



SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 12, 2021

8:30am and 10:30am

Fall Kick-off Sunday!

A poster with an orange background and white puzzle pieces. The word "REGATHER" is written in large, bold, white letters with a drop shadow. Below it, the phrase "an invitation to be church together" is written in a cursive font. In the center, the word "REGATHER" is defined as a verb: "/rē'gaTHər/ verb" followed by "to meet or come together anew" and "to become whole again". The Zumbro Lutheran Church logo is in the bottom right corner.

REGATHER
an invitation to be church together

/rē'gaTHər/ verb
to meet or come together anew
to become whole again

The logo for Zumbro Lutheran Church, featuring a stylized globe icon to the left of the text "ZUMBRO" in a large, bold, sans-serif font, with "LUTHERAN CHURCH" in a smaller font below it.

Come and See

Welcome to Zumbro Lutheran Church!

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

Following Jesus is an invitation to new life. It's also an invitation to share this new life with others. After much disruption over the last year and a half, you may be ready for some new life. Over the next eight weeks we'll explore the kind of new life Jesus offers, and why gathering as God's people is key to the life Jesus offers. Today we welcome jazz trumpeter Jon Ailabouni to Zumbro as he leads our music in worship.

GATHERING MUSIC

WORK SONG
ENSEMBLE MUSICIANS

NAT ADDERLY

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

please stand as you are able

CALL TO WORSHIP

GATHERED IN GOD'S NAME

MICHAEL BURKHARDT

Octet Singers: Gathered in God's name 'round the table and font.
Gathered as one family in the name of love.

Refrain

All

Gath-ered from near and far, gath-ered in
this ho - ly place, gath-ered as strang-ers and
friends, gath-ered and gift - ed by grace.
Gath - ered in God's name 'round the liv - ing
Word. Gath - ered as one fam - 'ly
in the name of love, in the name of
slowing
love, in the name of love.

REGATHER LITANY

L: O God, you are the gathering one who calls us into community with each other;

C: to love and work, to support and heal.

L: You are the gathering one who calls us into community with all people;

C: to bring justice and hope, freedom and truth.

L: You are the gathering one who calls us into community with the whole creation;

C: to live in harmony, to cherish and renew.

L: Let us worship the God who makes us one.

C: Amen.

HYMN 532 vs. 1, 2, 4

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.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est and__ peace to God's peo-ple on earth, Oh,__



sing to the Lord a new song all__ the earth._____



Glo - ry to God in the high-est and__ peace to God's peo-ple on earth, Oh,__



let ev'-ry - thing that has breath praise the Lord._____



He has done__ great things, al - might - y to save____ and serve.



Gave him - self on the cross, and tak - ing the sins of the world._____

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Lamb of God,

C: you once invited those who were passing by to come and see more of you. As we come to worship, gather us in, call us by name, and shine your light in and through us. Amen.

please stand as you are able



1 God, whose al - might - y word cha - os and dark - ness heard
 2 Christ, who once came to bring, on your re - deem - ing wing,
 3 Spir - it of truth and love, life - giv - ing, ho - ly dove,
 4 Ho - ly and bless - ed three, glo - ri - ous Trin - i - ty,



and took their flight: hear us, we hum - bly pray, and where the
 heal - ing and sight; health to the trou - bled mind, sight where il -
 speed forth your flight; move on the wa - ter's face bear - ing the
 Wis - dom, Love, Might: bound - less as o - cean's tide, roll - ing in



gos - pel day sheds not its glo - rious ray, let there be light.
 lu - sions blind; oh, now to hu - man-kind let there be light.
 lamp of grace, and in earth's dark - est place let there be light.
 full - est pride, through the earth, far and wide, let there be light.

BIBLE READING

JOHN 1:35-42 NRSV

³⁵The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" ³⁹He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. ⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). ⁴²He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

you may be seated

STORY TIME

JANETTE DAVIS

ANTHEM

PRAISE THE ONE WHO MAKES US ONE

TOM TRENNEY AND RUSTY EDWARDS

OCTET SINGERS

Praise the One who breaks the darkness with a liberating light.
Praise the One who frees the prisoners turning blindness into sight.
Praise the One who preached the Gospel, curing every dread disease,
Calming storms, and feeding thousands with the very bread of peace.

