

Augsburg Evangelical Lutheran Church
Sunday Worship ~ October 4, 2020

Welcome & Announcements

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. *C: And also with you.*

Song – Oh Sing to God Above ¹

Oh sing to God above a hymn of joyful greeting,
a song of grateful love in the new days light repeating:
You made the sea and sky, the sun and stars in splendor;
delight shone in your eye- all your works were filled with wonder.

Refrain: Alleluia! Alleluia! Oh, sing to God above: Alleluia! (repeat)

Oh sing to God above, a hymn of praise and blessing,
a song of grateful love, hope and faith our hearts expressing:
creation lifts its voice to tell your might and glory,
and, we too, will rejoice to proclaim the saving story. (*Refrain*)

The Litany

L: O Lord, I cry to you

C: In the morning my prayer comes before you.

L: Let my mouth be full of your praise

C: and your glory all the day long.

L: Every day I will bless you,

C: and praise your name forever.

L: Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness, O God of our salvation,

C: O hope of all the ends of the earth and of the seas that are far away.

L: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

C: and all that is within me bless God's holy name.

Prayer of the Day

A Reading: Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained clear.
And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death for ever.
Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the Lord has spoken.
It will be said on that day,
Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.
This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.
The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.
You restore my soul, O LORD,
and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.
Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

A Reading: Matthew 22:1-5a & 8-10

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet." But they made light of it and went away, Then the king said to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet." Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

Reflection

Song: United at the Table²

Refrain: United at the table: all our joy is joined in song.
United in the faith: all our joy to God belongs.

We will praise God, we will sing alleluias with hymns and with psalmody;
We will praise God for the love that sustains us eternally.
We will praise God, we will play alleluias with rhythm and instruments;
we will praise God for the love that invites all creation to dance. [*refrain*]

Prayers of the People

We pray: *Lord, in your mercy...* and respond: *Hear our prayer*

The Sending of Holy Communion

The Lord's Prayer

L: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us;

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Benediction

Hymn – The Lord Now Sends Us Forth³

The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give,
to make of all the earth a better place to live.

The angels are not sent into this world of pain
to do what we were meant to do in Jesus' name;
that falls to you and me and all who are made free.
Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will today.

Dismissal

L: Go now to love and serve the Lord. *C: Thanks be to God*

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