel Choir
- Silver Notes
- Cherubs
- Y Hope
- Choristers
- Recorders
- Augustana Ringers
- BELLievers
- GraceNotes
- SONshine Ringers
- Augustana Family Ensemble

Music Ministry

JASS (Jammin' Augustana Super Sundays) Appreciation Luncheon

On Sunday, May 3 we honor our children and youth and their parents who have so generously sung, rung handbells, played recorders, and cooked meals throughout the 2014–15 season. Following 10:30 a.m. worship, a catered meal and awards in Fellowship Hall will honor these participants and their families. If you are planning on attending, we need an accurate count for the caterer. Please contact **Cindy Lindeen-Martin** (303-388-4678 ext. 117 or lindeen-martin@augustanadenver.org) by Monday, April 27.

Chancel Choir Dinner and Awards

Wednesday, May 13 marks a day of celebration honoring all Chancel Choir singers for their tremendous dedication to the Music Ministry at Augustana in 2014–15. All singers and their families are invited to join Dick Larson and Cindy Lindeen-Martin for a fine catered meal and fun times. Chancel Choir members, please let Dick or Cindy know that you will be coming and how many by Friday, May 8. More information will be available at upcoming choir rehearsals and through e-mail correspondences.

Senior Ministry

April Luncheon

Our April luncheon will be Maundy Thursday, April 2, in Fellowship Hall following 11 a.m. worship and will not feature a program due to worship prior to lunch. Judy Nyquist and her crew will appreciate your reservation to Augustana's office (303-388-4678) to help plan their lunch. Visitors are welcome, so invite your friends to attend the service and enjoy a delicious luncheon afterwards.

Musica Sacra Chamber Orchestra Masterworks

Two-Way Street, featuring The Narrators

Philip Ficsor, Violin

- Friday April 24, 7:30 p.m., Augustana's Fellowship Hall
- Saturday April 25, 7:30 p.m., Denver Music Summit, McNichols Civic Center

This is collaborative Story-Telling on an Orchestral Scale!

In MSCO's most compelling collaboration yet, the orchestra teams up with Denver's story-telling ensemble, The Narrators, for a program that explores the narrative qualities in great music as well as the musical qualities in great stories. They will have paid attention to how the music affects them, inspires feelings within them, evokes story lines, but most of all how it relates to their everyday lives. This side of the Two-Way Street culminates in their telling of the story they have found in the music, in collaboration with a performance by MSCO. On the other side of the street, as it were, The Narrators will fashion their own stories to which MSCO must react and respond with music that illuminates and completes their narratives. Three as-yet-unnamed masterworks will accompany the stories created in The Narrators' bold, honest style.

While this much of the program illustrates the Two-Way Street between two genres of art, and between different kinds of performing artists on stage, a second Two-Way Street is yet to be explored—the one joining artists and audience. This final facet of the program will allow audience members to write their own stories to the music they hear, and if they wish, will have their stories interpreted live before the audience that very night by the talented and insightful Narrators.

Purchase tickets (\$24/adult, \$15/senior, \$15/student, and \$8/child 5–12 years) online at www.augustanaarts.org, by phone at 303-388-4962, or at the door the night of the event.

Fellowship

Theater and Theology



Theater and Theology brings members of Rocky Mountain Synod congregations in and near Denver to productions of the Denver Center for the Performing Arts. After viewing a play, we do a talk-back discussion with cast members on theological issues raised in the play. The plays and these discussions can challenge and stimulate our faith, and, therefore, the mission of the Church, in a unique way. For more information, contact **Rosalee Wanchisen** (303-759-9836).

The 12

Tuesday, April 21, 6:30 p.m., Stage Theatre, Tickets: \$35

Registration with check payable to Rocky Mountain Synod and footnoted "T&T Augustana: The 12" must reach Augustana's office by Tuesday, March 31.

Thrilling, heart-pounding music and one of the most influential stories of all time unite in *The 12*, for what Broadwayworld.com calls "a powerful rock and roll experience that rises up from where *Jesus Christ Superstar* ends." *The 12* enacts the ultimate test of faith faced by the disciples in the wake of their leader's unthinkable death with an original, authentic classic rock music score. *The 12* is a rockin' and profoundly honest journey of fear, doubt, and, ultimately, love.

Trailblazers

Flying J Ranch Hike

Saturday, April 18, leave Augustana's south parking lot at 9 a.m.

Enjoy an easy hike through meadows and forests of lush aspen glades, ponderosa and lodge pole pine. Located between Evergreen and Conifer, this park contains an abandoned runway that gives the park its name.

