



**+ Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
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**Order for Worship**

*In Isaiah we are given a vision of the great feast to come,  
when God will wipe away death forever. In Jesus' parable about a great banquet,  
those invited do not come, so the invitation is extended to others.  
In our liturgy God spreads a table before us. Even amid anxiety and hardship,  
we rejoice in the peace of God which surpasses all understanding.  
With great joy we receive God's gifts and go forth to share the wonderful invitation with others  
who are also hungering and thirsting for the abundant life of God.*

**Prelude**

*Dona Nobis Pacem*

**ELW 753**

**Welcome**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,  
in whose image we are made,  
who claims us and calls us beloved.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Holy One,

**C: we confess that we are not awake to you and for you.**

**We are not faithful in using your gifts.**

**We forget the least of our siblings.**

**We do not see your beautiful image in one another.**

**We are infected by sin that divides your beloved community.**

**Open our hearts to your coming,**

**open our eyes to see you in our neighbor,**

**open our hands to serve your creation. Amen.**

P: Beloved, we are God's children,  
and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us.

Through ✠ Jesus you are forgiven,

by Jesus you are welcome,

in Jesus you are called to rejoice!

Let us live in the promises prepared for us  
from the foundation of the world.

**C: Amen.**



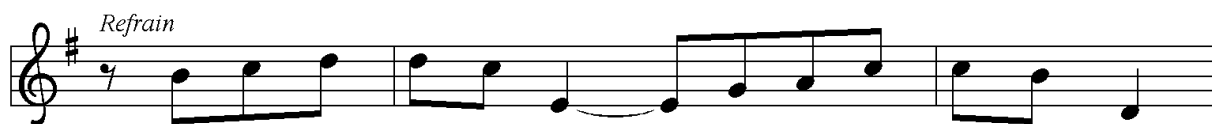
1 Light dawns on a wea - ry world when eyes be - gin to  
 2 Love grows in a wea - ry world when hun - gry hearts find  
 3 Hope blooms in a wea - ry world when crea - tures, once for -



see all peo - ple's dig - ni - ty. Light dawns on a  
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wea - ry world: the prom - ised day of jus - tice comes.  
 wea - ry world: the prom - ised feast of plen - ty comes.  
 wea - ry world: the prom - ised green of E - den comes.



The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs;



the hills and moun - tains shall break forth with sing - ing!



We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,



as all the world in won - der ech - oes sha - lom.

## Greeting

P: 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.**

## Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray. Lord of the feast,  
you have prepared a table before all peoples and poured out your life with abundance.  
Call us again to your banquet. Strengthen us by what is honorable, just, and pure,  
and transform us into a people of righteousness and peace,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

## Reading – Isaiah 25: 1-9

<sup>1</sup>O LORD, you are my God;

I will exalt you, I will praise your name;  
for you have done wonderful things,  
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.

<sup>2</sup>For you have made the city a heap,  
the fortified city a ruin;  
the palace of aliens is a city no more,  
it will never be rebuilt.

<sup>3</sup>Therefore strong peoples will glorify you;  
cities of ruthless nations will fear you.

<sup>4</sup>For you have been a refuge to the poor,  
a refuge to the needy in their distress,  
a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat.

When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm,

<sup>5</sup>the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place,  
you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds;  
the song of the ruthless was stilled.

<sup>6</sup>On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples  
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,  
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

<sup>7</sup>And the Lord will destroy on this mountain  
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,  
the sheet that is spread over all nations;

<sup>8</sup>the Lord will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces,  
and the disgrace of God's people the Lord will take away from all the earth,  
for the LORD has spoken.

<sup>9</sup>It will be said on that day,  
Lo, this is our God; we have waited for the Lord, so that God might save us.  
This is the LORD for whom we have waited;  
let us be glad and rejoice in God's salvation.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 23**

*The psalm will be spoken.*

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is my shepherd;  
I shall not be in want.  
<sup>2</sup>The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures  
and leads me beside still waters.  
<sup>3</sup>You restore my soul, O LORD,  
and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.  
<sup>4</sup>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.  
<sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.  
<sup>6</sup>Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

## **Second Reading – Philippians 4: 1-9**

<sup>1</sup>My kindred, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

<sup>2</sup>I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. <sup>3</sup>Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

<sup>4</sup>Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. <sup>5</sup>Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup>Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup>And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

<sup>8</sup>Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. <sup>9</sup>Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

P: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Acclamation**

P: Alleluia. This is the Lord for whom we have awaited;  
let us be glad and rejoice in God's salvation. Alleluia.

## **Gospel – Matthew 22: 1-14**

P: The holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: <sup>2</sup>“The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. <sup>3</sup>He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. <sup>4</sup>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.’ <sup>5</sup>But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, <sup>6</sup>while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. <sup>7</sup>The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. <sup>8</sup>Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. <sup>9</sup>Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ <sup>10</sup>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.

<sup>11</sup>“But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, <sup>12</sup>and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. <sup>13</sup>Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ <sup>14</sup>For many are called, but few are chosen.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Children's Word**

## **Children's Song**

## **Sermon**

*Refrain*

Let us go now to the banquet,  
to the feast of the universe.  
The table's set and a place is waiting;  
come, ev'ryone, with your gifts to share.

*Estribillo*

Vamos todos al banquete,  
a la mesa de la creación;  
cada cual con su taburete  
tiene un puesto y una misión.

2 God invites all the poor and hungry  
to the banquet of justice and good  
where the harvest will not be hoarded  
so that no one will lack for food. *Refrain*

2 Dios invita a todos los pobres  
a esta mesa común por la fe,  
donde no hay acaparadores  
y a nadie le falta el conqué. *Estribillo*

3 May we build such a place among us  
where all people are equal in love.  
God has called us to work together  
and to share ev'rything we have. *Refrain*

3 Dios nos manda a hacer de este mundo  
una mesa donde haya igualdad,  
trabajando y luchando juntos,  
compartiendo la propiedad. *Estribillo*

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**Prayers of the People**

A: With confidence in God's grace and mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*After each petition*

A: God of mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: Listen as we call on you, O God, and enfold in your loving arms all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior.

**C: Amen.**

## **Lord's Prayer**

P: Gathered as 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.**

**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**

P: The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.

**C: Amen.**

P: The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: The God of all grace ☩ bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## **Dismissal**

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Sending Hymn**

*Rejoice in the Lord Always*

*Following Page*



**Sending Hymn**

*Rejoice in the Lord Always*

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*Abbreviations*

P: Pastor/Presiding Minister

L: Lector

**C: Congregation**

***ELW: Evangelical Lutheran Worship hymnal***

*Those serving in worship today*

|                             |                                    |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Prelude                     | Jimmi and Timothy Kocher-Hillmer   |
| Lector                      | Sharon Koch                        |
| Psalm                       | Maria Mangano                      |
| Lector                      | Maria Mangano                      |
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| Sending Hymn                | Sarah, Nicholas, and Sylvia Reeder |
| Minister of Music           | Amy Bartoli                        |
| Director of Faith Formation | Christopher Atwood                 |
| Presiding Minister          | Pastor Ross Carmichael             |

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