

Old Testament

Isaiah 40:1–8

¹Comfort, comfort my people, says your God.
²Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins. ³A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. ⁴Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. ⁵And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken." ⁶A voice says, "Cry!" And I said, "What shall I cry?" All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field. ⁷The grass withers, the flower fades when the breath of the LORD blows on it; surely the people are grass. ⁸The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.

Epistle

2 Timothy 3:10–17

¹⁰You, however, have followed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, ¹¹my persecutions and sufferings that happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, and at Lystra—which persecutions I endured; yet from them all the Lord rescued me. ¹²Indeed, all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, ¹³while evil people and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived.

¹⁴As for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work.

Holy Gospel

John 14:15–31

¹⁵[Jesus said:] "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, ¹⁷even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

¹⁸"I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him." ²²Judas (not Iscariot) said to him, "Lord, how is it that you will manifest yourself to us, and not to the world?" ²³Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. ²⁴Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father's who sent me.

²⁵"These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. ²⁶But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. ²⁷Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.

²⁸You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I will come to you.' If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. ²⁹And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe. ³⁰I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on me, ³¹but I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Rise, let us go from here."



About the Cover: God wants us to know Him fully. He wants us to empty ourselves and to believe in Him only. Jesus speaks the truth when He says, "No one is good except God alone." We are all sinful; God is sinless. Jesus was sinless, good, and took our sins on the cross to restore our sinless relationship to the Father. Through the blood of Jesus, we are again good in the Father's sight.



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EXCEPT
GOD ALONE

MARK 10:18

21st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 10 & 14, 2018

Sharing, Believing, Living, Caring

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Liturgy: Divine Service Setting One p. 151
Hymns: 707, 578, 805, 698
Sermon: "Embracing a Commitment to God's Word"
Isaiah 40:1-8

THE MEASURE OF OUR LOVE

Attendance 10/3 (Wed.): 35	Comm.: 33	Offering: \$841.00
Attendance 10/7 (Sun.): 90	Comm.: 67	Offering: \$2,208.00
S.S. - 18	Staff - 7	B.C. - 6
Budget Needs: \$3,397.00	Scrip Profit: 10/7: \$50.25	

KINGDOM WORK THIS WEEK

SUN (10/14) 10:00 a.m. - Elders
6:30 p.m. - Farm & Home 4H
WED (10/17) 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. - Confirmation Class
6:00 p.m. - Choir
7:00 p.m. - Worship w/Comm.
SUN (10/21) 8:00 a.m. - Sunday School/Bible Class
9:00 a.m. - Worship w/Comm.
10:30 a.m. - Identity Theft Prevention Workshop

IN OUR PRAYERS we remember Jeff & Shelly Christopherson upon the death of Shelly's mother, Patty Reidle.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given in God's glory by the family of Betty Krahn in her memory.

TODAY'S BULLETINS are sponsored by Mary Eickert in honor of her birthday.

VOTERS MEETING will take place on Sunday, October 28 at 10 a.m. in the fellowship hall. The agenda includes elections and the 2019 budget.

"EMBRACING GREAT COMMISSION STEWARDSHIP" - In the second week of our emphasis "Embracing Great Commission Stewardship," we focus on "Embracing a Commitment to God's Word." A great treasure as Christians that we possess is the Word of God. The Bible is the preserved account of God, His people, and the growth of His Kingdom. It tells us about the assurance of forgiveness for all sins and the eternal life we have through faith in Jesus Christ. The Bible, with the help of the Holy Spirit, helps us grow in our relationship with our heavenly Father and in the knowledge of Him. For this growth to occur, we need to spend time reading and studying God's Word. It is incumbent upon us to manage our time well so time is made available for us to meditate on His Word. Filled with His Word and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we share God's life-saving message with others, as we go and make disciples.

IDENTITY THEFT: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW is a free educational workshop created by Thrivent Financial to help you learn how identity theft can occur, steps you can take to prevent it, and what to do if it happens to you. Join us in the fellowship hall on Sunday, October 21 at 10:30 a.m. To register, sign up at church or contact Brandon Moehn with Thrivent Financial at 920-645-1204 or email brandon.moehn@thrivent.com.

ANNUAL CHAPLAINCY FUNDRAISER EVENT - Sunday, November 11, 2018 at **Three Guys and a Grill** located at N3350 County J Elkhart Lake, WI. This is the 15th and Final Chaplaincy Event and Rev. Tom Fleischmann's Retirement from the Chaplaincy Ministry. There will be a Silent Auction and 'Chaplaincy Rummage Sale Table.' Doors open at 11:00. Dinner Served at 12:30. Ticket costs are: adults \$40.00 and children 6-12 are \$20.00. Children under the age of 5, tickets are free. Call 892-2211 for tickets. Please reply before November 1, 2018.

THE PRODUCE TABLE remains out if you have any extra fall produce you would like to share with members of the congregation. Items can be left on or taken from the table in the coat room anytime during the week.