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Matthew 22:1-2

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To listen to the service, please turn your radio to \underline{FM} 88.9 Thank you for joining our service today.

Please leave your offering in the plate at the door as you enter or leave the service.

This worship we will be using WOV Setting 5.

You may stand during worship with asterisk (*) in this bulletin.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude Karen Niemeier

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

WOV page 10

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. C: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen**

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Most merciful God,

C: Father eternal, giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you and against our neighbor, in what we have thought, in what we have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are sorry and ashamed and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light. Amen

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with repentance and faith turn to him, have mercy on you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life, through + Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C:Amen

* Gathering Hymn "As We Gather at Your Table" ELW #522

* Greeting WOV page 28

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.

* Kyrie P: Kyrie eleison.

WOV page 28

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Christe eleison

C: Christ, have mercy.

P: Kyrie eleison

C: Lord, have mercy.

*Hymn of Praise

WOV page 29

C: Glory to God, glory to God in the highest; glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:

We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Glory to God,...

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

Glory to God...

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High.

Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Glory to God...

* Prayer of the Day

WOV page 30

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.

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading: Isaiah 25:1-9

¹O 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. ²For 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.

³Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. ⁴For 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, ⁵the 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. ⁶On 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. ⁷And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; ⁸he will swallow up death forever. 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. ⁹It 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.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C:Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

¹The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

²He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

³He revives my soul and guides me along right pathways for his name's sake.

⁴Though 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.

⁵You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

⁶Surely your 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

¹My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

²I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. ³Yes, 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.

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶Do not worry 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, 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. ⁹Keep 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.

L: The Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Acclamation

WOV page 32

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

Alleluia. You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia, alleluia.

* Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew. C: Glory to you, O Lord

¹Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: ²"The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. ³He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come.

⁴Again 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.' ⁵But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. ⁷The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. ⁸Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' ¹⁰Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, ¹² and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. ¹³Then 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.' ¹⁴For many are

called, but few are chosen."

P: The gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Vicar Thomas Mosbo

* Hymn of the Day "Soul, Adorn Yourself With Gladness" ELW#488



* Nicene Creed WOV page 32

P: With the whole church, let us confess our faith,

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Congregation responds to each petition with the following:

L: Grace of God,

C: hear our prayer.

We lift our prayers for

Lynn Lyvers, Jerry, Sheridan Brinker, Fern Harnish, Taylor B., Denny Bergmann, Willie Kayser, Rene', Sue Kraft, Paul Fahr, Gary Hudik, Sue Rush, Leona Block, Connor Stadermann, Brooke, Jon Forsythe, Diane, Randy, Brian, Paul Heller, Janet, Ryse Stone, Nicole, Meghan and her baby, John, Chuck, Joyce, Terri, Tina, Julie, Jamie, Crystal, Katie, Christian, Anna, Abby, Karla, Jacob and his family, Richard Gordon, Kay, Shanna, Kathy, Charlie, Brad, Jack, Gretchen, Tina, Joe, Dan Kempel, Justin Yeager, Sue, Emma, Cindy, Lamar Hail, Connie, Rachel Collins, Jim Clay, Sharon Janicke, Ethan Hanna, Mr. & Mrs. Ron Heckman, Dena Rae, Vera Kempel, Jeri, Allie, Richard and Al. Pray for love, peace, comfort and hope of resurrection for the families and friends of Brett Kaiser.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Peace WOV page 34

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Please greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

Great Thanksgiving

WOV page 36

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface WOV page 36

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,

through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

WOV page 36

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest

Eucharistic Prayer

WOV page 37

Lord's Prayer

WOV page 39

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray,

C: Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,

thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

And forgive us our trespasses

as we forgive those who trespass against us;

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil,

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

Lamb of God WOV page 39

C: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Hymn

"Eat This Bread"

ELW #472

Communion WOV page 39

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

C: Amen.

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

WOV page 41

P: The Lord bless you and keep you,

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you,

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace,

In the name of the Father, \oplus and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

*Sending Hymn

"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!"

ELW #873

* Dismissal

WOV page 41

P. Go in peace. Christ is at work in you.

C. Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Karen Niemeier

Attendance September 24^h

In-person 27. Online Views not available, technical issues.