

Old Testament

Genesis 9:8–17

⁸ God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹“Behold, I establish my covenant with you and your offspring after you, ¹⁰and 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. ¹¹I 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.” ¹²And 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: ¹³I have set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵I 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. ¹⁶When 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.” ¹⁷God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

Epistle

Ephesians 3:14–21

¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, ¹⁶that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

²⁰Now 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, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Holy Gospel

Mark 6:45–56

⁴⁵Immediately [Jesus] made his disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. ⁴⁶And after he had taken leave of them, he went up on the mountain to pray. ⁴⁷And when evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land. ⁴⁸And 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, ⁴⁹but when they saw him walking on the sea they thought it was a ghost, and cried out, ⁵⁰for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, “Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.” ⁵¹And he got into the boat with them, and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded, ⁵²for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened.

⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored to the shore. ⁵⁴And when they got out of the boat, the people immediately recognized him ⁵⁵and ran about the whole region and began to bring the sick people on their beds to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And 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.



About the Cover: The word of Jesus’ mighty miracles preceded Him throughout the region as people heard about the woman who had touched His garment and was healed, or how He made the blind see and the crippled walk again. The people believed that Jesus was able to heal the sick. Jesus still heals the sickness of our sins through forgiveness and lovingly restores us to Himself.

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TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 25 & 29, 2018

Sharing, Believing, Living, Caring

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Liturgy: Divine Service Setting Four p. 203
Hymns: 902, 700, 805, 618, 622, 921
Sermon: "God's Love Enables Us to Love"
John 15:9-12

THE MEASURE OF OUR LOVE

Attendance 7/18 (Wed.): 45	Offering: \$887.00
Attendance 7/22 (Sun.): 45	Offering: \$1,180.01
Budget Needs: \$3,397.00	Scrip Profit 7/22: \$82.38

KINGDOM WORK THIS WEEK

WED (8/1)	7:00 p.m. – Worship
	8:00 p.m. – Stewardship/Evangelism
SUN (8/5)	9:00 a.m. – Worship

IN OUR PRAYERS we remember Roger & Carolyn Bladow upon their 50th anniversary.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given in God's glory by Roger & Carolyn Bladow in honor of their anniversary.

THANK YOU to Pastor Dennis Sundell for being with us and leading us in worship today.

PASTOR ON VACATION – July 23-30 – If an emergency should arise, contact Pastor Joel Brassfield (920-246-2587) or one of the elders.

SCHOOL KITS – A flyer can be found in your church mailbox. School items are now on sale. Please donate complete kits and only complete kits. Cash may also be donated. The deadline is September 9.

PRODUCE TABLE – If you have any extra garden produce during the summer months that you would like to share with members of the congregation, drop it off on the table in the coat room. Items can be left on or taken from the table anytime during the week.

UPCOMING EVERYONE HIS WITNESS WORKSHOP –

The South Wisconsin District will be holding an *Everyone His Witness* Workshop on August 18th from 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM at Pilgrim Lutheran Church in Wauwatosa. The focus of this evangelism workshop is aimed at providing training and encouragement for Lutherans to share the Gospel with those whom God has placed in their everyday lives. Cost for the workshop is \$14.00 and includes materials and lunch with a registration deadline of August 8th. Further information, including an online registration, is available at <http://swd.lcms.org/every-one-witness/>. Please call the South Wisconsin District at 414.464.8100 if you have any questions.

OUR STEWARDSHIP LIFE

Luke 16:8-9 *"For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings."* The things of this world, including wealth, are merely tools: they can be used for good or ill. They can be squandered or used efficiently. How we use them will be determined by what is most important to us. What is most important to you in your life? Does the way you use the things of this world reflect that?

DISTRICT MISSIONS – Pray for the **Karenni** refugees who have settled in the Milwaukee area and for this mission ministry. Ask for an increase in volunteers to expand the outreach into the community and, at the Holy Spirit's direction, that many new refugees would know of the newness of the life in Christ.