Praise the One who blessed the children with a strong yet gentle word.
Praise the One who drove out demons with a piercing two-edged sword.
Praise the One who brings cool water to the desert's burning sand.
From this well comes living water, quenching thirst in every land.

Praise the One true love incarnate. Christ, who suffered in our place.
Jesus died and rose for many that we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness, seeing what our God has done.
Praise the One redeeming glory. Praise the One who makes us one.

SERMON

COME AND SEE

PASTOR VERN CHRISTOPHERSON

please stand as you are able

HYMN

HE'S GOT THE WHOLE WORLD IN HIS HANDS

He's got the whole world in his hands. . . *(Sing three times)*
He's got the whole world in his hands.

He's got the wind and the rain in his hands. . .
He's got the whole world in his hands.

He's got the little tiny baby in his hands. . .
He's got the whole world in his hands.

He's got you and me, brother, in his hands. . .
He's got the whole world in his hands.

He's got you and me, sister, in his hands. . .
He's got the whole world in his hands.

He's got everybody here in his hands. . .
He's got the whole world in his hands.

you may be seated

REGATHER VIDEO

THE GIFT OF STAYING CONNECTED

DAVE AND JAN JASPERSON

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.

BLACK AND TAN
ENSEMBLE MUSICIANS

DUKE ELLINGTON AND BUBBER MILEY

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

After each petition we respond:

L: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

L: We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

L: The peace of the Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

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

GUIDE MY FEET (AFRICAN AMERICAN SPIRITUAL)

**Guide my feet while I run this race. Guide my feet while I run this race.
Guide my feet while I run this race, For I don't want to run this race in vain.**

**Hold my hand while I run this race. Hold my hand while I run this race.
Hold my hand while I run this race, For I don't want to run this race in vain.**

**Stand by me while I run this race. Stand by me while I run this race.
Stand by me while I run this race, For I don't want to run this race in vain.**

**I'm your child while I run this race. I'm your child while I run this race.
I'm your child while I run this race, For I don't want to run this race in vain.**

**Search my heart while I run this race. Search my heart while I run this race.
Search my heart while I run this race, For I don't want to run this race in vain.**

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

GUIDE MY FEET

(INSTRUMENTAL REPRISAL, AFRICAN AMERICAN SPIRITUAL)
ENSEMBLE MUSICIANS

ARR. JON AILABOUNI

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

PROCLAIMER-Vern Christopherson; **WORSHIP LEADER**-Pastor Jason Bryan-Wegner; **LECTORS**-Linda Tostrud (8:30am); Vikki Dalquist (10:30am); **STORY TIME**-Janette Davis; **ENSEMBLE MUSICIANS**-Jon Ailabouni, trumpet and band leader; Ben Hach, trumpet; Paul Bye and Maika Suzuki, alto saxophone; Bob Giere, guitar; Tony Tschida, bass; Ralph Schornack, piano; Alex Ortberg, drums; Janette Davis, vocalist; **ORGANIST**-Kristy Giere; **OCTET SINGERS**-Janette Davis, Pam Hammond, soprano; Jolene Hansen, Meredith Pritchard, alto; Alan Hansen, Bob Jenkins, tenor; Todd Davis, Ralph Schornack, bass; Bob Giere, director; **USHERS**-Dorothea and Randy Fritz, and Pamela Vetter (8:30am); Jo Meyer, Sandy Nieland and Sara Smith (10:30am); **GREETERS**-Maggie Bartels and Sonja Galstad (8:30am)

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Prayers for God's Good Care:

Virginia Anderson
Harold Geerdes
Lester Horntvedt

Sympathy to:

Betsy Dartt and Nancy Haglof on the death of their sister Gretchen Logan (*Service at Zumbro on Monday, September 13 at 2pm with visitation at 1pm. The service is open to the public and will be live-streamed.*)

Family and friends of Noel Taylor (*Service at Zumbro on Saturday, September 18 at 11am. The service is open to the public.*)

This week's radio broadcast is sponsored by Vikki Dalquist in memory of Laverne Orvoll.

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.



Hearing Loop installed. Switch hearing aid to T-Coil. Hearing devices are available to check out. Ushers are available to assist.

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