

*THE GOSPEL IS READ

Mark 10:46-52

*THE GOSPEL RESPONSE

Pastor: The Gospel of the living Christ.
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

*GLORIA PATRI

No. 70

CELEBRATION THROUGH PROCLAMATION

SERMON

“Making Sense of Suffering”

Pastor Russel Shuluga

CELEBRATION THROUGH COMMITMENT

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

THE LORD’S OFFERING

THE OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

No. 95

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Mighty God, just as you restore sight to the blind and benevolence to the afflicted, use these offerings to provide refuge for the lost and mercy for those who suffer. May our gifts find those who cry out in their need and who seek you with their whole hearts. We ask this in Jesus’s name, the name above all names. Amen.

CELEBRATION THROUGH SENDING

*BENEDICTION

Pastor: We once were broken, but now are whole.
People: **We go with peace in our hearts.**
Pastor: We once were blind, but now we see.
People: **We go with hope for our lives.**
Pastor: We once were lost, but now are found.
People: **We go with joy and thanksgiving.**
Pastor: We once were alone, but now are family.
People: **we go with God.**

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*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“Danish Amen”

No. 898

*RECESSIONAL HYMN

“Through It All”

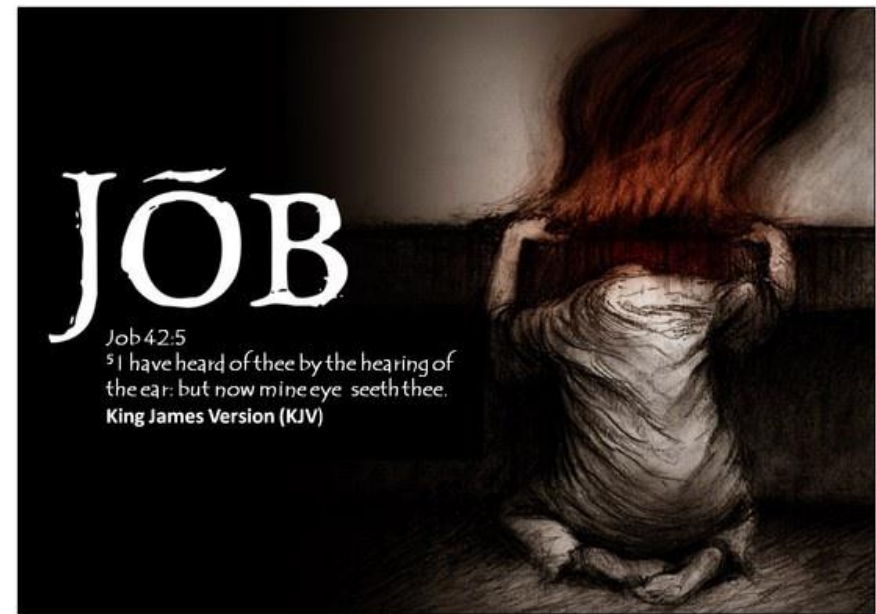
No. 507 (sing twice)

*POSTLUDE

“Benediction”

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WE TAKE THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD!



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Welcome Visitors: We are pleased you have chosen to worship with us today. If you have questions concerning the service, please feel free to ask a greeter or a person sitting near you. If you do not have a permanent church home, please consider joining us.

OCTOBER 24, 2021

22nd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

ORDER OF WORSHIP – 11:15 AM

CELEBRATION THROUGH CENTERING

PRELUDE

“Andante”

M. Thal

(As the prelude begins, you are invited to center yourself for worship)

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING WORDS

Pastor: In the midst of darkness, there is light.

People: **In the midst of blindness, we will be given sight.**

Pastor: Our Savior, Jesus Christ, brings healing love to us.

People: **Let the light of Jesus’ love breakthrough our blindness and fill our world with glory.**

HYMN "Shine, Jesus, Shine" TFWS No. 2173, v. 1
*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.
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.*

Pastor: Tear away the bonds that trap us in darkness, Lord.
People: Wipe away all our fears so that we may boldly proclaim your love.
Pastor: Give us courage to stand for truth and justice.
People: Give us wisdom to reach out in compassion to others.

HYMN "Shine, Jesus, Shine" TFWS No. 2173, v. 2
*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.
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.*

Pastor: Transform our loves.
People: Reform our souls.
Pastor: Bring us to a new day in your kingdom, O Lord.
People: Bring us to a new way of serving you with great joy, O Lord.

HYMN "Shine, Jesus, Shine" TFWS No. 2173, v. 3
*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.
As we gaze on your kingly brightness, so our faces display your likeness;
ever changing from glory to glory, mirrored here may our lives tell your story.
Shine on me, shine on me.*

CELEBRATION THROUGH ADORATION

*OPENING HYMN & BRINGING FORTH THE LIGHT "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" No. 89

CALL TO WORSHIP
Pastor: Bless the Lord at all times.
People: Let everyone bless God.
Pastor: Praise the Lord continually.
People: Let everyone praise Christ.
Pastor: Our souls boast in the Lord.
People: We boast in the Spirit's greatness.

Pastor: With one voice, we magnify and exalt the Lord, for God has delivered us and made us whole.
All: Exalt our God, the Lord of life.

OPENING PRAYER
Great Triune God, through Jesus Christ, our great and eternal High Priest, we give you praise and consecrate ourselves to follow you. As we worship you and celebrate your glorious resurrection, open our eyes so that we may see — open the eyes of our mind to learning and understanding; open the eyes of our heart, to love and compassion; open the eyes of our soul, to see our spiritual selves during our time of worship. Amen.

INTROIT "Majesty" No. 176

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

CELEBRATION THROUGH PRAYER

CALL TO PRAYER
Seek the Lord, and God will answer. Happy are those who take refuge in our God. The Lord will deliver them from their tears. Let us pray.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

HYMN OF PRAYER "On Eagle's Wings" No. 143

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE "On Eagles Wings" No. 143

CELEBRATION THROUGH THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
Pastor: O Lord, open our eyes, our ears, our minds, and our hearts
People: that we might behold wondrous things out of your word.

CHORAL RESPONSE "Thy Word" No. 601 (Refrain only)

"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path"

FIRST LESSON Job 42:1-6, 10-17

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Alleluia" No. 186
"Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia"

*GOSPEL LESSON
Pastor: The Lord be with you,
People: And also with you.
Pastor: A reading from the Gospel of St. Mark
People: Glory to You, O Lord.