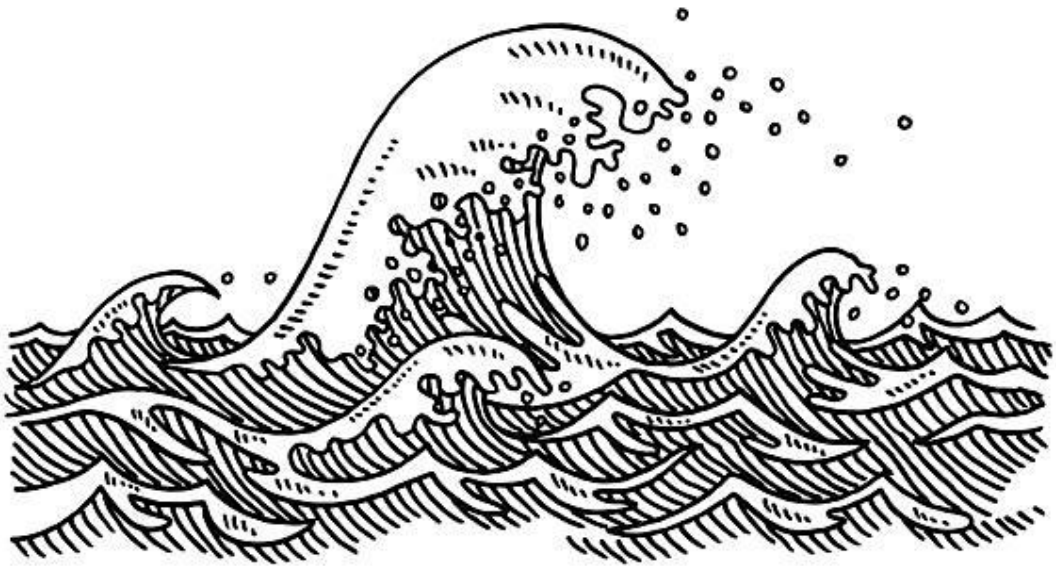


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Growing Together in Christ



“Let the sea roar and all that fills it!” – Ps. 96:11

1st Sunday of the Season of Creation
Ocean Sunday
September 4, 2022
9:30 a.m.



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Welcome

We welcome all who are seeking God's love and grace. We welcome all because God welcomes all, regardless of race or culture, sexual orientation, gender identity, or relationship status. We welcome all without regard to addictions, physical or mental health, imprisonment, socio-economic circumstances, or anything that too often divides us. Our unity is in Christ.

For Parents with Children

Good Soil loves kids and the "holy noise" they bring! Your children are warmly welcome in worship. Sing, pray, and respond; your children will learn by worshiping with you. There's also a "playground" area in the back of the sanctuary and a nursery/cry room behind that on the back left side. We pray that worshiping together as a family is a meaningful experience!

For Those Needing Hearing Assistance

Please ask an usher about our hearing assistance devices to enhance your worship experience.

Holy Communion

Christ is truly present with us in worship and through this meal. All are welcome to participate in Holy Communion here at Good Soil. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available upon request.

Key:

Bold Font – Spoken by the Congregation

Regular Font – Spoken by the Pastor or Worship Assistant

† – Please stand as you are able, in body or spirit.

*Please Note: In an effort to protect those who are vulnerable, **masking is strongly recommended**. In addition, the first four rows of pews on the left side of the sanctuary are reserved as a “masking only” section (for those who wish to be in close proximity only with others who are masking).*

**1st Sunday of the Season of Creation
Ocean Sunday**

Today begins "The Season of Creation" -- a time when the global church unites to intentionally reflect on God's presence in creation and our calling to care for it. We give thanks, we pray, we lament, we hope, and we recommit ourselves to healing our relationship with our sacred home. This Sunday is Ocean Sunday! We worship with the oceans of Earth, created by the wisdom of God. We sing with the seven seas and celebrate the wondrous creatures of the watery deep.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude and Welcome

† Call to Worship

In the name of the Spirit of God
who hovered over the primal waters.

