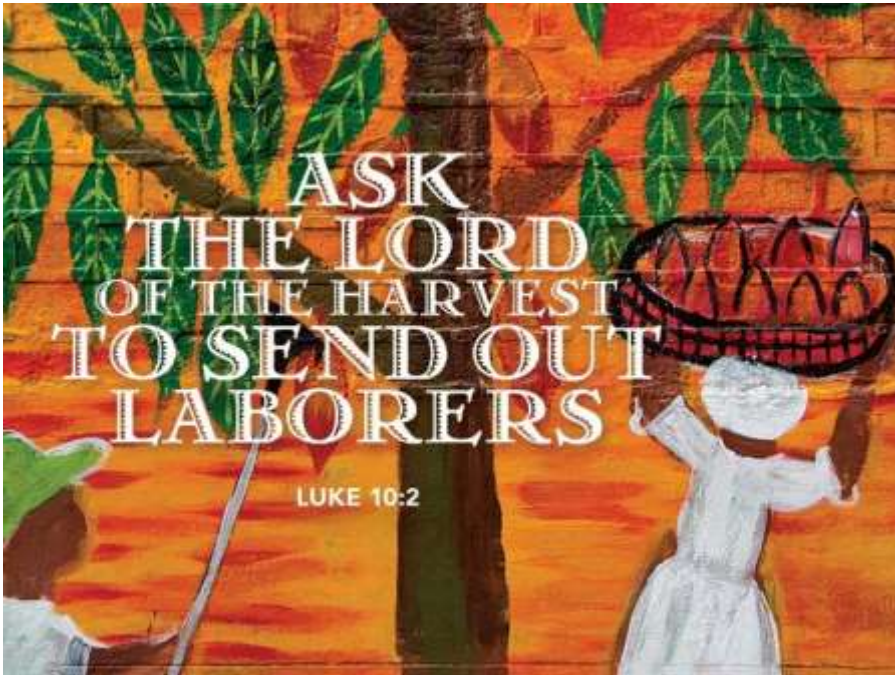


Fourth Sunday after Pentecost



*Lakeside Worship
July 3, 2022 | 9:00 a.m.*

*Big Bend, Borgund, Immanuel, Kviteseid,
Minnesota Valley, and Zion Lutheran Churches*

Milan Beach Resort - Lac qui Parle Lake

ORDER OF SERVICE

Welcome to worship at the lake... Today we thank and praise our Lord for the gift of freedom, democracy, and all that we have as we live our lives under His care and guidance.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

“O Beautiful for Spacious Skies”

1. O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,
for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain:
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.
2. O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife,
who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life:
America! America! May God thy gold refine,
till all success be nobleness, and ev'ry gain divine.
3. O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years
thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears:
America! America! God mend thine ev'ry flaw,
confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.

EXHORTATION AND PRAYER ON A NATIONAL HOLIDAY

P On July 4, 1776, our forefathers bravely advanced the cause of freedom and liberty by declaring this nation's independence and sovereignty and that all her citizens possessed the unalienable rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness given by our Creator. It is appropriate therefore as we celebrate our nation's 246th birthday that we give thanks to that Creator for our liberties and pray for continued blessings upon our country, our government and our fellow citizens.

P The earth is the Lord's,

C **And all who dwell in it.**

P God is king over the nations:

C **God sits on his holy throne.**

P He rules by his might forever.

C **His eyes keep watch on the nations.**

P Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

C **For God judges the peoples with equity and guides the nations upon earth.**

P O Lord, be gracious to us and bless us,

C And make your face to shine upon us.

P May your ways be known upon the earth,

C Your saving power among all peoples.

P Lord of the nations, guide our people by your Spirit to go forward in justice and freedom. Give us what outward prosperity may be your will, but above all things, give us faith in you, that our nation may bring glory to your name and blessings to all peoples; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

HYMN

“God Bless our Native Land”

1. God bless our native land; firm may it ever stand through storm and night.
When the wild tempests rave, Ruler of wind and wave, do thou our country save
by thy great might.
2. So shall our prayers arise to God above the skies, on whom we wait.
Thou who art ever nigh, guarding with watchful eye, to thee aloud we cry:
God save us all!

INDEPENDENCE DAY LITANY

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

2 Kings 5:1-14

**C O God of people and nations,
we are ignorant and arrogant
about our own prosperity and might.
When we forget how much we have,
remind us of our abundance.
When we take pride in our status
and think ourselves better than others,
grant us humility.
When we use wealth and power
to get our own way at the expense of others,
correct us.
Heal us, we pray,
that we may be a force for wholeness.
With all that we have,
we pray for your forgiveness. Amen.**

P Hear the good news:
God does not deal with us according to our sins
but delights in granting pardon and mercy.
In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.
You are free to love as God loves.

