



As We Gather Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost Oct. 11, 2020
10:00 a.m.

“Come to the table.” In our daily experiences, there is no invitation that is more readily received and fully appreciated. To be at the table is to be assured of nourishment and refreshment. In Psalm 23, we are told of a table that is prepared under challenging circumstances. Yet, even there, the cup of God’s blessing overflows. Our gathering for worship and our coming to the Table of the Lord is a weekly experience of overflowing blessing filled with signs of God’s gracious presence. We rejoice that we are invited to His amazing table!

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**PRELUDE
WELCOME**

PREPARATION

INVOCATION

L In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

OPENING HYMN 981 “To Your Temple, Lord, I Come”



1 To Your tem - ple, Lord, I come, For it
2 I through Him am rec - on - ciled, I through
3 While Your glo - rious praise is sung, Touch my
4 While the prayers of saints as - cend, God of



is my wor - ship home. This earth has no
Him be - come Your child. Ab - ba, Fa - ther,
lips, un - loose my tongue That my joy - ful
love, to mine at - tend. Hear me, for Your



bet - ter place, Here I see my Sav - ior's face.
give me grace In Your courts Your love to trace.
soul may bless Christ the Lord, my righ - teous - ness.
Spir - it pleads; Hear, for Je - sus in - ter - cedes.

OPENING SENTENCES Psalm 9:2; 33:20–22; 122:1

L I was glad when they said to me,

C **“Let us go to the house of the Lord!”**

L I will be glad and exult in You;

C **I will sing praise to Your name, O Most High.**

L Our soul waits for the Lord;

C **He is our help and our shield.**

L For our heart is glad in Him, because we trust in His holy name.

C **Let Your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us, even as we hope in You.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- L Let us now make confession of our sins to God, our heavenly Father.
- C **O God our Father, we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. We have transgressed Your law and have brought injury to others. We have not always shown forth our faith in every aspect of our lives. We sincerely repent of our sins. Have mercy on us and hear this, our confession, O Lord. Grant us Your grace and forgiveness in Jesus Christ. By the renewing work of the Holy Spirit within us, lead us to amend our sinful lives that each day we grow in righteousness and godly living to the glory of Your holy name.**
- L In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C **Amen.**

WORD

INTROIT Isaiah 61:10; antiphon: Psalm 146:2

- L I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
- C **I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**
- L I will greatly rejoice in the LORD;
- C **my soul shall exult in my God,**
- L for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation;
- C **he has covered me with the robe of righteousness**
- L as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress,
- C **and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.**
- ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**
- L I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
- C **I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**

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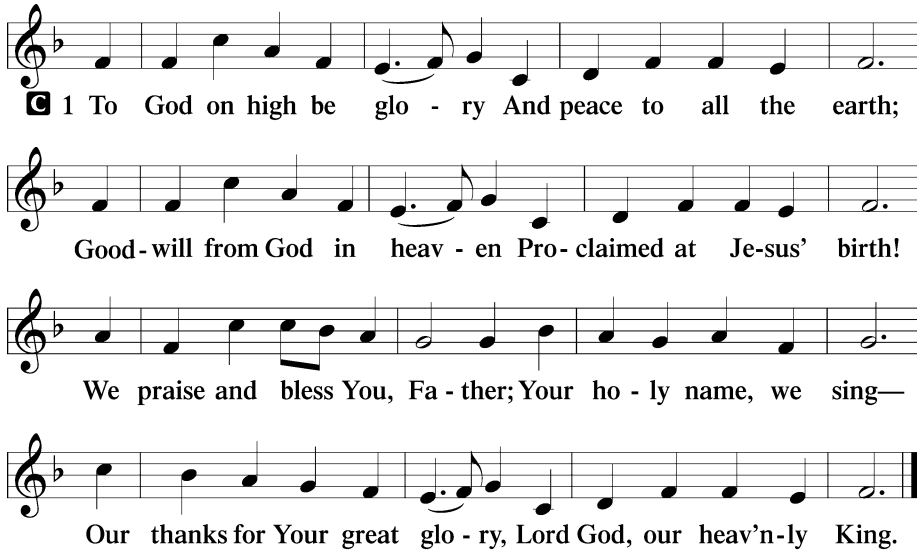
LSB 227



Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

LSB 204



1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.

SALUTATION

- L The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- L Let us pray.
Almighty God, You invite us to trust in You for our salvation. Deal with us not in the severity of Your judgment but by the greatness of Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 25:6–9

⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. ⁷And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. ⁸He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. ⁹It will be said on that day, “Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.”

