**Sunday, September 5, 2021**

**(OPENING HYMN)**

**“*I Love to Tell the Story*”**

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(Vs. 1, 2, 3)

**1.**

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story, because I know it's true;
it satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.

**Refrain:
I love to tell the story;**

**'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.**

**2.**

 I love to tell the story: how pleasant to repeat
what seems, each time I tell it,

more wonderfully sweet!
I love to tell the story,
for some have never heard the message of salvation
from God’s own holy word.

**Refrain:
I love to tell the story;**

**'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.**

**3.**

I love to tell the story, for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory,

I sing the new, new song, I'll sing the old, old story
that I have loved so long.

**Refrain:
I love to tell the story;**

**'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.**

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| **(HYMN OFTHE DAY*)******“Lord, Speak to Us,*** ***That We May Speak”***ELW Page 676(Vs. 1, 2, 3) **1.**Lord, speak to us, that we may speak in living echoes of your tone;As you have sought, so let us seek your straying children, lost and lone.**2.**Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may leadthe wandering and the wavering feet;Oh, feed us, Lord, that we may feed your hungering ones with manna sweet.**3.**Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teachthe precious truths which you impart;And wing our words, that they may reach The hidden depths of many a heart. | **(CLOSING HYMN)*****Spread, Oh, Spread,*** ***Almighty Word”***  ELW Page 663 (Vs. 1, 2, 3)**1.**Spread, oh, spread, almighty Word,Spread the reign of God the Lord,Send forth our Creator’s call,Heaven’s gifts extend to all.**2.**Tell of our Redeemer’s grace,Who, to save our human raceAnd to pay rebellion’s price,Gave Himself as sacrifice.**3.**Tell of God the Spirit givenNow to guide us on to heaven,Strong and holy, just and true;Working both to will and do. |