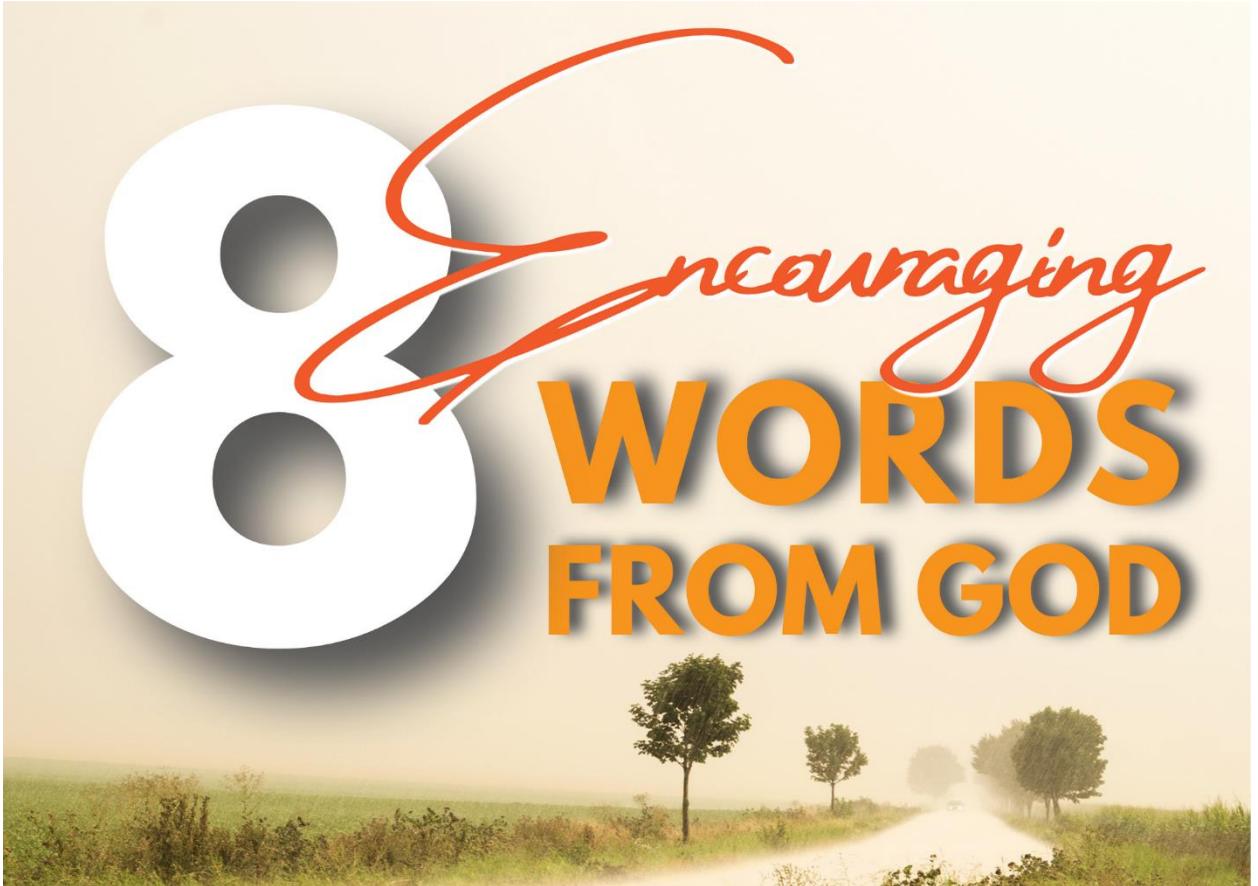




FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 27, 2021

8:30am and 10am



You Are Made for Relationships

Welcome to Zumbro Lutheran Church!

SUNDAY, JUNE 27, 2021

We are in a sermon series entitled *Eight Encouraging Words from God*. In our scripture reading this week, we are reminded that God has created us for relationships, both with God and with each other. During our pandemic we have regularly missed these connections, which are such an important part of who we are.

GATHERING MUSIC

GATHER US IN
RALPH SCHORNACK, PIANO

ARR. RALPH SCHORNACK

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

please stand as you are able

HYMN

GATHER US IN

HYMN TUNE: GATHER US IN

Here in this place the new light is streaming,
now is the darkness vanished away;
see in this space our fears and our dreamings
brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken,
gather us in, the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken,
we shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry,
we are the old who yearn for your face;
we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty,
gather us in, the proud and the strong;
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly,
give us the courage to enter the song.

