

 **ZUMBRO**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH  
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
May 16, 2021  
8:30am and 10:30am



**Living by the Upside Down Values of Jesus**

# Welcome to Zumbro Lutheran Church!

SUNDAY, MAY 16, 2021

Ever since Jesus began his public ministry in the synagogue in Capernaum (Luke 4), he has turned traditional values upside down. There is good news to the poor, sight to the blind, freedom for those who are oppressed. As we see snapshots of Jesus' ministry put into practice in the early church, Jesus' followers are going to places they never expected to go, and they doing things beyond what they ever could have imagine.

PRELUDE

YOU SATISFY THE HUNGRY HEART  
PASTORALE

ARR. DAVID CHERWIEN  
DON MICHAEL DICIE

RUTH MONSON, FLUTE; AMY ADAMSON, CELLO; KRISTY GIERE, ORGAN

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

L: Refreshed by the resurrection life we share in Christ, let us give thanks for the gift of Baptism. We thank you, risen Christ, for these waters where you make us new, leading us from death to life, from tears to joy. We bless you, risen Christ, that your Spirit comes to us in the grace-filled waters of rebirth, like rains to our thirsting earth, like streams that revive our souls, like cups of cool water shared with strangers. Breathe your peace on your church when we hide in fear. Clothe us with your mercy and forgiveness. Send us companions on our journey as we share your life. Make us one, risen Christ. Cleanse our hearts. Shower us with life. To you be given all praise, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

*please stand and face the cross as it enters the sanctuary*

**That Easter day with joy was bright;  
the sun shone out with fairer light  
when, to their longing eyes restored,  
th'apostles saw their risen Lord!**

**O Jesus, king of gentleness,  
with constant love our hearts possess;  
to you our lips will ever raise  
the tribute of our grateful praise.**

**O Christ, you are the Lord of all  
in this our Easter festival,  
for you will be our strength and shield  
from ev'ry weapon death can wield.**

**All praise, O risen Lord, we give  
to you, once dead, but now alive!  
To God the Father equal praise,  
and God the Spirit, now we raise!**

*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

CHRIST HAS ARISEN, ALLELUIA

MFURAHINI, HALELUYA

**Christ has arisen, alleluia.  
Rejoice and praise him, alleluia.  
For our redeemer burst from the tomb,  
even from death, dispelling its gloom.**

*Refrain* **Let us sing praise to him with endless joy.  
Death's fearful sting he has come to destroy.  
Our sin forgiving, alleluia!  
Jesus is living, alleluia!**

**For three long days the grave did its worst  
until its strength by God was dispersed.  
He who gives life did death undergo,  
and in its conquest his might did show. *Refrain***

**The angel said to them, "Do not fear.  
You look for Jesus who is not here.  
See for yourselves the tomb is all bare.  
Only the graveclothes are lying there." *Refrain***

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Risen Lord,

**C: You help us to imagine a world where the naked are clothed, the hungry are fed, and the poor have a roof over their head. Give us the vision and the determination we need to help make it so. Amen.**

*please stand as you are able*

## EASTER ACCLAMATION

## HALLE, HALLE, HALLELUJAH

TRADITIONAL CARIBBEAN

*sing before and after the songleader sings the verse*

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. Hal - le - lu - jah.

## SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 2:42-47; 4:32-37 NRSV

<sup>42</sup>They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. <sup>43</sup>Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. <sup>44</sup>All who believed were together and had all things in common; <sup>45</sup>they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. <sup>46</sup>Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, <sup>47</sup>praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

<sup>32</sup>Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. <sup>33</sup>With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. <sup>34</sup>There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. <sup>35</sup>They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need. <sup>36</sup>There was a Levite, a native of Cyprus, Joseph, to whom the apostles gave the name Barnabas (which means "son of encouragement"). <sup>37</sup>He sold a field that belonged to him, then brought the money, and laid it at the apostles' feet.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

