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What Does It Mean to be a Family These Days?

Welcome to Zumbro Lutheran Church!

SUNDAY, MAY 10, 2020

Our Easter sermon series is entitled, "We're All in this Together." We have things to learn from the early followers of Jesus who, after the tragedy of Good Friday, were wondering where to go next.

Was the movement over? Should they just pack up and head home? Was there any reason to be hopeful? Slowly, the news of the resurrection and the empty tomb began to spread. But that didn't mean it was easy to believe...and act on.

Worship will continue to be streamed online. We are working on ways that the radio broadcast can continue while we relocate to the Fireside Room.

As you prepare your heart for worship during the prelude, you are invited to pray:
Signs of spring bring visible reminders of your promise of new life, O God. Thank you for songbirds,
green buds, and resurrection hope. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

L: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are raised with him to new life.
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning you created us in your image
and planted us in a well-watered garden.
In the desert you promised pools of water for the parched,
and you gave us water from the rock.
When we did not know the way,
you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters.
At the cross, you watered us from Jesus' wounded side,
and on this day, you shower us again with the water of life.

We praise you for your salvation through water,
for the water in this font,
and for all water everywhere.
Bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love.
Satisfy the thirsty, and give us the life only you can give.

To you be given honor and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Worshippers are invited to dip a finger in water, make a sign of the cross on their forehead, and remember their baptism.

HYMN

BORNING CRY

"I was there to hear your borning cry,
I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized
to see your life unfold.
I was there when you were but a child,
with a faith to suit you well;
in a blaze of light you wandered off
to find where demons dwell."

"When you heard the wonder of the Word
I was there to cheer you on;
you were raised to praise the living Lord,
to whom you now belong.
If you find someone to share your time
and you join your hearts as one,
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme
from dusk till rising sun."

"In the middle ages of your life,
not too old, no longer young,
I'll be there to guide you through the night,
complete what I've begun.
When the evening gently closes in
and you shut your weary eyes,
I'll be there as I have always been,
with just one more surprise."

"I was there to hear your borning cry,
I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized
to see your life unfold."

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

CHRIST HAS ARISEN, ALLELUIA



1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia.
 2 For three long days the grave did its worst
 3 The an - gel said to them, "Do not fear.



Re - joice and praise him, al - le - lu - ia.
 un - til its strength by, God was dis - persed.
 You look for Je - sus who is not here.



For our re - deem - er burst from the tomb,
 He who gives life did death un - der - go.
 See for your - selves the tomb is all bare.



e - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.
 and in its con - quest his might did show.
 On - ly the grave - clothes are ly - ing there."

Refrain



Let us sing praise to him with end - less joy.



Death's fear - ful sting he has come to de - stroy.



Our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!



Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Lord Jesus,

C: the things we need most in our relationships are the very gifts you share with us so freely: forgiveness, patience, acceptance, unconditional love. When we need to apologize, help us do so humbly. When others need a word of encouragement, may we build them up. Give us gracious and peace-filled hearts so we can bless our families, our neighbors, and your world. In your name we pray. Amen.

please stand for the reading

EASTER ACCLAMATION

HALLE, HALLE, HALLELUJAH

TRADITIONAL CARIBBEAN

sing before and after the songleader sings the verse

BIBLE READING

COLOSSIANS 3:12-21 NRSV

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -
 - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -
 lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

¹² As God’s chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. ¹³ Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴ Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵ And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. ¹⁷ And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

¹⁸ Wives, be subject to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. ¹⁹ Husbands, love your wives and never treat them harshly.

²⁰ Children, obey your parents in everything, for this is your acceptable duty in the Lord. ²¹ Fathers, do not provoke your children, or they may lose heart.

L: Holy wisdom, holy word.

C: Thanks be to God.

EASTER ACCLAMATION

HALLE, HALLE, HALLELUJAH

TRADITIONAL CARIBBEAN

sing twice

**Halle, halle, hallelujah.
 Halle, halle, hallelujah.
 Halle, halle, hallelujah
 Hallelujah. Hallelujah.**

you may be seated

STORY TIME

JEN GRUENDLER

SERMON

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A FAMILY THESE DAYS?

PASTOR SHELLEY CUNNINGHAM

"I will come to you in the silence,
I will lift you from all your fear.
You will hear my voice,
I claim you as my choice.
Be still and know I am here."

"I am hope for all who are hopeless,
I am eyes for all who long to see.
In the shadows of the night,
I will be your light.
Come and rest in me."

Refrain "Do not be afraid, I am with you.
I have called you each by name.
Come and follow me,
I will bring you home;
I love you and you are mine."

"I am strength for all the despairing,
healing for the ones who dwell in shame.
All the blind will see,
the lame will all run free,
and all will know my name." *Refrain*

"I am the Word that leads all to freedom,
I am the peace the world cannot give.
I will call your name,
embracing all your pain.
Stand up, now walk and live!" *Refrain*

EXPRESSIONS OF GRATITUDE FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH

ARR. JOHN RUTTER

JANETTE REEVES AND BRENDA WICHMANN

For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies,
For the love which from our birth over and around us lies:
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.

For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light:
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild:
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.

For each perfect gift of thine to our race so freely given,
Graces human and divine, flowers of earth and buds of heav'n.
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Uplifted by the promised hope of healing and resurrection, we join the people of God in all times and places in praying for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

After each petition the congregation responds:

L: Lord, in your mercy.

C: Hear our prayer.

L: With bold confidence in your love, almighty God, we place all for whom we pray into your eternal care; through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

L: Lord, remember us when you come into your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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.

BLESSING

L: May the One who brought forth Jesus from the dead raise you to new life, fill you with hope, and turn your mourning into dancing. Almighty God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

HYMN

LET ALL THINGS NOW LIVING

Let all things now living
a song of thanksgiving
to God the creator triumphantly raise,
who fashioned and made us,
protected and stayed us,
who still guides us on to the end of our days.
God's banners are o'er us,
God's light goes before us,
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night,
till shadows have vanished
and darkness is banished,
as forward we travel from light into light.

God rules all the forces:
the stars in their courses
and sun in its orbit obediently shine;
the hills and the mountains,
the rivers and fountains,
the deeps of the ocean proclaim God divine.
We too should be voicing
our love and rejoicing;
with glad adoration a song let us raise
till all things now living
unite in thanksgiving:
"To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!"

SENDING

**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.**

SENDING MUSIC

WE KNOW THAT CHRIST IS RAISED

ARR. ANNE KRENTZ ORGAN

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We have started remodeling in our sanctuary. We're actively working on providing a radio broadcast each week, but at this point, we're not sure if we can. Part of the problem is that the radio station we use is not staffed on Sunday morning. If the radio doesn't work this week, we'll keep working on it.

Congratulations to:

Lorna Bluhm celebrating her 90th birthday on May 2

Prayers for Healing:

Delphine Burt, Jessica Johnsrud, Tom Moon

Sympathy to:

Kari (Jason) Jadin on the death of her grandmother, Arlene Lorch.

Sonia (Bob) Watson on the death of her mother, Betsy Carlson.

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