Not in the dark of buildings confining,
not in some heaven, light years away—
here in this place the new light is shining,
now is the kingdom, and now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever,
gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in, all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

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 GOD, BE THE LOVE TO SEARCH AND KEEP ME

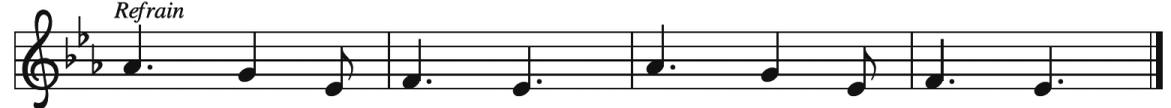
HYMN TUNE: GREEN TYLER



God, be the love to search and keep me; God, be the prayer to
Bright-ness of sun and glow of moon-light, flash - ing of light - ning,
Walk - ing be-hind to hem my jour - ney, go - ing a - head to



move my voice; God, be the strength to now up - hold me:
strength of wind, depth of the sea to soil of plan - et:
light my way, and from be - neath, a - bove, and all ways:



O Christ, sur - round me; O Christ, sur - round me.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Loving God,
C: Thank you for creating us for you and for one another. Give us a deep love for you and for all whom we encounter. Make us gentle and compassionate, humble and forgiving, just and holy in all our relationships. Help us be like Christ, the one who calls us into community and shows us the way of love. Amen.

please stand as you are able

SCRIPTURE SONG OPEN YOUR EARS, O FAITHFUL PEOPLE HYMN TUNE: VÅRVINDAR VRISKA

songleaders



1 O - pen your ears, O faith-ful peo - ple, o - pen your ears and hear God's word.
2 They who have ears to hear the mes - sage, they who have ears, now let them hear;



O - pen your hearts, O roy - al priest-hood, God has come to you.
they who would learn the way of wis - dom, let them hear God's word.

Refrain



all

To - rah o - ra, To - rah o - ra, hal - le - lu - jah!
God has spo - ken to the peo - ple, hal - le - lu - jah!



To - rah o - ra, To - rah o - ra, hal - le - lu - jah!
God has spo - ken words of wis - dom, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal-le-lu-jah!



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BIBLE READING

MATTHEW 22:34-40

³⁴When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, ³⁵and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest? ³⁷He said to him, " 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' ³⁸This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' ⁴⁰On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

L: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

C: Thanks be to God.

you may be seated

STORY TIME

JEN GRUENDLER

SERMON

YOU ARE MADE FOR RELATIONSHIPS

PASTOR JASON BRYAN-WEGNER

please stand as you are able

HYMN

BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS HYMN TUNE: DENNIS

Blest be the tie that binds
our hearts in Christian love;
the unity of heart and mind
is like to that above.

Before our Father's throne
we pour our ardent prayers;
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
our comforts and our cares.

We share our mutual woes,
our mutual burdens bear,
and often for each other flows
the sympathizing tear.

From sorrow, toil, and pain,
and sin we shall be free;
and perfect love and friendship reign
through all eternity.

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

EXPRESSIONS OF GRATITUDE

We are not passing offering baskets during worship. If you happened to bring an offering with you today, there are baskets available at the exits. Thank you for your generosity.

HOLD US TOGETHER

NICOLE PITTENGER, SOLOIST

MATT MAHER AND STEVE WILSON

It don't have a job
It don't pay your bills
Won't buy you a home in Beverly Hills
Won't fix your life
In five easy steps
Ain't the law of the land or the government
But it's all you need

Refrain And love will hold us together
Make us a shelter to weather the storm
And I'll be my brother's keeper
So the whole world will know that we're not alone

It's waiting for you
Knocking at your door
In the moment of truth
When your heart hits the floor
And you're on your knees *Refrain*
This is the first day of the rest of your life
This is the first day of the rest of your life
'Cause even in the dark you can still see the light
It's gonna be alright it's gonna be alright *Refrain*

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: We need to hear encouraging words from you, O God.

After each petition we respond:

L: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

L: Gracious God, as you have encouraged us, help us to bring encouragement to others. In Jesus' name,

C: Amen.

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 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.

please stand as you are able

BLESSING

- L: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ☩ be upon you now and forever.
C: Amen.

HYMN

RISE, SHINE, YOU PEOPLE!

HYMN TUNE: WOJTKIEWIECZ

Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered
our human story; God in him is centered.

He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded,
with grace unbounded.

See how he sends the pow'rs of evil reeling;
he brings us freedom, light and life and healing.
All men and women, who by guilt are driven,
now are forgiven.

Come, celebrate; your banners high unfurling,
your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling.
To all the world go out and tell the story
of Jesus' glory.

Tell how the Father sent the Son to save us.
Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us.
Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation
God's new creation.

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

HYMN TO JOY

RALPH SCHORNACK, ORGANIST

ARR. ALBERT L. TRAVIS

PROCLAIMER-Pastor Jason Bryan-Wegner; WORSHIP LEADER-Pastor Shelley Cunningham; LECTORS-Rebecca Nesse (8:30am); Elizabeth Cozine (10am); STORY TIME-Jen Gruendler; ORGANIST and PIANIST-Ralph Schornack; SONGLEADERS-Nicole Pittenger and Pastor Jason Bryan-Wegner; SOLOIST-Nicole Pittenger; USHERS-Judy and David Clayton, and Luanne Wussow (8:30am); Gary Austin, Kyle Boehm, and Dennis Siemsen (10am); GREETER-Carol Noonan (8:30am)

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Prayers for God's Good Care:

Don Christensen

Julie Larson

Mavis Scheurle

Phil Schmalz

Florence Schubert

Diana Warne

Sympathy to:

Family of Jack Hawkins

Norma Jurisson and family on the death of their son and brother Carl

Brenda Wichmann on the death of her sister Cheryl Schraff

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