

Isaiah 65:1-2

¹“I was sought by those who did not ask for Me; I was found by those who did not seek Me. I said, ‘Here I am, here I am,’ to a nation that was not called by My name. ² I have stretched out My hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, according to their own thoughts;”

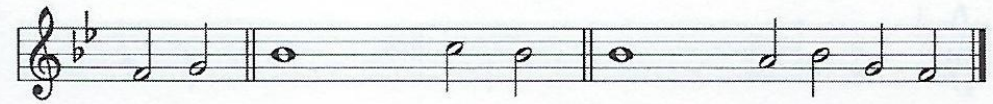
Ephesians 5:15-21

¹⁵ See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, ¹⁶ redeeming the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷ Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸ And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹ speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord, ²⁰ giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹ submitting to one another in the fear of God.

St. Matthew 22:1-14

¹ And Jesus answered and spoke to them again by parables and said: ² “The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who arranged a marriage for his son, ³ and sent out his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding; and they were not willing to come. ⁴ Again, he sent out other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, “See, I

have prepared my dinner; my oxen and fatted cattle are killed, and all things are ready. Come to the wedding.’” ⁵ But they made light of it and went their ways, one to his own farm, another to his business. ⁶ And the rest seized his servants, treated them spitefully, and killed them. ⁷ But when the king heard about it, he was furious. And he sent out his armies, destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city. ⁸ Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy. ⁹ Therefore go into the highways, and as many as you find, invite to the wedding.’ ¹⁰ So those servants went out into the highways and gathered together all whom they found, both bad and good. And the wedding hall was filled with guests. ¹¹ But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw a man there who did not have on a wedding garment. ¹² So he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you come in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. ¹³ Then the king said to the servants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ ¹⁴ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

**Introit.**

Ant. THE LORD || our God is righteous in all His works which He | do- | eth:
for we obey- | ed | not | His | voice.

|| Give glory to Thy Name, O | LORD | - :
and deal with us according to the multitude | of | Thy | mer- | cies.

Psalm. || Great is the LORD, and greatly to be | prais- | ed:
in the city of our God, in the mountain | of | His | holi- | ness.

GLO-RY || be to the Father and to the | Son | - :
and to | the | Ho- | ly | Ghost.

AS IT || was in the beginning, is now, and ever | shall | be:
world with- | out | end. | A- | men. (*Ant. Repeated.*)

Collect.

Grant, we beseech Thee, Merciful Lord, to Thy faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve Thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. *Amen.*

Epistle. Ephesians 5:15–21

Gospel. Matthew 22:1–14

Additional reading: Isaiah 65:1–2

Gradual.

|| The eyes of all wait upon Thee O | LORD | - :
and Thou givest them their meat | in | due | sea- | son.

|| Thou openest Thine | hand | - :
and satisfiest the desire of eve- | ry | liv- | ing | thing.

|| Hallelujah. Hallelujah. O give thanks unto the LORD; call upon His | Name | - :
make known His deeds among the people. | Hal- | le- | lu- | jah.

Communion Psalm: *Ant.* You have charged that we shall diligently keep your commandments: O that my ways were made so direct that I might keep all the judgments of your mouth. (Psalm 119:4-6). **Psalm 119:1-3, 8-9, 26, 59-60, 134, 168.**

20th Sunday after Trinity

58. How Lovely Shines the Morning Star

Philipp Nicolai, 1597

Philipp Nicolai, 1599

1. How love-ly shines the Morning Star! The na-tions
see and hail a - far The light in Ju-dah shin - ing.
Thou Da-vid's Son of Ja-cob's race, My Bride-groom
and my King of Grace, For Thee my heart is pin - ing. Low-ly,

Ho-ly, Great and glor-ious, Thou vic-tor-ious Prince of grac-es,
Fill - ing all the heav'n-ly plac - es. A - men.

2. O highest joy by mortals won,
True Son of God and Mary's Son,
Thou high-born King of ages!
Thou art my heart's most beauteous Flow'r,
And Thy blest Gospel's saving pow'r
My raptured soul engages.
Thou mine, I Thine;
Sing hosanna! Heav'nly manna
Tasting, eating,
Whilst Thy love in songs repeating.

3. Now richly to my waiting heart,
O Thou, my God, deign to impart
The grace of love undying.
In Thy blest Body let me be,
E'en as the branch is in the tree.
Thy life my life supplying.
Sighing, Crying,
For the savor Of Thy favor;
Resting never
Till I rest in Thee forever.

4. A pledge of peace from God I see
When Thy pure eyes are turned to me
To show me Thy good pleasure.
Jesus, Thy Spirit and Thy Word,
Thy Body and Thy Blood, afford
My soul its dearest treasure.
Keep me Kindly
In Thy favor, O my Savior!
Thou wilt cheer me;
Thy Word calls me to draw near Thee.

5. Thou, mighty Father, in Thy Son
Didst love me ere Thou hadst begun
This ancient world's foundation.
Thy Son hath made a friend of me,
And when in spirit Him I see,
I joy in tribulation.
What bliss is this!
He that liveth To me giveth
Life forever;
Nothing me from Him can sever.

6. Lift up the voice and strike the string,
Let all glad sounds of music ring
In God's high praises blended.
Christ will be with me all the way,
Today, tomorrow, ev'ry day.
Till trav'ling days be ended.
Sing out, Ring out
Triumph glorious, O victorious,
Chosen nation;
Praise the God of your salvation.

7. Oh, joy to know that Thou, my Friend,
Art Lord, Beginning without end,
The First and Last, Eternal!
And Thou at length—O glorious grace!—
Wilt take me to that holy place,
The home of joys supernal.
Amen, Amen!
Come and meet me! Quickly greet me!
With deep yearning,
Lord, I look for Thy returning.