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9:00 am to 12:00 noon

Sunday In-person Worship at 10 AM

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Pianist – Marion D.

Worship Leader – Joy J. Song Leader – Ken D.

#### Prelude

Gathering Song SJ #2 Come, walk with us

Welcome

#### Call to Worship

L: Come, beloved of God, the sun warms the earth and our hearts awaken.

C: We come, giving thanks for long days, bright skies, and the beauty of creation.

L: The flowers bloom, rivers sing, and fields stretch wide with promise.

C: We rejoice in the gifts of summer, for in them we glimpse the Creator's glory.

L: God's Spirit stirs in gentle breezes, in ripening fruit, and in our longing for renewal.

C: We open our lives to be refreshed, restored, and made new by divine love.

L: Come with gratitude, come with joy, come with hope.

C: We gather to worship the One who makes all things new—with hearts full of praise, with spirits ready to be renewed.

### Prayer

**Praise Songs** VT #81 All Creatures, Worship God Most High VT #102 Santo, santo, santo (Holy, Holy, Holy)

# **Blessing of the Offering**

Song VT #754 In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified

Announcements, Opportunities, Sharing

Prayer (HWB #731)

**Song** HWB #535 Who now would follow Christ

Scriptures: Psalm 63:1-8; Acts 13:21-23; Luke 14:15-33 Sermon *A Royal Feast* Zach Stefaniuk Response Song SS #56 Unless a grain of wheat Benediction Sending Song VT #849 We, Your People, Sing Your Praises Postlude

**Thursday** 2:45 pm **Women in Mission** coffee time 3:30 pm meeting

Next Sunday at Camp Elim 10 am coffee time 10:30 worship followed by potluck

### **Pray for:**

- our shut-ins and those with ongoing health concerns and their caregivers
- those grieving the loss of loved ones and those struggling with transition of some kind
- those with sudden health issues
- our Leadership Team / Executive
- Swift Current Ministerial: Victory Family Church
- Mennonite Church Sask Praying for each other: Please pray with Langham Mennonite Fellowship as we transition to a regular schedule for the fall, winter and spring seasons. Pray that we may be a caring group for each other and the broader community in which we live. People are joyful, hurting, grieving....pray that we may be shining light to all.
- Ukraine / Russia
- a just peace in the Middle East
- MCC at work around the world in the name of Christ

Once again we are doing **Meals On Wheels for September. Thank you** to Gilbert & Grace, Bart and Brenda. Your willingness is much appreciated.

MCC School Kits Challenge for August. \$412 was collected. Thank you very much for contributing to this project.

**Sympathies** are extended to Elaine Dyck on the passing of her sister-in-law Verna Dyck of Wymark.

## The Wedding Banquet

**Medical Mission Sisters** 

I cannot come.

I cannot come to the banquet, don't trouble me now. I have married a wife. I have bought me a cow. I have fields and commitments that cost a pretty sum. Pray hold me excused, I cannot come.

- 1. A certain man held a feast on his fine estate in town. He laid a festive table and wore a wedding gown. He sent invitations to his neighbors far and wide But when the meal was ready, each of them replied:
- The master rose up in anger, called his servants by name, Said: "Go into the town, fetch the blind and the lame, Fetch the peasant and the pauper for this this I have willed, My banquet must be crowded, and my table must be filled."
- When all the poor had assembled, there was still room to spare,
  So the master demanded: "Go search ev'rywhere,
  To the highways and the byways and force them to come in.
  My table must be filled before the banquet can begin."
- 4. Now God has written a lesson for the rest of mankind; If we're slow in responding, He may leave us behind. He's preparing a banquet for that great and glorious day. When the Lord and Master calls us, be certain not to say: