

Genesis 9:8-17 (ESV)

⁸ Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹ “Behold, I establish my covenant with you and your offspring after you, ¹⁰ and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the livestock, and every beast of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark; it is for every beast of the earth. ¹¹ I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” ¹² And God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³ I have set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴ When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵ I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶ When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” ¹⁷ God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

Ephesians 3:14-21 (ESV)

¹⁴ For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, ¹⁶ that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷ so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸ may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth,

¹⁹ and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. ²⁰ Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Mark 6:45-56 (ESV)

⁴⁵ Immediately he made his disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. ⁴⁶ And after he had taken leave of them, he went up on the mountain to pray. ⁴⁷ And when evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land. ⁴⁸ And he saw that they were making headway painfully, for the wind was against them. And about the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. He meant to pass by them, ⁴⁹ but when they saw him walking on the sea they thought it was a ghost, and cried out, ⁵⁰ for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, “Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.” ⁵¹ And he got into the boat with them, and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded, ⁵² for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened. ⁵³ When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored to the shore. ⁵⁴ And when they got out of the boat, the people immediately recognized him ⁵⁵ and ran about the whole region and began to bring the sick people on their beds to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶ And wherever he came, in villages, cities, or countryside, they laid the sick in the marketplaces and implored him that they might touch even the fringe of his garment. And as many as touched it were made well.

*Now to him
who is able to
do immeasurably
more than all
we ask or imagine ...
To him be glory.*

EPHESIANS 3:20-21, NIV



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10th Sunday after Pentecost

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✠ In the Name of Jesus ✠

Theme of the Day ~ *Creation Is Redeemed and Sanctified by the Word of Christ Jesus.* Having spared faithful Noah and his family from the flood, the Lord established His covenant with them, “and with every living creature,” that never again would there be “a flood to destroy the earth” (Gen. 9:9–11). He signed and sealed this everlasting covenant with His rainbow in the clouds, by which He sees and remembers His promise that “the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh” (Gen. 9:13–16). Although creation suffers under the curse of sin, the Lord preserves and orders creation for the benefit of His Church. In particular, all of creation is redeemed and sanctified by the incarnate Son of God. “Take heart,” and “do not be afraid,” for He is with you on the sea. He is not a ghost, but He has come in the flesh to save you. He has gotten “into the boat” with you, and the wind that was against you has ceased (Mark 6:45–51). For He is the Word and promise of the Father, and His own flesh and blood are the covenant by which you are “strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being” (Eph. 3:16–17). We are thankful for Pastor Mundt as he leads us in worship in Pastor Hauser’s absence.

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Pastor	Richard Mundt
Muscians	Tami Mosher, Randy Laurenz
A/V	Thomas Hollingsworth
Elder/Reader	Dale Rohde
Greeters	Karen Seeburger & Myrna Pruitt
Ushers	Paul Bohn & Roger Kade

Our Measure of Love and Gifts

Attendance last week – 82 Needed for The Lord’s Work at Zion \$4,128 ~ Received for the Lord’s Work \$2,781 = Loose Plate \$66, Envelopes \$2,404, Mission \$110, Maintenance \$201; Cap. Prj. \$30.

Please pray for your fellow Christians on their birthday-Aug 3- Michael Lehman; Aug 4- Emily McFadden; Aug 5- Elizabeth Wietfeldt; Aug 6-Adam Rohde; Aug 7- Payton Staley, Alan White.

Vacation ~ Please note that Pastor Hauser will be on vacation through August 5. If you have a pastoral emergency please call St. Peter Lutheran at 642-8188. We will welcome Pastor Roger Stauffer on August 5.

Old Car/Tractor Show will be held today from noon until 5 pm The quilt and pie auction will be held at 3pm. Be sure to check out the quilts to be auctioned off. Quilts are displayed in the narthex.

6th Annual Car Show coming to St. John Amelith Lutheran Church on **Thursday, Aug. 2nd from 5 – 8 pm**. This year the community benefit recipient is the Firefighters Association of Frankenlust Twp. which provides funding to assist the Frankenlust Fire Department in purchasing needed supplies and equipment. In addition to classic cars, the show is open to any classic vehicles which could include trucks, tractors, etc. Plan to come out and attend and view the 80+ cars. For info call Cheri Fish at 989-450-9058.

Zion Float ~ If you would like to work on decorating a float, walk in the parade, or pass out candy for Sawdust Days Parade on September 15, please contact Julayne Hutfilz at 643-7141 or Lois Tessin at 642-8216.

Lord, Remember Me ~ The funeral of renowned evangelist Billy Graham was a celebration — not of the preacher’s long life and many accomplishments but of his arrival in heaven. Graham, who died at age 99 in February 2018, was confident he’d spend eternity with Jesus but knew the reason wasn’t his own status or actions. Graham knew he was a sinner in need of forgiveness. “I still need the cross,” he said. Graham added, “I am not going to heaven because I have preached to great crowds or read the Bible many times. I’m going to heaven just like the thief on the cross who said in that last moment: ‘Lord, remember me.’”

Gardens and fields are vibrant with growth these days, Creator God!
Help my faith flourish too.