C Amen.

HYMN

“This Is My Song”

1. This is my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for lands afar and mine.
This is my home, the country where my heart is;
here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;
but other hearts in other lands are beating
with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
2. My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,
and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine.
But other lands have sunlight too, and clover,
and skies are ev'rywhere as blue as mine.
So hear my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for their land and for mine.
3. This is my prayer, O God of all earth's kingdoms,
your kingdom come; on earth your will be done.
O God, be lifted up till all shall serve you,
and hearts united learn to live as one.
So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations;
myself I give you; let your will be done.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

C O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PSALM 66:1-9

L ¹Be joyful in God, all you lands; be joyful, all the earth.

C ²Sing the glory of God's name; sing the glory of God's praise.

L ³Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds!

Because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.

C ⁴All the earth bows down before you, sings to you, sings out your name.”

L ⁵Come now and see the works of God, how awesome are God's deeds toward all people.

C **“God turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot, and there we rejoiced in God.**

L ⁷Ruling forever in might, God keeps watch over the nations; let no rebels exalt themselves.

C **⁸Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard.**

L ⁹Our God has kept us among the living and has not allowed our feet to slip.

FIRST LESSON: Galatians 6:7-10, 14

In the close of his letter to the Galatians, Paul encourages them to live as people made right with God through faith in Jesus Christ. Here Paul offers practical advice about how believers exercise common concern for one other in “the family of faith.”

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 10th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL: Luke 10:1-11, 16

Jesus commissions harvesters and laborers to go where he would go and do what he would do. Risking hardship and danger in exchange for the experience of great joy, they offer peace and healing as signs that the reign of God is near.

P The Gospel of our Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SECOND LESSON: 2 Kings 5:1-14

Naaman, a Syrian general, suffers from leprosy. In this passage Elisha miraculously cures his illness, but only after Naaman realizes, with the help of his servants, that he also needs healing for his pride.

MESSAGE

Vicar Sara Larson

HYMN OF THE DAY

“God of Our Fathers”

1. God of our fathers, whose almighty hand
leads forth in beauty all the starry band
of shining worlds in splendor through the skies:
our grateful songs before your throne arise.
2. Your love divine has led us in the past;
in this free land by you our lot is cast;
oh, be our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay;
your word our law, your paths our chosen way.
3. From war’s alarms, from deadly pestilence,
make your strong arm our ever sure defense.
Your true religion in our hearts increase;
your bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

4. Refresh your people on their toilsome way;
lead us from night to never-ending day;
fill all our lives with heav'n-born love and grace
until at last we meet before your face.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

C We believe in God - the Creator of all things - the source of all goodness and love. He is our God and we are His people.

We believe in Jesus Christ - the Son of God - true God yet true man. He was crucified, died, and was buried for our sin, that we might be free and know the joy of life. He was raised on the third day and ascended to heaven. He will come again in power and glory to judge both the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit - the power of God at work inside of us. We believe in the church of God - His people of faith throughout the world. We believe that our sin is forgiven and that we will live together with God for now and throughout eternity. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE NATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of Christ, be with you always.

C And also with you.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY RESPONSE "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

1. Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

OFFERING PRAYER

P Make us thankful every day, O God, for the gifts that alight upon us from your bounty. Guide us to use these offerings to your glory for the health of your people and this creation.

C **Amen.**

BLESSING

P The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.

C **Amen.**

P The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P The God of all grace ☩ bless you now and forever.

C **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN "My Country, 'Tis of Thee"

1. My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing:
land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrims' pride,
from ev'ry mountainside let freedom ring.
2. My native country, thee, land of the noble free, thy name I love;
I love thy rocks and rills, thy woods and templed hills;
my heart with rapture thrills like that above.
3. Let music swell the breeze, and ring from all the trees sweet freedom's song;
let mortal tongues awake; let all that breathe partake;
let rocks their silence break, the sound prolong.
4. Our fathers' God, to thee, author of liberty, to thee we sing:
long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light.
Protect us by thy might, great God, our king.

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— WELCOME —
to all those joining us today for Lakeside Worship

Serving You Today

Pastor Kristine Isder — Kviteseid and Big Bend Lutheran Churches
Vicar Sara Larson — Zion, Minnesota Valley, and Borgund Lutheran Churches
Pastor Linda Estling — Immanuel Lutheran Church

Today's undesignated offering
will be given to food shelves in Chippewa, Lac qui Parle and Swift counties.

*Please join us following worship for coffee and fellowship.
Free will donation for coffee and goodies provided by Randall's.*

Please mark your calendars and join us again on

Sunday, September 4 (Labor Day Weekend)
at 9:00 a.m. at the Milan Beach Resort

Remember to bring a lawn chair!



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