Rating: Easy

Distance: 4 miles round trip

Elevation: 8,000 to 8,200 feet

Guide: **Ron Johnson** (303-745-4047)

Helping Others

Pancake Generosity

On Ash Wednesday, February 18, the Augustana Thrivent Action Team hosted a pancake supper to benefit Metro CareRing.



Thrivent donated \$250 which paid all expenses, plus a donation of four boxes of diapers and five jars of peanut butter. The pancake customers donated \$325 which was given directly to Metro CareRing. Thanks for your generosity!

Thanks to volunteers Greg Bickle, Emmett and Katherine Cruson, Joni Hopkins, Judy Kessenich, Win and Judy Nyquist, Peggy O’Connell, Glenna O’Neal, Wally Thomsen, and Carol Troike for their efforts.

Thanks to Ken and Kay Madsen for speaking about Metro CareRing.

Grand Opening Celebration at Metro Caring’s Hunger Relief Center

Thursday, April 23, 4–7 p.m., 1100 E. Downing St., Denver

Join your friends at Metro Caring for an open house-style event. Take a tour of the beautiful new building that has been under construction since May. Walk through the Fresh-Foods Market, Nutrition Education Center (with Teaching Kitchen), Rooftop Teaching Garden, the “Seeds for Success” Greenhouse, and the Community Health Services Room.

The Hunger Relief Center will enable the organization to offer more comprehensive services to improve people’s health and potential for self-sufficiency. All of this is possible because of your critical support, and we thank you!

Celebrate with Metro Caring at this festive evening. RSVP online at <https://hrcgrandopening.eventbrite.com>. “Like” us on Facebook to see photos of the building. Contact **Susie Sigman** (ssigman@metrocaring.org).



Augustana’s Global Mission Team offers these ELCA global concerns for your awareness and prayer:

Holy Land: ELCA presiding bishop visits companion church

In mid-January, ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton led a delegation to the Holy Land. On what was her first visit to the region, she met with political and religious leaders in the region and with members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land, an ELCA companion church. See www.ELCA.org/News-and-Events/7721.

Africa: ELCA response to Ebola totals \$275,000

With more aid planned, the ELCA, working with partners including its companion churches in Liberia and Sierra Leone, has provided \$275,000 in aid for those affected by Ebola. The disease has had a “devastating impact” on the lives of many people, particularly women and children, said Vitaly Vorana, program director for Lutheran Disaster Response. See www.ELCA.org/News-and-Events/7720.

Ukraine: Humanitarian assistance helps thousands fleeing conflict

Working with ACT Alliance members Hungarian Interchurch Aid and the Russian Orthodox Church, Lutheran Disaster Response is providing food, water, blankets, diapers and hygiene kits to approximately 20,000 refugees and other people who have fled from the conflict in the Donetsk and Lugansk regions of Ukraine. See www.ELCA.org/News-and-Events/blogs/ELCALutheranDisasterResponse/287.

Central America: Aid helps work with unaccompanied child immigrants

The ELCA has provided nearly \$400,000 in humanitarian assistance to help support its partners who serve the thousands of unaccompanied minors coming to the United States from Central America. See www.ELCA.org/News-and-Events/7719.


Personal Care Kits: Resurrecting hope this Easter season

When Lutheran World Relief distributes Personal Care Kits, it's often to people who have lost everything. In the aftermath of an earthquake, or having fled from violence as their homes were overtaken, they clasp a towel from a faraway place, with a bar of soap, a toothbrush etc. In washing up, they know that they have not been forsaken by the world.

The very simple gesture of giving a Personal Care Kit can give someone the encouragement to start anew. You can share God's grace and love by providing that simple comfort.

Assembling a Personal Care Kit

Include the following items in each Personal Care Kit:

	1 light-weight bath-size towel (maximum 52" x 27"), dark color recommended
	2 bath-size bars of soap (4 to 5 oz.), any brand, in original wrapping
	1 adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging
	1 sturdy comb, remove packaging
	1 metal nail clippers (attached file optional), remove packaging

Toothbrush multi-packs may be used by sealing an individual toothbrush in a business-size envelope—no plastic bags or wrap.

Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed. All items should be new and in good condition. Wrap all the items in the towel and tie securely with ribbons or yarn. Do not enclose it or any of its contents in plastic bags.

- Please give new items only, except where otherwise noted.
- Please do not donate items with any religious symbols, messages, or your congregation's name.
- Please do not donate any items decorated with a U.S. flag, patriotic or military symbols, or references to the armed forces, including camouflage.

