



August 26, 2018

8:30am and 10am



**This Week's Big Idea:
God is Too Great to Keep to Ourselves**

Welcome to Zumbro Lutheran Church!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 2018

Our current sermon series is

“Songs for the Summer”

Life in the Psalms

The book of Psalms was the hymnbook of ancient Israel and the early church. When they wanted to sing and pray, this was their resource. This summer we will take a look at a few of those ancient hymns, and examine their message in light of the changing world in which we live.

Today is the third and final Summer Hymn Sing this year. The hymns sung today have been requested by worshippers. Their names and reflections are included in the bulletin.

We will not use the Processional Cross during the summer months, but we will conclude our worship at the rear door with our mission statement.

Young children are most welcome with us at worship. If needed, the nursery is available and staffed during all services. Please ask an usher for directions.

Please silence your cell phones and pagers.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

FIVE LITURGICAL MEDITATIONS

BOB MOORE

II. BALLADE, I. AIR

MICHAEL BOSTWICK, CLARINET; KRISTY GIERE, PIANO

As you prepare your heart for worship during the prelude, you are invited to pray:

Loving God, open my eyes to see your love and mercy for me
and for all people as I worship you. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

please stand as you are able

LITANY FOR GRATITUDE

L: To you, O God, we give thanks.

C: We give thanks for the morning, when joy comes to us.

L: We give thanks for the evening, when we meditate on your love.

**C: We give thanks for the in-between, the working hours, the accomplishing hours;
when we must practice gratitude amidst distraction and busyness.**

L: We give thanks for the long dark of night, when our souls and bodies assimilate and regenerate.

C: We give thanks for the people we love effortlessly, but also for the people who chafe and challenge us.

L: We give thanks for our enemies, who teach us to bless and forgive.

C: We give thanks for our families, who teach us grace and forbearance. We give thanks for those whose lives we touch only momentarily - may we be a lasting blessing.

L: We give thanks for the boisterous, jubilant seasons.

C: We give thanks for the subtle, quiet seasons. We give thanks for the seasons of difficulty and pain. May we emerge from each bearing the image of Christ Jesus.

L: We give thanks both when we are certain, and when uncertainty plagues us; both in the black and white, and in the gray.

C: We give thanks to you, acknowledging that every drop and morsel that sustains us comes from your hand; that our place in the universe exists because you created it; and that your purposes exceed the bounds of our imagining.

HYMN 556

MORNING HAS BROKEN

Rosie Monson requests this hymn because, "The Lord gave me a second chance for life after the doctors had little hope!"

you may be seated

GREETING

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE

JOYFUL, JOYFUL WE ADORE THEE

Ruth Johnson and Phil Quanbeck requests this because, "The chorus from Beethoven's 9th is a moving setting for a hymn of praise. It reminds us of the German context for the Reformation. This hymn also speaks across cultures."



- 1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
- 2 All thy works with joy sur - round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,
- 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - 'ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.
teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: We praise you, O God,

C: for the power of your name, the goodness of your love, the compassion you have for all people. Open our minds to the wonder of your love, and inspire us to tell others of your mighty acts, so that all may bless your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WORD

please stand as you are able

SCRIPTURE SONG

WHEN PEACE LIKE A RIVER

Laurel Otteson requests this because, "This hymn is one of my favorites. It is so peaceful to me."

When peace like a river attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll,
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
it is well, it is well with my soul.

Refrain

It is well (it is well)
with my soul, (with my soul,)
it is well, it is well with my soul.

¹I will exalt you, my God and King,
and praise your name forever and ever.

²I will praise you every day;
yes, I will praise you forever.

³Great is the LORD! He is most worthy of praise!
No one can measure his greatness.

⁴Let each generation tell its children of your mighty acts;
let them proclaim your power.

⁵I will meditate on your majestic, glorious splendor
and your wonderful miracles.

⁶Your awe-inspiring deeds will be on every tongue;
I will proclaim your greatness.

⁷Everyone will share the story of your wonderful goodness;
they will sing with joy about your righteousness.

⁸The LORD is merciful and compassionate,
slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love.

⁹The LORD is good to everyone.
He showers compassion on all his creation.

¹⁰All of your works will thank you, LORD,
and your faithful followers will praise you.

¹¹They will speak of the glory of your kingdom;
they will give examples of your power.

¹²They will tell about your mighty deeds
and about the majesty and glory of your reign.

¹³For your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom.
You rule throughout all generations.

The LORD always keeps his promises;
he is gracious in all he does.

¹⁴The LORD helps the fallen
and lifts those bent beneath their loads.

¹⁵The eyes of all look to you in hope;
you give them their food as they need it.

¹⁶When you open your hand,
you satisfy the hunger and thirst of every living thing.

¹⁷The LORD is righteous in everything he does;
he is filled with kindness.

¹⁸The LORD is close to all who call on him,
yes, to all who call on him in truth.

¹⁹He grants the desires of those who fear him;
he hears their cries for help and rescues them.

²⁰The LORD protects all those who love him,
but he destroys the wicked.

²¹I will praise the LORD,
and may everyone on earth bless his holy name
forever and ever.

L: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

C: Thanks be to God.

you may be seated

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

JANETTE REEVES

HYMN 787

ON EAGLE'S WINGS

songleader-stanzas; all-refrain

Ruth Smith requests this because, "This hymn is a favorite and is comforting."

Andrea Nei requests this because, "My mom and I used to love to sing this song together when I was growing up."

SERMON

GOD IS TOO GREAT TO KEEP TO OURSELVES PASTOR JASON BRYAN-WEGNER

please stand as you are able

HYMN 773

PRECIOUS LORD, TAKE MY HAND

Vicki Gullickson requests this because, "When my final days are here, that song will mean a great deal."