EASTER ACCLAMATION

*sing twice*

HALLE, HALLE, HALLELUJAH

TRADITIONAL CARIBBEAN

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

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

*you may be seated*

STORY TIME

PASTOR SHELLEY CUNNINGHAM

SERMON

LIVING BY THE UPSIDE DOWN VALUES OF JESUS

PASTOR VERN HRISTOPHERSON

*please stand as you are able*

HYMN

LIGHT DAWNS ON A WEARY WORLD

TEMPLE OF PEACE

**Light dawns on a weary world,**

**when eyes begin to see**

**all people's dignity.**

**Light dawns on a weary world:**

**the promised day of justice comes.**

*Refrain* **The trees shall clap their hands;**

**the dry lands, gush with springs;**

**the hills and mountains shall break forth with singing!**

**We shall go out in joy,**

**and be led forth in peace,**

**as all the world in wonder echoes shalom.**

**Love grows in a weary world**

**when hungry hearts find bread**

**and children's dreams are fed.**

**Love grows in a weary world:**

**the promised feast of plenty comes.** *Refrain*

**Hope blooms in a weary world**

**when creatures, once forlorn,**

**find wilderness reborn.**

**Hope blooms in a weary world:**

**the promised green of Eden comes.** *Refrain*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Alive in the risen Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, we bring our prayers before God who promises to hear us and answer in steadfast love.

*After each petition the congregation responds*

L: Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

L: In the hope of new life in Christ, we raise our prayers to you, trusting in your never-ending goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

*you may be seated*

## CONFIRMATION RECOGNITION

### EXPRESSIONS OF GRATITUDE

### BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

ARR. DAVID CHERWIEN

RUTH MONSON, FLUTE; AMY ADAMSON, CELLO; KRISTY GIERE, ORGAN

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### 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.**

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

L: The risen Christ invites us to this table. Come, eat and be satisfied.

### COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

ADAGIO (FROM *SIX SONATAS FOR ORGAN, OP. 65, NO. 2*)

FELIX MENDELSSOHN,

RUTH MONSON, FLUTE; AMY ADAMSON, CELLO; KRISTY GIERE, ORGAN

ARR. LEE J. AFDAHL

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

L: Wellspring of joy, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts.

Satisfy the hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses, that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

*please stand as you are able*

### BLESSING

L: May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus. The God of life, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**My soul cries out with a joyful shout  
that the God of my heart is great,  
and my spirit sings of the wondrous things  
that you bring to the ones who wait.  
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight,  
and my weakness you did not spurn,  
so from east to west shall my name be blest.  
Could the world be about to turn?**

*Refrain* **My heart shall sing of the day you bring.  
Let the fires of your justice burn.  
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near,  
and the world is about to turn.**

**Though I am small, my God, my all,  
you work great things in me,  
and your mercy will last from the depths of the past  
to the end of the age to be.  
Your very name puts the proud to shame,  
and to those who would for you yearn,  
you will show your might, put the strong to flight,  
for the world is about to turn. *Refrain***

**Though the nations rage from age to age,  
we remember who holds us fast:  
God's mercy must deliver us  
from the conqueror's crushing grasp.  
This saving word that our forebears heard  
is the promise which holds us bound,  
till the spear and rod can be crushed by God,  
who is turning the world around. *Refrain***

## 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

TOCCATA ON GAUDEAMUS PARITER  
KRISTY GIERE, ORGAN

ARR. JAMES BIERY

# WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

**PROCLAIMER**-Pastor Vern Christopherson; **WORSHIP LEADERS**-Pastor Jason Bryan-Wegner, Jen Gruendler; **LECTORS**-Noel Peterson (8:30am), Megan Thorvilson (10:30am); **STORY TIME**-Pastor Shelley Cunningham; **ORGANIST**-Kristy Giere; **INSTRUMENTALISTS**-Amy Adamson, cello; Ruth Monson, flute; **SONGLEADERS**-Janette Reeves, Pastor Jason Bryan-Wegner; **USHERS**-Dawn and Mark Grande, Bruce Horazdovsky, Karen and Jeff Lansing (8:30am); Gary Austin, Carol Post, Dan Van Dyke (10:30am); **COMMUNION SERVERS**-Maggie Bartels (8:30am); Sandy Simonson (10:30am)

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## Prayers for God's Good Care:

Don Christensen  
Carol Nelson (Loren)  
Phyllis Olson  
Carol Paulson  
Jody Podolske  
Wanda Rasch

## Sympathy to:

Barb Turner and family of Rick Turner (Memorial Service on Saturday, May 22. Visitation at 10am and service at 11am. The service is open to the public and will also be streamed.)

**Disclaimer: The 8:30am service is live streamed. If you would like to be left out of the camera's view, please walk past the main doors of the sanctuary and choose a chair just to your left near the office.**



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