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# Spirit

## BY ANOTHER ROAD

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- On Sunday October 1, we will begin using a new liturgy setting, from Evangelical Lutheran Worship. It is by Marty Haugen, a familiar composer of sacred music. The adult choir, lead by Cherry Crosser and Monica Allen, have been practicing ELW Setting Two and will assist in introducing it to the congregation.
- I'm saddened to hear the St. Clair Brother in St. Paul will close after September 30. It's been a favorite of mine since I was at Macalester College in the eighties and Denise and the kids loved it, too. Blessings!
- I played the song, "There She Goes My Beautiful World" by Nick Cave and the Bad Seeds in Wednesday Worship last night. It's an extended psalm or prayer to God, asking to receive divine inspiration, like other artists and creative persons have received, to create and co-create with God the world in which we live. "Send that stuff on down to me," Nick Cave pleads.
- Thanks to many, many volunteers who helped with the outdoor worship service and potluck on September 10. I had a great time!
- I always love hearing the reflections by our high school youth in worship about their summer mission trip. The words they shared again this year about their trip to Toronto were inspiring.
- The Twins were swept again by the Yankees in New York. "Some things change. Some things remain the same. Lay your ear down upon the earth and listen," said Emerson. Amen....
- My thinking about God, faith, church, and life is continually changing as I'm on my spiritual journey. I take my time introducing new ideas and am interested in people's questions and responses. I had a conversation this week and told someone, "The FAITHways Adult Forum is like my focus group, Wednesday Worship is the test audience, and Sunday morning is the final rollout of something new." If you haven't attended the adult forum or midweek worship in awhile, I'd love to have you there!
- Julie Rasmussen has some fun ideas for the youth Halloween party this year! I can't wait to see how it all comes together.
- The trees and plants are in full autumn color transformation in and around Hoy Lake. I'm excited that waterfowl other than geese are now on the water, too!
- God's presence, blessings and peace are everywhere. May you find what you're looking for....