- L This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING **Philippians 4:4–13**

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; ⁶do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ⁸Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you. ¹⁰I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ¹¹Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. ¹²I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. ¹³I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

- L This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

VERSE **Revelation 22:17**

- L Alleluia. The Spirit and the Bride say, “Come.” Let the one who hears say, “Come.”
C **Let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price. Alleluia.**

HOLY GOSPEL **Matthew 22:1–14**

- L The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹Again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, ²“The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, ³and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.’ ⁵But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to

his business, ⁶while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. ⁷The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. ⁸Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.’ ¹⁰And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹“But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. ¹²And he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen.”

L This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY #803 “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”

SERMON “The Secret of Contentment” Philippians 4:4-13

APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

L With full confidence that our prayers will be heard by our loving God, we offer our petitions for the Church, the world, and all people in need. O Lord,

C **in Your mercy, hear our prayer.**

[*Petitions...*] P O Lord, C **in Your mercy, hear our prayer.**

- L As we remember with gratitude those whose earthly lives are now completed, we ask that we be blessed by the memory of all who have fallen asleep in Jesus, especially those of this community of faith who have left behind examples of joyful trust and blessed hope. O Lord,
- C **in Your mercy, hear our prayer. Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSING SENTENCES Philippians 3:20–22; 4:20

- L But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body to be like His glorious body, by the power that enables Him even to subject all things to Himself.
- C **To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.**

BENEDICTION

- L The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God in the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us all.
- C **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN #733 “O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

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PRAYER LIST: Dennis Copeland, healing; Reina Love Ramirez, hospital (infant daughter of Sindia Ramirez, Preschool teacher); Turk Chaney, healing; Melissa Chaney, healing; Rebecca Armstrong(17), open heart surgery, friend of Sophie Hood; Mary Webster, cancer treatments; Deedee Halterman, lung cancer, sister-in-law of Maggie and George Halterman; Velda, breast cancer, friend of Sophie Hood; Lucy Brookshire, cancer, sister of Nancy Schleiger; Lyle Powelson, kidney cancer; Harold Holtz, cancer treatments; Karen Droubay, cancer, friend of Reeds; Tom Stettler, Southern Utah Veterans Home; the homebound.

CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Wednesday	Oct 14	11:00 a.m.	Bible Study
Wednesday	Oct 14	1-4 p.m.	Ceramics Class
Wednesday	Oct 14	1 p.m.	Childcare Board Meeting
Thursday	Oct. 15	11:00 a.m.	Childcare Chapel

CHURCH RUMMAGE SALE

Our church rummage is finally going to happen! October 24 from 8:00 a.m. to noon. We have items in storage that were donated last spring. We can bring additional items also: no clothes, please, and baked goods must be individually wrapped. Set will be Thursday and Friday, Oct. 22 and 23 at 8:00 a.m. Any questions call Maggie at 805-709-2442

CHILDCARE RUMMAGE SALE

Mesquite Lutheran Childcare is holding a charity rummage/craft/food sale on October 24 from 7 AM to 2 PM. Rent a parking space to sell your stuff.

1 spot = \$20.00 2 spots = \$35.00

We will do the advertising – just set up and take down your stuff. Deadline to register is Oct. 23, 2020. Please call the Childcare center to 702-346-3954 for more information or to register.

I am excited to announce that Women's Bible Study will resume on Monday, October 26th at 10:00-11:30. We will be meeting each Monday from that day forward. The only difference is that on the *first* Monday of each month, the women's group MLC of MLC meets and that Monday each month we will meet at 11:30-1:00. Our class generally lasts for 1 hour, but I am setting it at an hour and a half in case there is a lot of discussion on a particular day. We will be resuming our study of Max Lucado's Life Lessons from John. We will be beginning on Lesson 3- The woman at the well. Please read through and answer questions from this chapter and we will review together on October 26th. If you don't have the book I will have to order you a copy. The fee will be \$10.00, please let me know asap if I will need to order one for you. If you have never experienced a Bible study, I ask that you prayerfully consider joining us. The past two years with these wonderful women have been such an encouragement to me. Hope to see you there. Christine Constien 815-409-2035

Please join us with treats for our annual Childcare TRUNK OR TREAT on Oct. 30th at 11:00 AM in our church parking lot. Please wear a mask and gloves. Also thank you to everyone who donated from the apples to the school. Brandy Templeton

BIRTHDAYS

Oct. 12 Carol Shepherd	Oct. 14 Edith Haber
Oct. 15 Dennis Copeland	Oct. 20 Sophie Hood
Oct. 20 Nila Katsaros	Oct. 21 Mike Yantis
Oct. 21 Pete Gerken	Oct. 22 Ernie Duncker
Oct. 22 Jan Crouch	Oct. 30 Linda Grimsrud

ANNIVERSARIES

Oct. 17 Scott & Carol VanLente
Oct. 23 Frank & Mary Ellen Ethington
Oct. 29 Jerry & Georgia Townsend