John Lideen requests this hymn.

Al Huseby requests this hymn because, "Trust in my faith. It helped songwriter, Thomas Dorsey, through difficult times."

APOSTLES' CREED

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

you may be seated

THANKSGIVING

During the offering, please pass the Connection Pad in the pew.

OFFERING

Your giving makes a difference. Zumbro's Boy, Girl, and Cub Scouts learn leadership, citizenship, responsibility, and all sorts of handy life skills. Each week Zumbro provides a safe, welcome place for our Packs and Troops to meet, and your gifts help pay for training and registration fees for the adult leaders who volunteer their time. Thank you.

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LIGHT DAWNS ON A WEARY WORLD
MICHAEL BOSTWICK, CLARINET; KRISTY GIERE, PIANO

ARR. ANNE KRENTZ ORGAN

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Growing in faith and discipleship, we give thanks for God's merciful compassion as we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

After each petition the congregation responds:

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Gracious God, we lift to you these prayers and the prayers of our hearts, trusting in your everlasting love and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

L: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

SENDING

please stand as you are able

BENEDICTION

L: May God, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine, grant you the gifts of faith and hope. Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

HYMN 425

BEHOLD THE HOST ARRAYED IN WHITE

stanzas 1 and 3

Maxine Sims requests this hymn because, "I like this hymn—especially the melody."

SENDING

L: People of Zumbro, what is our mission?

C: Our journey of faith leads us to build bridges of understanding and peace, to reach out with compassion, and to share the hope of Jesus. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

HYMN OF JOY

ARR. ALBERT L. TRAVIS

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

PROCLAIMER-Jason Bryan-Wegner; **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**-Shelley Cunningham, Lisa Kipp**ORGANIST**-Kristy Giere; **INSTRUMENTALIST**-Michael Bostwick, clarinet; **SONGLEADER**-Janette Reeves; **LECTORS**-Linda Tostrud (8:30am); Kathryn Horntvedt (10am); **GREETERS**-Sonja Galstad, Amy Holtan, Carol Noonan (8:30am); Dolores Badger, Sandy Simonson (10am); **USHERS**-Janet and Chuck Carstensen, Vicki Erickson, Nancy and Al Johnsrud, Luanne Wussow (8:30am); Gary Austin, Kyle Boehm, Janet Swanson, Earlene and Harlan Wickre (10am)

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ON EAGLE'S WINGS

Michael Joncas

Verse 1



1. You who dwell in the shel-ter of the Lord, who a-bide in his



1. shad-ow for life, say to the Lord: "My ref-uge, my rock in whom I trust!"

to Refrain

Refrain



And he will raise you up on ea-gle's wings, bear you on the



breath of dawn, make you to shine like the



sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.

to Verses (last time to Coda) ♪

♪ Coda



And hold you, hold you in the palm of his hand.

Verse 2



2. The snare of the fowl-er will nev-er cap-ture you, and fam-ine will bring



2. you no fear: un-der his wings your ref-uge, his faith-ful-ness your shield.

to Refrain

Verse 3



3. You need not fear the ter-ror of the night, nor the ar-row that flies by



3. day; though thou-sands fall a-bout you, near you it shall not come.

to Refrain

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ON EAGLE'S WINGS (CONT 2)

Verse 4

4. For to his an-gels he's giv-en a com-mand to
 4. guard you in all of your ways; up - on their hands they will
 4. bear you up, lest you dash your foot a-gainst a stone. to Refrain

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

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1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand,
 2 When my way grows . . drear, pre - cious Lord, lin - ger near,
 3 When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws . . near,

I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
 when my life is . . . al - most . . gone,
 and the day is . . . past and . . . gone,

Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.
 hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall.
 at the riv - er I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand.

Take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.

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PRECIOUS LORD
 Irregular

Behold the Host Arrayed in White



1 Be - hold the host ar - rayed in white like thou - sand snow - clad
 2 On earth their work was not thought wise, but see them now in
 3 O bless - ed saints, now take your rest; a thou - sand times shall



moun - tains bright, that stands with palms and sings its psalms be -
 heav - en's eyes; be - fore God's throne of pre - cious stone they
 you be blest for keep - ing faith firm un - to death and



fore the throne of light! These are the saints who
 shout their vic - t'ry cries. On earth they wept through
 scorn - ing world - ly trust. For now you live at



kept God's word; they are the hon - ored of the Lord. He
 bit - ter years; now God has wiped a - way their tears, trans -
 home with God and har - vest seeds once cast a - broad in



is their prince who drowned their sins, so they were cleansed, re -
 formed their strife to heav'n - ly life, and freed them from their
 tears and sighs. See with new eyes the pat - tern in the



stored. They now serve God both day and night; they
 fears. For now they have the best at last; they
 seed. The myr - iad an - gels raise their song. O



sing their songs in end - less light. Their an - thems ring when
 keep their sweet e - ter - nal feast. At God's right hand our
 saints, sing with that hap - py throng; lift up one voice; let



they all sing with an - gels shin - ing bright.
 Lord com - mands; he is both host and guest.
 heav'n re - joice in our re - deem - er's song!

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Zumbro Lutheran Church warmly welcomes all people into this Christian community of sinners and saints. This welcome is at the heart of Christ's ministry of reconciliation. Every person is a unique and valuable creation of God. Because God loves us, we are called to love one another. We invite people of every age, economic condition, ethnic and racial background, physical and mental ability, marital status, sexual orientation, and gender identity into our fellowship. In striving to create a place for all, we affirm what the Apostle Paul writes in Galatians 3:28: "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus."

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