Bring kits to the box in Augustana's Fellowship Hall between April 12 and Pentecost, May 24!

Gifts for shipping

Monetary gifts for shipping and toothpaste are also accepted. It costs Lutheran World Relief about \$2.65 per Personal Care Kit to add toothpaste and deliver it overseas. If you are not able to assemble kits, consider giving a donation to help LWR ship the kits. Make checks payable to Augustana and memo "LWR Shipping."






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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						
5 Easter The Resurrection of Our Lord Worship/Communion 8am Easter Breakfast 9:30am Worship/Communion 9:30am Easter Egg Hunt 9:30am Worship/Communion 11am	6 7pm - office closed - Transition Team	7 9am Library Committee 5:30pm Yoga 6:30pm Theater and Theology: <i>One Night in Miami</i> 7pm Chapel Prayer	8 9:45am Augustana Firm Believers	9 9am Augustana Arts: Tiny Tois Denver Brass 9:30am Sarah Circle 5:30pm Restorative Yoga	10 9:15am Silver Notes 9:45am Augustana Firm Believers	11
12 Second Sunday of Easter Health Ministry Sunday Worship/Communion 8am 9:15am Learning/Fellowship 10:30am Worship Noon Prayer Shawl Ministry See JASS below	13 9:45am Augustana Firm Believers 10am Chapel Prayer 11am Prayer Team 1pm Mary Circle 5:30pm Executive Committee 6pm Stewardship Committee 7pm Augustana Early Learning Center Board	14 9:30am Deborah Circle 5:30pm Yoga 6pm Children's/Family Ministry Committee 7pm Chapel Prayer	15 7:45am Lutheran Men of Greater Denver 9:45am Augustana Firm Believers 6pm Middle School Drop-In 6pm Augustana Ringers 7:30pm Chancel Choir	16 5:30pm The Tower deadline 5:30pm Green Team 7pm Restorative Yoga Property Committee	17 9:15am Silver Notes 9:45am Augustana Firm Believers 7:30pm Augustana Arts: Colorado Christian University	18 9am Trailblazers: Flying J Ranch Hike
19 Third Sunday of Easter Worship/Communion 8am 9:15am Learning/Fellowship 10:30am Set-up: 9Health Fair 10:30am Worship/Communion Noon College Care Packages See JASS below	20 7am-noon 9Health Fair 10am Chapel Prayer 7pm Transition Team 7:15pm Altar Guild	21 7am-noon 9Health Fair 5:30pm Yoga 6:30pm Theater & Theology: <i>The Twelve</i> 7pm Chapel Prayer 7pm Congregation Council	22 9:45am Augustana Firm Believers 6pm Augustana Ringers 7:30pm Chancel Choir	23 4:30pm Augustana Early Learning Center Spring Concert 5:30pm Restorative Yoga 6pm Augustana Arts Board	24 9:15am Silver Notes 9:45am Augustana Firm Believers 7:30pm Augustana Arts: Musica Sacra Chamber Orchestra Masterworks	25
26 Fourth Sunday of Easter Volunteer Recognition Sunday Worship/Communion 8am 9:15am Learning/Fellowship 10:30am Worship See JASS below	27 8:30am Foot Care Clinic 9:45am Augustana Firm Believers 10am Chapel Prayer 11:15am Book Group	28 12:30pm Senior Ministry Committee 1pm The Tower Assembly 5:30pm Yoga 7pm Chapel Prayer 7pm Rachel Circle	29 9:45am Augustana Firm Believers 6pm Augustana Ringers 7:30pm Chancel Choir	30 5:30pm Restorative Yoga		

11:30am	Lunch, Senior High Drop-in
12:15pm	Cherubs, Choristers, GraceNotes, Augustana Family Ensemble, Parent Groups
1pm	Recorders, Y Hope, SONshine Ringers, Parent Groups
1:45pm	BELLievers, Parent Groups



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All services are in the Sanctuary. Nursery care will be available.

Easter Sunday, The Resurrection of Our Lord, April 5

8 a.m. • 9:30 a.m. • 11 a.m. Worship/Communion
8:30-11 a.m. Easter Breakfast - Fellowship Hall
9:30 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt - Courtyard

Good Friday, April 3

Noon Worship
7 p.m. *Worship - Seven Last Words* by Steven Morgan
Augustana 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders celebrate First Communion
7 p.m. **Worship/Communion**
Luncheon follows worship (see page 10)

Mundy Thursday, April 2

11 a.m. **Worship/Communion**

8 a.m. **Worship/Communion**

Palm Sunday/Sunday of the Passion, March 29

Holy Week/Easter Worship

