

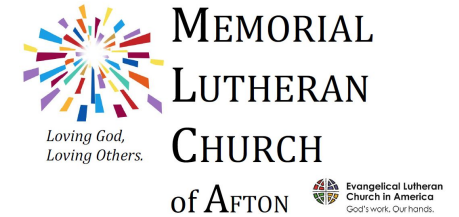
Philippians 4: 4-9

4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. 5 Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. 6 Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. 8 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. 9 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.

Matthew 22: 1-14

1 Once 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. 3 He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. 4 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.' 5 But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, 6 while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. 7 The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. 8 Then he said to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. 9 Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' 10 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. 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. 13 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.' 14 For many are called, but few are chosen."

October 11, 2020



Gathering Music

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Hymn

O Day of Rest and Gladness

ELW #521

Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation. **Amen.**

We begin worship with a time of reflection and honesty before God and one another.

Silence is kept for reflection

Faithful God, **have mercy on us.**

We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.

We turn from your loving embrace to serve worldly masters.

We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves.

We place our own needs before those of our neighbors.

We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves.

Give us humble hearts that turn away from sin so we can walk every day in the newness of life you alone can give. Amen.

God hears the cries of all who call out in need,

through his death and resurrection, Christ has made us his own.

Hear the truth that God proclaims: Your sins are forgiven in the name of +Jesus Christ. Led by the Holy Spirit, live now in freedom and do God's work in the world. **Amen.**

Prayer

Scripture Reading, Philippians 4: 4-9, *found on back of bulletin*

Gospel Reading, Matthew 22: 1-14, *found on back of bulletin*

Sermon Pastor Elizabeth Damico-Carper

Hymn of the Day *Let us Go Now, to the Banquet* **ELW**
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Prayers of Intercession Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Holy Communion

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.**

Communion Distribution

Post Communion Prayer

We give you thanks, gracious God, **that you have once again fed us with food
beyond compare, the body and blood of Christ. Lead us from this place,
nourished and forgiven, into your beloved vineyard to wipe away the tears of**

**all who hunger and thirst, guided by the example of Jesus Christ and led by
the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Ministry Minute

Kristi Rea

Closing Hymn *God Be With Us Til We Meet Again*

ELW #536

Benediction

Sending Music

*If you plan to visit with others after worship,
please wear a mask to protect your neighbor.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Join Wednesday 12pm Bible Study the next 3 weeks for a study on the book of Leviticus. It's all about holy living and navigating the world as a person of faith. This study is for you! Contact Pastor Elizabeth for the Zoom link or find it in this week's ENEWS.
- You can still join the Spiritual Retreat, session 2 is this Wednesday at 7:30pm. Contact Pastor Elizabeth for the information.
- Decorate your car, hand out candy (safely) and plan to attend this year's **Truck Or Treat!** Wednesday, October 28th 6 pm - 7:30 pm. Masks are required for all who are present.
- Turn in your Pledge Card by Sunday, October 25th. Mail it, drop it off at Drive-In, or submit it on our website. www.memorillutheran.org/stewardship