

Thy New Creation

A Hymn Festival



Sunday, November 9, 3:00 pm

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Prelude: Meditation on “Hyfrydol”

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Hymn: LSB 790 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Please Stand

Opening Versicles *from Psalm 95 and Isaiah 42*

- L** Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;
C **let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!**
- L** Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving;
C **let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!**
- L** For the LORD is a great God,
C **and a great King above all gods.**
- L** In His hand are the depths of the earth;
C **the heights of the mountains are His also.**
- L** The sea is His, for He made it,
C **and His hands formed the dry land.**
- L** Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
C **let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!**
- L** Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out,
C **who spread out the earth and what comes from it,**
- L** who gives breath to the people on it
C **and spirit to those who walk in it:**
- L** “I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness;
C **I will take you by the hand and keep you.”**

Prayer

- A** Let us pray.
Almighty God, through Your Word and Spirit You most wonderfully created all things, and through the Word made flesh You brought new life to fallen humanity. Grant that in Your mercy we may be conformed to the image of Him who shares fully in our humanity, even Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C** **Amen.**

Please Be Seated

I. Light

Reading: Genesis 1:1–5, 14–19

L A reading from Genesis, chapter 1.

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. ²The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

³And God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness.

⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

¹⁴And God said, “Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years, ¹⁵and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. ¹⁶And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, ¹⁸to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Commentary

Prayer

A Let us pray.

O God, Your Son shines with the brightness of the true Light. Grant that as we have known the mysteries of that Light on earth we may also come to the fullness of His joys in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Please Stand

Hymn: **LSB 578 Thy Strong Word**

Choir, st. 2 and 4

st. 1 Congregation

st. 2 Choir

st. 3 Congregation

st. 4 Choir

st. 5-6 Congregation

Please Sit

Hymn: *LSB 914 Light of Light, O Sole-Begotten*

Hymn: *LSB 886 The Day Thou Gavest*

st. 1 Congregation

st. 2 Pulpit side

st. 3 Congregation

st. 4 Lectern side

st. 5 Congregation

II. Waters and Skies

Reading: *Genesis 1:6–8, 20–23*

L A reading from Genesis, chapter 1.

And God said, “Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” ⁷And God made the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so. ⁸And God called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

²⁰And God said, “Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens.”

²¹So God created the great sea creatures and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ²²And God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” ²³And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Commentary

Prayer

A Let us pray.

O God, You once delivered Your people Israel from bondage under Pharaoh and led them by a pillar of cloud and fire through the sea to safety. Grant that we may so follow Christ that through the waters of Baptism we may daily die and rise with Him and walk in safety through the wilderness of this life until we see Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Hymn: **LSB 699 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say**

Hymn: **LSB 487 Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain**

st. 1-2 Congregation

st. 3 Women

st. 4 Men

st. 5 Congregation

Hymn: **LSB 603 We Know That Christ Is Raised**

Please Stand

Hymn: **LSB 493 A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing**

sts. 1–3, 6

Please Be Seated

III. You

Reading: *Genesis 1:9–13, 24–31*

L A reading from Genesis, chapter 1.

And God said, “Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. ¹⁰God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good.

¹¹And God said, “Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth.” And it was so. ¹²The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ¹³And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

²⁴And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds—livestock and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds.” And it was so. ²⁵And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the livestock according to their kinds, and everything that creeps on the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

²⁷So God created man in His own image,

in the image of God He created him;
male and female He created them.

²⁸And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth." ²⁹And God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. ³⁰And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. ³¹And God saw everything that He had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Commentary

Prayer

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, You gave Your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon Himself. Grant that we, Your adopted children by grace, may daily be renewed by Your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Hymn: LSB 752 Be Still, My Soul

Choir: Children of the Heavenly Father

arr. Michael Costello

- 1 *Children of the heav'nly Father
Safely in His bosom gather;
Nestling bird nor star in heaven
Such a refuge e'er was given.*
- 2 *God His own doth tend and nourish;
In His holy courts they flourish.
From all evil things He spares them;
In His mighty arms He bears them.*
- 3 *Neither life nor death shall ever
From the Lord His children sever;
Unto them His grace He showeth,
And their sorrows all He knoweth.*

- 4 Though He giveth or He taketh,
God His children ne'er forsaketh;
His the loving purpose solely
To preserve them pure and holy.

Hymn: LSB 750 If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee

st. 1 Congregation

st. 2 Men

st. 3 Women

st. 4 Congregation

st. 5 Pulpit Side

St. 6 Lectern Side

St. 7 Congregation

Please Stand

Hymn: LSB 588 Jesus Loves Me

Please Sit

IV. Rest

Reading: Genesis 2:1–3

- L** A reading from Genesis, chapter 2.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. ²And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. ³So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.

- L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

- C** **Thanks be to God.**

Commentary

Prayer

- A** Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, Your mercy attends us all our days. Be our strength and support amid the wearisome changes of this world, and at life's end grant us Your promised rest and the full joys of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C** **Amen.**

Choir: O Lord, Support Us All the Day Long

Carl Schalk

O Lord, support us all the day long of this troubled life, until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes and the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, Lord, in your mercy, grant us a safe lodging, and a holy rest, and peace at the last; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

Hymn: LSB 883 All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night

st. 1-2 Congregation

st. 3 Choir

st. 4 Choir

st. 5-6 Congregation

Please Sit

Hymn: LSB 880 Now Rest beneath Night's Shadow

st. 1 Congregation

st. 2 Men

st. 3 Women

st. 4-5 Congregation

Please Stand

Luther's Evening Prayer

- ☐ I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

LSB 241

- ☐ Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

- ☐ 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.

Benediction

LSB 242

- P** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ☩ Son, and the Holy Spirit,
bless and preserve you.
- A** **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: *LSB 700 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

st. 1 Women

st. 2 Men

st. 3 Harmony

st. 4 Melody

Silent Prayer and Chimes

Postlude: Hyfrydol

Charles Callahan

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