



Welcome to Zumbro Lutheran Church!

Our sermon series “Searching for Hope During Turbulent Times” continues through mid-October.

As followers of Jesus, we’re never promised happiness or a life without difficulty. Yet, we are promised that wherever the Spirit of God is at work, joy will show up and surprise us. What can we learn from the Prophet Miriam about the discipline of joy and how we might be called to claim it and anticipate that God will provide it in the most challenging moments and seasons of life?

GATHERING MUSIC

ALL CREATURES, WORSHIP GOD MOST HIGH!
RALPH SCHORNACK, PIANO

ARR. RALPH SCHORNACK

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

C: Amen.

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

L: Faithful God,

C: have mercy on us.

We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.

We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways.

We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves.

We place our own needs before those of our neighbors.

We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves.

Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

L: God hears the cries of all who call out in need, and through his death and resurrection, Christ has made us his own. Hear the truth that God proclaims:

Your sins are forgiven in the name of † Jesus Christ.

Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness

to do God’s work in the world.

C: Amen.

HYMN

ALL CREATURES, WORSHIP GOD MOST HIGH!

All creatures, worship God most high!

Sound ev’ry voice in earth and sky: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Sing, brother sun, in splendor bright;

sing, sister moon and stars of night:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Sing, brother wind; with clouds and rain

you grow the gifts of fruit and grain: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Dear sister water, useful, clear,

make music for your Lord to hear:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Sing, brother fire, so mirthful, strong,

drive far the shadows, join the throng: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Dear mother earth, so rich in care,

praise God in colors bright and rare:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**All who for love of God forgive,
all who in pain and sorrow grieve: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Christ bears your burdens and your fears;
still make your song amid the tears:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: God of Deliverance,

C: release us from all that prevents us from claiming joy. May your Spirit change our mourning to dancing, weeping to laughter, despair to hope, and doubt to resistance. Amen.

BIBLE READING

EXODUS 15:19-25 NRSV

¹⁹ When the horses of Pharaoh with his chariots and his chariot drivers went into the sea, the Lord brought back the waters of the sea upon them; but the Israelites walked through the sea on dry ground.

²⁰ Then the prophet Miriam, Aaron's sister, took a tambourine in her hand; and all the women went out after her with tambourines and with dancing. ²¹ And Miriam sang to them:

"Sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously; horse and rider he has thrown into the sea."

²² Then Moses ordered Israel to set out from the Red Sea, and they went into the wilderness of Shur. They went three days in the wilderness and found no water. ²³ When they came to Marah, they could not drink the water of Marah because it was bitter. That is why it was called Marah. ²⁴ And the people complained against Moses, saying, "What shall we drink?" ²⁵ He cried out to the LORD; and the Lord showed him a piece of wood; he threw it into the water, and the water became sweet.

There the LORD made for them a statute and an ordinance and there he put them to the test.

L: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word

C: Thanks be to God.

STORYTIME (8:30AM)

JANETTE REEVES

SERMON

JOY IS A DISCIPLINE

JEN GRUENDLER

HYMN

MY LIFE FLOWS ON IN ENDLESS SONG

**My life flows on in endless song;
above earth's lamentation,
I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn
that hails a new creation.**

Refrain **No storm can shake my inmost calm
while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth,
how can I keep from singing?**

**Through all the tumult and the strife,
I hear that music ringing.
It finds an echo in my soul.
How can I keep from singing?** *Refrain*

**What though my joys and comforts die?
The Lord my Savior liveth.
What though the darkness gather round?
Songs in the night he giveth.** *Refrain*

**The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart,
a fountain ever springing!
All things are mine since I am his!
How can I keep from singing?** *Refrain*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Drawn together in the compassion of God, we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

After each petition the congregation responds:

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

L: All these things and whatever else you see that we need, we entrust them to your mercy; through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

BAPTISM VIDEO (8:30AM)

JAMESON JOSEPH AYRES
CHILD OF BRONWYN AND BRIAN AYRES
SPONSORS: SHERRY AND JOHN MHOR

BAPTISM (10AM)

KELLAN RICHARD PETERSON
CHILD OF EMILY AND JOSEPH PETERSON
SPONSORS: HEATHER AND NICK CHRISTENSON, KARI AND KEITH ALLEN

SHARING OF PEACE

Those with smart phones are encouraged to text a message of peace to someone in your life.

EXPRESSIONS OF GRATITUDE

STAND IN THE CONGREGATION

BILL BATSTONE

JENNY KRUSE, SOLOIST

I will stand in the congregation
And I will exalt You
I will stand in the congregation
And I will exalt You
Let the children of Your salvation
Lift their praises too
Hallelujah

I will stand in the congregation
And I will praise Your name
I will stand in the congregation
And I will praise Your name
With Your people in every nation
I will shout this praise
Hallelujah

We will join as a congregation
And we will exalt You
We will join as a congregation
And we will exalt You
We will sing as all creation
Lifts the song anew
Hallelujah

Hallelujah
Let the children of Your salvation
Lift their praises too
Hallelujah

"Stand in the Congregation"

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

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

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever Amen.

INVITATION TO SHARE THE MEAL

NOW WE JOIN IN CELEBRATION

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BLESSING

L: Sheltering God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life.

C: Amen.

HYMN

JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE THEE

**Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee, praising thee, their sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the gloom of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.**

**All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heav'n reflect thy rays,
stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird, and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in thee.**

**Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,
wellspring of the joy of living, ocean-depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine!**

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.

SENDING MUSIC (8:30AM)

A JOYOUS SONG

J. WAYNE KERR

PRE-RECORDED BY ROCHESTER AREA HANDBELLS
PAUL KINGSBURY, DIRECTOR

(10AM)

JOYFUL, JOYFUL WE ADORE THEE
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PRAYERS FOR HEALING:

Curt Johnson Michael Pittenger Merlin Ricklefs Barb Turner Ben Weichselbaum

SYMPATHY TO:

Delone Schuster on the death of her husband, Dan. His memorial service was held at the Zumbro Lutheran Columbarium on October 3.

Lester (Dianna) Horntvedt on the death of his sister, Muriel Cartwright.

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WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

PROCLAIMER-Jen Gruendler; **WORSHIP ASSISTANT**-Pastor Vern Christopherson; **LECTOR**-Kathy Morton; **STORYTIME**-Janette Reeves; **PIANIST**-Ralph Schornack; **HANDBELLS** (8:30am)- Rochester Area Handbells, Paul Kingsbury; Zumbro members include Paul Bye, Kristy Giere, Pam Hammond, and Andy Larson; **SONGLEADER and SOLOIST**-Jenny Kruse

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