

1 Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden'?"

2 The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, but God did say, 'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.'"

4 "You will not certainly die," the serpent said to the woman. 5 "For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

6 When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. 7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

8 Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the Lord God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the Lord God among the trees of the garden. 9 But the Lord God called to the man, "Where are you?"

10 He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid."

11 And he said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?"

12 The man said, "The woman you put here with me—she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it."

13 Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?"

The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

14 So the Lord God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, 'Cursed are you above all livestock and all wild animals! You will crawl on your belly and you will eat dust all the days of your life. 15 And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel.'"

16 To the woman he said, "I will make your pains in childbearing very severe; with painful labor you will give birth to children. Your desire will be for your husband, and he will rule over you."

17 To Adam he said, "Because you listened to your wife and ate fruit from the tree about which I commanded you, 'You must not eat from it,' 'Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat food from it all the days of your life. 18 It will produce thorns and thistles for you, and you will eat the plants of the field. 19 By the sweat of your brow you will eat your food until you return to the ground, since from it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you will return.'"

20 Adam named his wife Eve, because she would become the mother of all the living.

21 The Lord God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife and clothed them. 22 And the Lord God said, "The man has now become like one of us, knowing good and evil. He must not be allowed to reach out his hand and take also from the tree of life and eat, and live forever." 23 So the Lord God banished him from the Garden of Eden to work the ground from which he had been taken. 24 After he drove the man out, he placed on the east side of the Garden of Eden cherubim and a flaming sword flashing back and forth to guard the way to the tree of life.

Ordinary Time

June 21, 2020



† Ordinary time refers to the Sundays between Pentecost and Advent, a season in the liturgical year of growth in the life of the church.

God Gathers Us for Worship

Welcome & Opening Prayer (based on Psalm 108 & 122)

*Song of Praise: "We Will Extol You, God and King" LUYH 562:1,3

- 1. We will extol You, God and King, and bless Your holy name.
Day after day we'll sing Your praise, forever and forever.***

***Chorus: One generation will call to the next:
"Our God is good, and His hand is strong!"
All of the world sings His marvelous acts,
and our voice will join with theirs in the song.***

- 3. We contemplate the splendor of the world Your hand has made.
Far greater still the majesty we see in the Creator! (to chorus)***

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*Call to Worship: Psalm 95:1-7

Who is this God whom we have come to worship?

God is the creator of all.

The creator of birds and trees, wind and sea?

God is the creator of all things seen and unseen.

Then let us worship the God of creation,

the God of all things great and small.

*Songs of Praise: "This Is My Father's World" LUYH 21

- 1. This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears
all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world; I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the wonders wrought.***

***2. This is my Father's world; the birds their carols raise;
the morning light, the lily white, declare their Maker's praise.
This is my Father's world; he shines in all that's fair.
In the rustling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me everywhere.***

***3 This is my Father's world; oh, let me not forget
that, though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet.
This is my Father's world; why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is King, let the heavens ring! God reigns; let the earth be glad.***

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*We Profess Our Faith: Christ the Creator, Christ the Savior
Where was Christ in the beginning?

Christ was with God; Christ is God.

What did Christ do at creation?

Christ made all things.

How does Christ feel about our world now?

Christ loves the world; Christ gives his life to save us.

What will happen when Christ comes in glory?

All the trees will sing for joy, and so will we.

(based on John 1, Colossians 2, Psalm 96)

Prayers for the Church and World

We Are Sent with God's Blessing

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "We Will Feast In the House of Zion"

Chorus: We will feast in the house of Zion.

We will sing with our hearts restored.

He has done great things, we will say together.

We will feast and weep no more.

- 1. We will not be burned by the fire, he is the Lord our God***

***We are not consumed by the flood,
upheld, protected, gathered up. (chorus)***

- 2. In the dark of night, before the dawn, my soul, be not afraid.***

For the promised morning, oh how long?

Oh God of Jacob, be my strength. (chorus)

- 3. Every vow we've broken and betrayed, you are the faithful one.***

***And from the garden to the grave,
bind us together, bring shalom. (chorus)***

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Prayer of Confession

**Creator God, you created us in your image,
and we chose our glory over yours.
You created us to care for your earth,
and we misused it with greedy idolatry.
You created us to treat one another
as suitable helpers and companions,
and we have shamed ourselves and one another.
Triune God, you created out of generous love,
and you recreate out of even more generous love.
Forgive us and make us new creatures in Christ,
in whose name we pray. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon: II Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come:
the old has gone, the new is here!

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Scripture: Genesis 3 (printed on back page of bulletin)

Sermon: "Where Are You?"

Pastor Joel Kok

We Respond in Thanksgiving

*Song of Response: "The First Place"

LUYH 15

**1. Jesus, the perfect picture of the unseen God.
Maker of things we cannot comprehend.**

**Wisdom, the earth displays your strength and beauty.
Sovereign, yes, every throne knows you are God.**

**Chorus: Every inch of this universe belongs to you, O Christ.
For through you and for you it was made.
Your creation endures by the order of your hand.
So you must have in all things the first place.**

**2. Victor, over sin and death you triumphed.
Firstborn, you've shown us life beyond the grave.
Bridegroom, we long for you in expectation.
Jesus, your church rejoices to proclaim. (to chorus)**

*God Greet Us, We Greet One Another

Children's Message

Song: "My God Is So Great"

**My God is so great, so strong and so mighty!
There's nothing my God cannot do! (repeat)**

The mountains are his, the rivers are his, the stars are his handiwork too.

**My God is so great, so strong and so mighty!
There's nothing my God cannot do!**

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We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Call to Confession: Genesis 2:4-9, 15-25

This is the account of the heavens and the earth when they were created, when the Lord God made the earth and the heavens. Now no shrub had yet appeared on the earth and no plant had yet sprung up, for the Lord God had not sent rain on the earth and there was no one to work the ground, but streams came up from the earth and watered the whole surface of the ground. Then the Lord God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being. Now the Lord God had planted a garden in the east, in Eden; and there he put the man he had formed. The Lord God made all kinds of trees grow out of the ground—trees that were pleasing to the eye and good for food. In the middle of the garden were the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. And the Lord God commanded the man, "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die." The Lord God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him." 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. 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. 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. Then the Lord God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man.

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." That is why a man leaves his father and mother and is united to his wife, and they become one flesh. Adam and his wife were both naked, and they felt no shame.