Worship Supplement - October 12, 2025

Gathering Song - God of the Sparrow - ELW 740 (verses 1, 2, 5, 6)

1 God of the sparrow 5 God of the neighbor

God of the whale God of the foe

God of the swirling stars God of the pruning hook

How does the creature say Awe
How does the creature say Praise
How does the creature say Peace

2 God of the earthquake 6 God of the ages
God of the storm God near at hand

God of the trumpet blast God of the loving heart

How does the creature cry Woe

How do your children say Joy

How do your children say Home

Prayer of the Day -

All: Almighty and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Scripture Reading - Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7

Ten years before the destruction of Jerusalem, many leaders of Judah were taken to Babylon. Jeremiah sends a letter to those exiles encouraging them, as they live in that strange place, to raise families and even to pray for the welfare of Babylon. God will restore them in due time.

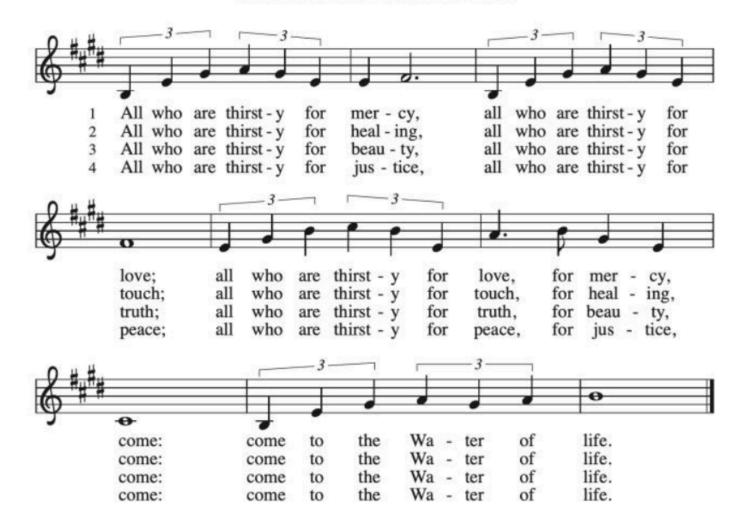
These are the words of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the remaining elders among the exiles and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon.

Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

Sermon - DisciplesMake the Best of "Babylon" - Rev. Pamela Meilands

*Sermon Song - Come to the Water of Life

Come to the Water of Life



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*Sending Song - I'm So Glad - ELW 860

- 1 I'm so glad Jesus lifted me.
 I'm so glad Jesus lifted me.
 I'm so glad Jesus lifted me,
 singin' Glory, Hallelujah, Jesus lifted me!
- 2 When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me. When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me. When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me, singin' Glory, Hallelujah, Jesus lifted me!
- 3 Sent to serve the people, Jesus lifted me. Sent to serve the people, Jesus lifted me. Sent to serve the people, Jesus lifted me, singin' Glory Hallelujah, Jesus lifted me!