

Sunday, October 11, 2020 10:45 A.M.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Gather Us In

Here in this place, new light is streaming,
Now is the darkness vanished away
See in this space our fears and our dreamings,
Brought here to you in the light of this day
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken
Gather us in, the blind and the lame
Call to us now and we shall awaken
We shall arise at the sound of our name

We are the young, our lives are a mystery
We are the old who yearn for your face
We have been sung throughout all of history
Called to be light to the whole human race
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty
Gather us in, the proud and the strong
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly
Give us the courage to enter the song

Here we will take the wine and the water
Here we will take the bread of new birth
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters
Call us anew to be salt for the earth
Give us to drink the wine of compassion

Give us to eat the bread that is you Nourish us well and teach us to fashion Lives that are holy and hearts that are true

Not in the dark of buildings confining
Not in some heaven light years away
But here in this place, the new light is shining
Now is the kingdom, now is the day
Gather us in and hold us forever
Gather us in and make us your own
Gather us in, all peoples together
Fire of love in our flesh and our bones

WELCOME & PRAYER

GATHERING SONGS Let Us Break Bread Together

Let us break bread together on our knees, Let us break bread together on our knees. When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees, Let us drink wine together on our knees. When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me

Let us praise God together on our knees, Let us praise God together on our knees When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me

Halleluya, We Sing Your Praises

Chorus: Halleluya! We sing your praises, All our hearts are filled with gladness. Halleluya! We sing your praises, All our hearts are filled with gladness Christ the Lord to us said:
I am wine, I am bread;
I am wine, I am bread,
give to all who thirst and hunger
Chorus

Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt; strong in faith, free of doubt, tell to all the joyful Gospel Chorus

WORD

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 22:1-14

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, ¹²and 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."

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

Rev. Christina Garrett Klein

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We sing our prayers today. You are invited to share the prayers you lift to God during livestream worship.

All Who are Thirsty

All who are thirsty
All who are weak
Come to the fountain
Dip your heart in the stream of life

Let the pain and the sorrow

Be washed away

In the waves of His mercy

As deep cries out to deep

Come, Lord Jesus, come Come, Lord Jesus, come Come, Lord Jesus, come Come, Lord Jesus, come

All who are thirsty
All who are weak
Come to the fountain
Dip your heart in the stream of life

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As deep cries out to deep

Holy Spirit, come Holy Spirit, come Holy Spirit, come Holy Spirit, come

MEAL

We practice two sacraments in the Lutheran tradition: baptism and holy communion. These are celebrated in community, in public worship, where we can all participate and remember together: God is known for using ordinary earthly things (like water, bread, and wine) to make extraordinary promises (like forgiveness, salvation, healing and new life) to creation.

Today is a good reminder that this simple meal nourishes God's community across time and space - this is why we call it communion. We would rather be with you in person for the sacrament today, but we trust Jesus to show up beyond our limitations, to meet us in this separation with a Spirit that unites, to feed us with the bread of life who is our source and strength.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

We don't serve ourselves communion because there's something holy about that promise coming from outside our own bodies, a perfect declaration from God spoken to us by our neighbor: This is the body of Christ, given for you. This is the blood of Christ, poured out for you. If you are gathered together with others from your household, speak these words aloud when you serve each other. If you do not have someone in the room with you while you receive the sacrament, hear my voice as the external word of grace and invitation.

+ + Receive the Meal + +

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. We pause for prayer and reflection, offering time to commune one another.

SENDING

OFFERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

SENDING SONG The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing

The trumpets sound, the angels sing
The feast is ready to begin
The gates of heav'n are open wide
And Jesus welcomes you inside

Chorus: Sing with thankfulness
Songs of pure delight
Come and revel in heaven's love and light
Take your place at the table of the King
The feast is ready to begin
The feast is ready to begin

Tables are laden with good things O taste the peace and joy He brings He'll fill you up with love divine He'll turn your water into wine

Chorus

The hungry heart He satisfies Offers the poor His paradise Now hear all heav'n and earth applaud The amazing goodness of the Lord

Chorus

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Remember the poor. **Thanks be to God.**

See you next week for worship livestream at 5pm on Saturday and 8:45am & 10:45am on Sunday!



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Thank you for worshipping with us today as we seek to be in community with one another while minimizing physical contact. As a gentle reminder, please continue to wash your hands for the recommended 20 seconds, wear a mask and create safe boundaries through physical distancing.

We know that God is with us and God is at work, wherever we worship. We have updated a guideline for worship and all church activities for Phase 4, available on our email blast and church website. Please check your email, Facebook, etc., for additional notifications and updates in the coming weeks, and contact the church council (council@edgebrooklutheran.org) with any concerns.

Stay safe and be well! God's peace to you!!