

Video: A Conversation with Daniel and Rachel Sachs

Second Scripture Reading

Genesis 2:18-25

¹⁸ The Lord God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him." ¹⁹ Now the Lord God had formed out of the ground all the wild animals and all the birds in the sky. He brought them to the man to see what he would name them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. ²⁰ So the man gave names to all the livestock, the birds in the sky and all the wild animals. But for Adam no suitable helper was found. ²¹ So the Lord God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man's ribs and then closed up the place with flesh. ²² Then the Lord God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man. ²³ The man said, "This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called 'woman,' for she was taken out of man." ²⁴ That is why a man leaves his father and mother and is united to his wife, and they become one flesh. ²⁵ Adam and his wife were both naked, and they felt no shame.

Sermon

What is Marriage?

The Rev. Peter Larson

WE GO OUT INTO THE WORLD

*Closing Hymn

Hymn 558

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit
into every troubled breast;
let us all in thee inherit,
let us find the promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning,
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.

Come, almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation,
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee:
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Benediction

The Rev. Peter Larson

Postlude

Kyle Mazur

Miniature number 7 by Flor Peeters

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Sunday, June 27, 2021

8:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. Worship Service

WE GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Peter Larson

Prelude

Kyle Mazur

God is Here arr. Kyle Mazur

*Call to Worship (Psalm 71)

Chloe Larson

Leader: In you, Lord, I have taken refuge; let me never be put to shame.

People: In your righteousness, rescue me and deliver me; turn your ear to me and save me.

Leader: Be my rock of refuge, to which I can always go; give the command to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.

People: For you have been my hope, Sovereign Lord, my confidence since my youth.

Leader: From birth I have relied on you; you brought me forth from my mother's womb. I will ever praise you.

People: My mouth is filled with your praise, declaring your splendor all day long.

Leader: As for me, I will always have hope. I will praise you more and more.

People: My mouth will tell of your righteous deeds, of your saving acts all day long.

Leader: Since my youth, God, you have taught me, and to this day I declare your marvelous deeds.

All: Even when I am old and gray, do not forsake me, my God, until I declare your power to the next generation, your mighty acts to all who are to come.

*Opening Hymn

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Hymn 95

All hail the power of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem,
and crown him Lord of all;
bring forth the royal diadem,
and crown him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,
ye ransomed from the fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace,
and crown him Lord of all;
hail him who saves you by his grace,
and crown him Lord of all!

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
the wormwood and the gall,
go, spread your trophies at his feet,
and crown him Lord of all;
go, spread your trophies at his feet,
and crown him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe,
on this terrestrial ball,
to him all majesty ascribe,
and crown him Lord of all;
to him all majesty ascribe,
and crown him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng
we at his feet may fall!

We'll join the everlasting song,
and crown him Lord of all;
we'll join the everlasting song,
and crown him Lord of all!

WE PRAY

Prayer of Confession

The Rev. Stephanie Poblenz

Almighty and loving God, we thank you for the gift of marriage. From the beginning, you have blessed the bond between husband and wife. Your purpose in marriage is that two become one. Your desire is for marriage to last a lifetime, pure and untarnished. Forgive us, Lord, for failing to honor the institution of marriage. Forgive us, for the many times we fail in marriage. Forgive us for the sin and selfishness that drive us apart and weaken the bond of marriage. Forgive us, for our anger and impatience that cause us to lose hope and give up on marriage. By your Spirit, help us to remain faithful in marriage. By your grace, renew our hearts this morning that we might keep our wedding vows. May we find joy and contentment in marriage, we pray in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, AMEN.

Assurance of Pardon

* Response *Doxology*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise him all creatures here below
Praise him above, Ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Recognize Connie Tunison, Playschool Director

WE GIVE BACK TO GOD

Prayer of Dedication

Marge Cunningham 8:30

The Rev. Randy Fannin 10:00

Offertory

Men's Chorus

Father in Heaven

WE HEAR THE WORD

First Scripture Reading

Matthew 19:1-10

Chris Wismer 8:30

Jan Watsell 10:00

¹ When Jesus had finished saying these things, he left Galilee and went into the region of Judea to the other side of the Jordan. ² Large crowds followed him, and he healed them there. ³ Some Pharisees came to him to test him. They asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for any and every reason?" ⁴ "Haven't you read," he replied, "that at the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female,' ⁵ and said, 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh'? ⁶ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate." ⁷ "Why then," they asked, "did Moses command that a man give his wife a certificate of divorce and send her away?" ⁸ Jesus replied, "Moses permitted you to divorce your wives because your hearts were hard. But it was not this way from the beginning. ⁹ I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, and marries another woman commits adultery." ¹⁰ The disciples said to him, "If this is the situation between a husband and wife, it is better not to marry."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Children are Dismissed

8:30 service only

Preschool - 2nd grade dismissed to Children's Church-Room 301 and will return to the Sanctuary during the last hymn.

*Hymn

Hymn 392

When Love is Found

When love is found and hope comes home,
sing and be glad that two are one.
When love explodes and fills the sky,
praise God and share our Maker's joy.

When love has flowered in trust and care,
build both each day, that love may dare
to reach beyond home's warmth and light,
to serve and strive for truth and right.

When love is tried as loved ones change,
hold still to hope though all seems strange,
till ease returns and love grows wise
through listening ears and opened eyes.

When love is torn and trust betrayed,
pray strength to love till torments fade,
till lovers keep no score of wrong
but hear through pain love's Easter song.

Praise God for love, praise God for life,
in age or youth, in husband, wife.
Lift up your hearts: let love be fed
through death and life in broken bread.