



# WORSHIP AT THE LAKE

**9:00 AM**  
**Sunday, July 26th, 2020**  
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

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5:30 PM Wednesday Worship  
9:00 AM Sunday Worship  
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*Ministers: Everyone*

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GUITAR

Sarah Tailowright

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP:

L: God's mercy is ours,

**C: So we do not lose heart.**

L: God's light shines out of darkness

**C: And into our hearts.**

L: Even though we are frail,

**C: God's Spirit works in us.**

OPENING SONG:

**"Shine Jesus Shine"**

ALC #127

1) Lord, the light of Your love is shining in the midst of the darkness shining; Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us, set us free by the truth You now bring us, Shine on me, shine on me.

**Chorus:** Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory; Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire. Flow, river flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy; Send forth Your Word, Lord, and let there be light.

2) Lord, I come to your awesome presence, From the shadows into Your radiance; by the blood I may enter Your brightness, search me, try me, consume all my darkness, Shine on me, shine on me. (**Chorus**)

3) As we gaze on Your Kingly brightness, so our faces display Your likeness; Ever changing from glory to glory, Mirror'd here may our lives tell Your story, Shine on me, shine on me. (**Chorus**)

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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

P: We confess our sins before God and one another.

*Pause for silence and reflection.*

P: Loving God,

**C: When our path becomes difficult, we do not always turn to you. We look for an easy way out. We escape in avoidance and addiction. We forget your promises and seek what does not satisfy. Forgive us and bring us back into the strength of your Spirit.**

P: God is generous and loving and forgiving. Hear and believe that your sins are washed away and that new life is yours through Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

KYRIE

(Setting Ten)

ELW p. 203

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.**

Have mercy on us, Lord, and hear our solemn prayer. We come to hear you living word; it saves us from despair.

Have mercy on us, Christ, and wash away our sin. Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may begin.

Have mercy on us, Lord; make sin and shame depart. Renew us with your saving pow'r; create in us new hearts!

SONG OF PRAISE: ***“Oh How He Loves You and Me”*** ALC #39

1) Oh how He loves you and me; Oh, how He loves you and me. He gave His life what more could He give? Oh, how He loves you; oh, how He loves me; Oh, how he loves you and me.

2) Jesus to Calv'ry did go. His love for sinners to show. What He did there brought hope from despair. Oh, how He loves you; oh, how He loves me; Oh, how He loves you and me.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY:

**Eternal God, You have come to make immortal things visible through mortals. Use us and our lives to reflect your glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING 2 Corinthians 4:1-18 Reader: Rick Quade

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. <sup>2</sup>We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God. <sup>3</sup>And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. <sup>4</sup>In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. <sup>5</sup>For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. <sup>6</sup>For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup>But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us.

<sup>8</sup>We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; <sup>9</sup>persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; <sup>10</sup>always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. <sup>11</sup>For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. <sup>12</sup>So death is at work in us, but life in you. <sup>13</sup>But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, <sup>14</sup>because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. <sup>15</sup>Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to

the glory of God. <sup>16</sup>So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup>For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, <sup>18</sup>because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

The Word of the Lord. / **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Melanie Shamp, CE Coordinator

MESSAGE

Pastor Sarah

SONG OF THE DAY

***"Be Thou My Vision"***

ELW #793

- 1) Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art;  
Thou my best thought both by day and by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence  
my light.
- 2) Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me,  
Lord. Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tow'r, raise thou me heav'n-ward, O  
Pow'r of my pow'r.
- 3) Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise, thou mine inheritance now and always;  
thou and thou only, the first in my heart. great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.
- 4) Light of my soul, after victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Text: Irish, 8th cent.; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860-1935, alt.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880-1931. Music: Irish traditional SLANE

APOSTLES' CREED

***"I Believe, I do Believe"***

***Chorus:***

I believe, I do believe, truly I believe it, truly I believe it, truly I believe it,  
I believe, I do believe, truly I believe, truly I believe it, truly I believe it.

- 1) I believe in God the Almighty Lord Creator, Mighty Lord Creator, Mighty Lord Creator.  
I believe in God the Almighty Lord Creator, Mighty Lord Creator, Mighty Lord Creator.
- 2) I believe in Jesus the Savior of the people Savior of the people, Savior of the people.  
I believe in Jesus the Savior of the people Savior of the people, Savior of the people.
- 3) And I do believe in the power of the Spirit, power of the Spirit, power of the Spirit.  
And I do believe in the power of the Spirit, power of the Spirit, power of the Spirit.

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SHARING OF THE PEACE USING SIGN LANGUAGE

(Hug/ Hand signal for I Love You)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

OFFERING

*We give, because God gives to us! Our ministries share God's love.*

*As you leave, there will be an opportunity to place your offering in the offering baskets located on the front table.*

OFFERTORY PRAYER:

**Accept and bless the gifts which your children present to you in gratitude for the blessings which you have also given us. May our time on this earth be spent in service to your world in need, and in glory to you, O God. Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION

Words of Institution

Recognition of First Communicants

Lord's Prayer

(Please remain seated; Holy Communion will be distributed to you)

COMMUNION SONG

***“Amazing Grace”***

ELW #779

- 1) Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.
- 2) ‘Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!
- 3) Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come; ‘tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
- 4) The Lord has promised good to me: his word my hope secures; he will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.
- 5) When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

Text: John Newton, 1725-1807, alt., sts. 1-4 anonymous, st. 5. Music: W. Walker, Southern Harmony, 1835,; arr. Edwin O. Excel, 1851-1921, alt.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG

***“Go In Peace and Serve the Lord”***

ALC #70

Go in peace and serve the Lord. God is calling you today. Go and tell Gospel news everywhere. Go in peace and serve the Lord. God is calling you today to bring truth and love to every nation. (repeat)

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DISMISSAL

**Go in Peace, Serve the Lord. / We will! Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

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**WELCOME** to worship at American and Bethany Lutheran Church service at Cottonwood Lake! Twelve 5th graders will be recognized for their First Communion on Wednesday and today.

