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As We Gather

"Thou spreadst a table in my sight" (*LSB* 709:5). With poetic words, English hymn writer Henry W. Baker puts into verse one of the most beloved images of Psalm 23. The table that the Lord sets for His people is one of generosity and grace. The first time a table is mentioned in the Bible is in conjunction with the great reunion that the ruler Joseph in Egypt has with his estranged brothers who had come from their home in Canaan to ask for help in a time of famine. The Book of Genesis records that Joseph not only welcomed his brothers and saw to it that they were fed but also directed that "portions were taken to them from Joseph's table, . . . And they drank and were merry with him" (Genesis 43:34). The Lord's Table is a place for rejoicing—especially since, as we gather there, we are given a foretaste of the feast to come in our Lord's eternal kingdom.

> Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest, and let these gifts to us be blest. Amen, amen, amen. *LSB 776*

Opening Hymn: LSB #595 "O Blessed Spring"

Confession and Absolution

Service of the Word

Psalm 119 *Psalm 119:65–72; antiphon: v. 65*

Kyrie *LSB 186*

Gloria in Excelsis *LSB 187*

Salutation and Collect of the Day

Old Testament Reading *Hosea 5:15—6:6*

Epistle Reading *Romans 4:13–25*

Alleluia *LSB 190*

Holy Gospel *Matthew 9:9–13*

Apostles' Creed

Hymn of the Day: LSB #699 "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

Sermon: Rev. Lowell Dennis

Offertory *LSB 192*

Offering

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Benediction *LSB 202*

Closing Hymn: LSB #917 "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise"

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