

Heritage of Hymns

Trinity Chapel, Bethany Lutheran College, 6:00 p.m.

June 16, 2025

Remembering the Marriage of Martin Luther and Katherine von Bora

June 13, 1525

Presented by Dennis Marzolf and Rebecca DeGarmeaux

I. The Mystery of Christian Marriage

Christian Marriage is a living symbol of the Bridegroom's love for His Bride.

486:1 The Church's One Foundation

328:2 Hasten As A Bride To Meet Him

167:4,5 A Pledge of Peace From God I See

II. Johannes Bugenhagen. Outline and Rules for Weddings, Parties, and Music in Luebeck. 1529

III. For Marie from Johan.

A Wedding Gift in Roskilde: "In Jesus' Name," 1639 **ELH 4**

IV. A Wedding at the Black Cloister, June 13

V. A Kingo Hymn, 1634-1703: How Blessed Was That Wedded Pair, And a Collect by Veit Dietrich, 1506-1549.

1. How blessed was that wedded pair
In Cana—beyond measure,
Since Jesus Christ Himself was there
To bring them joy and pleasure!
Their wedding day and joyous feast
Was made more glorious by this Guest,
Whose gift is gracious treasure.

2. But as that day continued on
From morning's golden sunrise,
Their sorrow came and lingered on,
And filled their eyes with sadness;
The sky no longer looks so clear,
When cloud with storm and rain draw near
And darken even noontime.

3. Thus into sorrow they were hurled
Amid their celebration,
Yet Jesus, Sunshine of the world,
Was there with restoration;
He helped with His first wondrous sign,
Changed water into precious wine,
And eased their lamentation.

4. The good wine very soon was gone;
Plain water was remaining,
Like joys that do not linger on
But in the end are waning;
But when we pray to God's own Son
With faith in all that He has done,
He quiets our complaining.

5. Lord Jesus, when You are within,
Great hosts of people gather
Around the door who would come in,
And bring their cares together
Until the vessels there are full,
Then shall Your comfort overflow
With helping hand forever.

6. The time is coming when You see
Our sorrows overflowing,
When all things filled with ill shall be,
Help us, Your mercy showing,
That You shall lift our cross of woe
And all our heartfelt sorrows know,
Shall pour the wine of gladness.

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Hymn

7. O Jesus, You alone can bind
Two hearts as one together
In godly marriage, loving, kind;
O let Your help now gather
All those who put their trust in You,
And show their hopes all to be true;
Let joy be theirs forever.

8. Grant them good counsel as they need,
A thousand blessings sending;
Confirm them in their ev'ry deed,
Your goodness to them lending.
O bless them in their soul and life,
And when they leave this world of strife,
Grant them Your love unending.

Kingo: Hvor saligt var den ægtepar

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Tune: Ich Steh An Deiner Krippen Hier (ELH 129)

Synod has 7 stanzas.