

Hymns

Creator Spirit Heavenly Dove #578 in ELW.

**Creator Spirit heav'nly dove, descend upon us from above;
with graces manifold restore, your creatures as they were before.**

**To you the comforter we cry; to you the gift of God most high,
True fount of life the fire of love, the soul's anointing from above.**

**In you with graces sevenfold, we God's almighty hand behold;
while you with tongues of fire proclaim, to all the world God's holy name.**

**Your light to ev'ry sense impart, and shed your love in ev'ry heart;
Your own unfailing might supply, to strengthen our infirmity.**

**Keep far from us our cruel foe, and peace from your own hand bestow;
Upheld by you our strength and guide, no evil can our steps betide.**

**Teach us to know the Father, Son; and you of both, to be but one;
That through the ages all along, your praise may be our endless song.**

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Music: J. Klug, Geistliche Lieder, 1543

Blessing and Sending Hymn

You Servants of God #825 ELW

**You servants of God, your Mater proclaim; and publish abroad, his wonderful name;
The name all victorious, of Jesus extol; his kingdom is glorious and rules over all!**

**Ascended on high, almighty to save, yet still he is nigh, his presence we have.
The great congregation his triumph shall sing, ascribing salvation to Jesus, our king!**

**Salvation to God, who sits on the throne! Let all cry aloud and honor the Son.
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.**

**Then let us adore and give him his right, all glory and pow'r and wisdom and might;
All honor and blessing, with angels above, and thanks never ceasing, and infinite love!**

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Music: attr. Johann Michael Haydn, 1737-1806

Reading(s)

Isaiah 45:1-7 Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him—and the gates shall not be closed: ² I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, ³ I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. ⁴ For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me. ⁵ I am the LORD, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, ⁶ so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am the LORD, and there is no other. ⁷ I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the LORD do all these things.

Psalm 96:1-9

**O sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth.
Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.
Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples.
For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be revered above all gods.
For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the LORD made the heavens.
Honor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.
Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts.
Worship the LORD in holy splendor; tremble before him, all the earth.**

I Thessalonians 1:1-10 Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. ² We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of people we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, ⁷so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place where your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. ⁹For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

Matthew 22:15-22 ¹⁵ Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. ¹⁶So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, ‘Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?’ ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, ‘Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin used for the tax.’ And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰Then he said to them, ‘Whose head is this, and whose title?’ ²¹They answered, ‘The emperor’s.’ Then he said to them, ‘Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor’s, and to God the things that are God’s.’ ²²When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

Announcements

- Reminder that each day at 6 PM, pause and pray knowing your brothers and sisters in faith are doing the same!
- Keep up to date on what is going on at Aurora by checking Aurora’s Facebook page, Aurora’s Web Site and your e-mail.
- Drive In worship will continue through October. If inclement weather we still will hold worship. You can remain in your car and tune to your FM radio to 89.1 to hear the service.
- The fall bible study on Mark has begun! If you haven’t signed up, that is OK you can join at any time. Send Pastor Dale an e-mail and he will send you the lesson for the week. Every two weeks he will then set up a Zoom call where we can gather together and discuss the lessons completed.

Here are the women and men of faith the church remembers this coming week.

Luke - Evangelist October 18 Identified as the author of both Luke and Acts, Luke was careful to place the events of Jesus' life in their social and religious contexts. His gospel gives us some of the most beloved parables, as well as the songs of Zechariah, Mary, the angels, and Simeon.

James of Jerusalem - Martyr October 23 One of three early-church leaders named James, this man is identified in the New Testament and by a historian of the time as a brother of Jesus. Scholars are uncertain whether this means a biological brother, a cousin or brother in faith. He was a leader of the church in Jerusalem.