

I've been thinking a lot about questions.
Like which questions are the most important
And what makes them important.
It is awfully easy to focus on questions about me
As central and, clearly, most important.
In my life, I matter.
It's as simple as that.
Yet, I am bothered by such simplicity,
I did not get here alone.
There is a whole constellation of family and friends
Without whom I would not be here,
Much less be me.
There is a whole nation in which I live,
Brought clearly into focus in this election season;
There is a world full of interesting and important questions,
One of the primary reasons there is a university to attend.

So, what are the important questions?
Certainly ones about identity and integrity,
Ones about interests and friends and activities,
Are important.
They have to be answered on a daily basis
As we make our way through the U.
However, there are larger contexts
In which questions linger that call for our attention.
The most important question is not: are you saved?
God has already taken care of that one,
That is what Jesus completes.
For people wrestling with faith,
For people of faith,
God has established a different context:
Nothing less that the world in its entirety.
Jesus invites us to live for the sake of the world.
It is where and to what God's love is directed!
So, we get to live into this world and all the questions it raises,
Not because we have the answers,
Rather because we embrace the questions of living for the sake of
the world

In the midst of the community that gathers in Jesus' name!
Get out of yourself, join in loving God and the world:

Grace University Lutheran Church at 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, and
6:30 PM, or

University Lutheran Church of Hope at 8:30 AM and 10:30
AM, or

Trinity Lutheran Congregation (Augsburg College Chapel) at
11 AM.

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