

Scripture Reading: Genesis 9:8-17

⁸ Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him: ⁹ “I now establish my covenant with you and with your descendants after you ¹⁰ and with every living creature that was with you—the birds, the livestock and all the wild animals, all those that came out of the ark with you—every living creature on earth. ¹¹ I establish my covenant with you: Never again will all life be destroyed by the waters of a flood; never again will there be a flood to destroy the earth.”

¹² And God said, “This is the sign of the covenant I am making between me and you and every living creature with you, a covenant for all generations to come: ¹³ I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴ Whenever I bring clouds over the earth and the rainbow appears in the clouds, ¹⁵ I will remember my covenant between me and you and all living creatures of every kind. Never again will the waters become a flood to destroy all life. ¹⁶ Whenever the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and all living creatures of every kind on the earth.”

¹⁷ So God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant I have established between me and all life on the earth.”

1 Peter 3:18-22

¹⁸ For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit. ¹⁹ After being made alive, he went and made proclamation to the imprisoned spirits— ²⁰ to those who were disobedient long ago when God waited patiently in the days of Noah while the ark was being built. In it only a few people, eight in all, were saved through water, ²¹ and this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also—not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a clear conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²² who has gone into heaven and is at God’s right hand—with angels, authorities and powers in submission to him.

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Pastor Carolyn Westlake
February 18, 2018 1st Sunday in Lent
UMH (United Methodist Hymnal) **FWS** (Faith We Sing)
(*Indicates for Congregation to stand if able)

Announcements / Birthdays & Anniversaries

Time of Reflection

Pianist: Joel Blair

****Hymn #2071 (FWS)** *Jesus, Name above All Names*

****Call to Worship**

Liturgist: Rachel Lange

L: God we seek to know your ways of love and truth. As we walk with Jesus in this season of Lent through our wilderness journeys, your Holy Spirit is with us, as it was with Jesus at the Jordan River.

P: Help us clearly perceive the pathway that proclaims your kindness and your kin-dom. Help us undertake the journey that we may remember anew that you are with us, in us, and near us, on every step of life's journey. Amen.

****Hymn #61 (UMH)** *Come, Thou Almighty King*

Children's Sermon

Dean Murray

Joys and Concerns / Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in Heaven; hallowed be Thy name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done; on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

****Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Scriptures:

Genesis 9:8-17; 1 Peter 3:18-22

Hymn #347 (UMH)

Spirit Song

Message

Covenant

Pastor Carolyn Westlake

Celebration of Holy Communion

Giving of Our Tithes and Offering - Please sign Pew Pad.

****Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him all creatures here below, praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

****Offertory Prayer**

Bless these gifts we offer this day, O God. Through these offerings, may the blessings of your Spirit flow to every corner of the world, that all people may know they are your beloved children. Amen.

****Hymn #193 (UMH)**

Jesus! The Name High over All

(vs 1,3,4,5)

Benediction / Greeting/ Postlude

Prayer for Living Expectantly

Gracious and Life-Giving God,

- Pour out your Holy Spirit, like a mighty wind and tongues of fire, to unleash our churches to see kingdom visions, to dream your dreams, and to prophesy to your saving grace and justice.
- Revive the power of the gospel in the hearts of our clergy and lay leadership and prosper their words and works, so that all nations may hear the good news in their own tongues.
- Boldly use me, without limits, delays or excuses, to be a living praise and witness to your love throughout all the earth and a blessing to all creation.
- Create in me an expectant heart, eager to receive your Spirit gifts and guidance to the glory of Jesus Christ, in whose precious and powerful name I pray. Amen.

Fellowship: Please join us for fellowship time following the service downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. **Nursery:** Available for your use.

PLEASE NOTE

- **Pastor Carolyn's Office Hours:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday mornings at the church office. To contact Pastor Carolyn, please call: Office 507-356-4553, cell 507-208-5842 or pastorc@bevcomm.net. Feel free to call her cell number if you can't reach her at the Church Office.
- **Mission Box** for February and March Food Share.
- **Pine Island Sharing Shelf** for February Mac & Cheese.
- **Maddie Sorum & the Alternative Break Experience** team for spring break (March 4th-10th), will be traveling to Red Lake, MN, to work with the Native American population. We will be volunteering in the school, but may also be working within the greater community because their church recently burned down. One thing Red Lake is always in need of is diapers and baby wipes. Maddie and her team are currently organizing a diaper drive; please drop off diapers and baby wipes by February 24.
- **Easter Flower Order:** Tulips & Truffles has asked if we could get our Easter flower order in early so please have all Easter Flower orders in to Cathy by **Tuesday, March 6.**
- **John Lenten Study** Wednesdays at 7pm in Fellowship Hall starting on February 21 going through March 21.
- **A Reminder** to all committees with check books, please bring in your records to the Finance Meeting on Tuesday, February 20 at 5:30pm for the Audit. Thank You