In the name of the Word of God
who parted the waters for Earth to appear.

In the name of the Wisdom of God,
who filled the deep with amazing designs.
Amen.

P: On this First Sunday in the Season of Creation, we invite the oceans to worship with us.

C: Deep sea currents and ocean reefs, mountain peaks on the ocean floor.

P: We call the seven seas to celebrate with us.

C: Icebergs that break off from the North Pole, calm waters that caress the equator.

P: We join all ocean life in songs of praise,

C: Whales and dolphins dancing on the surface, and choirs of angel fish gathered below.

P: We summon the seashore to magnify the Lord,

C: The pelican, the stingray, the flamingo, the white caps and waves that splash in praise.

P: Oceans, seas and watery deeps, celebrate with all that lives within you,

C: And roar in praise with us today.

† Invitation to Remembrance

We are now invited to remember together special times at the seashore or on the water that stirred our sense of wonder and helped us connect with our Creator. Take the symbol you received as you entered the sanctuary, hold it in your hand, and share a memory with someone near you.

In the Confession and Forgiveness, we are drawn by God's mercy to prepare to assemble around the Word and Sacrament. It may be seen as a return to the gift of Baptism through repentance.

† Confession and Forgiveness

As we hold our symbols of remembrance and gratitude for the ocean, we confess that we have become alienated from Earth and viewed this planet as disposable, a source of endless resources, a mere stopping place enroute to heaven.

**We have polluted Earth's waters with toxins,
We have harmed millions of species in the ocean.
We have turned our greed into global warming.
We have helped cause arctic regions to melt.
We have devalued human life.
We have loved progress more than the planet.
We are sorry.**

We are sorry. *(Silence for reflection)*

Christ hears our confession, forgives our sins, and teaches us to love the oceans as a precious part of our planet home. We are invited to celebrate and preserve the waters of life in God's sanctuary.

Amen.

Gathering Hymn: Song of the Waters (to the tune of "Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven" ELW 864)

1 Watch once more the windswept storm clouds;
 Suddenly the sky has wings!
 God has come to rain among us,
 Giving hope to all dry things.
 Sing a song of splashing waters,
 Pulsing through the veins of Earth.

2 Taste the moisture of the morning,
 Smoother than the best red wine;
 Toast the lifeblood of the planet:
 Here's to God's great vast design!

Sing a song of flowing waters,
Pulsing through the veins of Earth.

3 View anew the dark blue ocean,
Whales cavorting, spraying foam;
God at play with deep sea monsters,
Feeling very much at home.
Sing a song of laughing waters,
Pulsing through the veins of Earth.

4 Feel the breath of God move softly,
Gentle mists that brush the skin;
Earth is breathing God's own spirit,
Life renewed from deep within.
Sing a song of living waters,
Pulsing through the veins of Earth.

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The presiding minister greets the assembly with the words used by Paul in 2nd Corinthians to greet churches. The assembly also greets the presiding minister in return. It is a moment of mutuality that signifies trust, love, mutual service, and a shared hope in God.

† Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

† Hymn of Praise: For the Good of All Creation (adapted from
“For the Fruit of All Creation” ELW 679 v 1)



1 For the good of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.



Cos - mos spun in swift ro - ta - tion, thanks be to God.



Out of dust God formed each crea - ture, craft - ing ev - 'ry frame and fea - ture



Christ the first born, lov - ing teach - er, thanks be to God.

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The Prayer of the Day highlights themes from the scripture readings we are about to hear.

† Prayer of the Day

God, our Creator, as we reflect on the mysteries of the ocean depths, we celebrate the wondrous design of the seas that surround us. Help us to discern how we have polluted our oceans and to empathize with the groaning of creation. Teach us to know the presence of God in the tides and currents of the seven seas. Teach us to care for the oceans and all our waterways. In the name of the Wisdom of God, the creative force that designs and governs all creation. **Amen.**

The Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading: Job 38:1, 4-11, 16-18

A reading from Job:

¹Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind: ⁴“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. ⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? ⁶On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone ⁷when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy? ⁸“Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?— ⁹when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band, ¹⁰and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors, ¹¹and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped?’ ¹⁶“Have you entered into the springs of the sea, or walked in the recesses of the deep? ¹⁷Have the gates of death been revealed to you, or have you seen the gates of deep darkness? ¹⁸Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth? Declare, if you know all this.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:3-10

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. ⁵He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, ⁶to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. ⁷In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace ⁸that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight ⁹he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, ¹⁰as a plan for the

fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

We welcome the gospel by singing the Gospel Acclamation.

† Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.

Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

The Gospel reading is announced. We rise to our feet, if able, as a sign of respect and anticipation for the Gospel that reveals Jesus Christ to us.

† Gospel Reading: Luke 5:1-11

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, ²he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. ⁴When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.” ⁵Simon answered, “Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.” ⁶When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. ⁷So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they

began to sink. ⁸But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" ⁹For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; ¹⁰and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." ¹¹When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon

Sermon: The Rev. Marissa Harrison

Silence for Reflection

The Hymn of the Day invites the Assembly's participation in the sermon event—it is a response to the proclaimed Word of God.

† **Hymn of the Day: Baptized in Water ELW 456**

- 1 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
cleansed by the blood of Christ our king:
heirs of salvation, trusting his promise,
faithfully now God's praise we sing.
- 2 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
dead in the tomb with Christ our king:
one with his rising, freed and forgiven,
thankfully now God's praise we sing.
- 3 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
marked with the sign of Christ our king:
born of the Spirit, we are God's children;
joyfully now God's praise we sing.

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† Affirmation of Faith

Let us affirm our faith together:

**We believe that God creates all things,
renews all things and celebrates all things.**

**We believe Earth is a sanctuary,
a sacred planet filled with God's presence,
a home for us to share with our kin.**

**We believe that God became flesh and blood,
became a part of Earth,
a human being called Jesus Christ,
who lived and breathed and spoke among us,
suffered and died on a cross,
for all human beings and for all creation.**

**We believe that the risen Jesus
is the Christ at the core of creation
reconciling all things to God,
renewing all creation and filling the universe.**

**We believe the Spirit renews life in creation
groans in empathy with a suffering creation,
and waits with us for the rebirth of creation.**

**We believe that with Christ we will rise
and with Christ we will celebrate a new creation. Amen.**


*As the
church, we
pray for
those in our
community
and around
the world.
The prayers
are also*

† Prayers of Intercession

We thank you, O God, for a wondrous planet home, especially the waters of the ocean. Lord in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

We pray for the well-being of all creatures, especially those who dwell in and around the ocean. Lord in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

<p><i>responsive, emphasizing our participation.</i></p>	<p>We pray for all those in need including Max, Jae, Jeff, Oakley, Andrew, Jamie, Willie, Char, Jen, Rich, Jerry, Marie, Tony, Jeanette, Wardell, Gloria . . . and those whom we lift up in our hearts silently or aloud. Lord in your mercy, receive our prayer.</p> <p>We pray, O Christ, that you would teach us to empathize with Earth:</p> <p>Make our spirits sensitive to the cries of creation, cries for justice from the land, the seas, and the skies.</p> <p>Make our faith sensitive to the groans of the Spirit in creation, groans of longing for a new creation.</p> <p>Make our hearts sensitive to the songs of our kin, songs of celebration from the sea, the forest, and the air.</p> <p>Lord in your mercy, receive our prayer.</p> <p>Gathered together with all of creation in the communion of the Holy Spirit, we offer these and all our prayers to you. Amen.</p>
<p><i>A practice of the ancient church, where we recognize Christ's peace in one another and share it together.</i></p>	<p>† Passing of the Peace</p> <p>The Peace of Christ be with you always, And also with you.</p> <p><i>The people greet one another saying, "Peace" or "Peace be with you" sharing the peace of Christ with one another in a no-touch or low-touch way, such as a wave, peace sign, or elbow bump.</i></p>
<p><i>God entrusts us with everything we have. Our offering is one way</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>The Meal</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.</i></p> <p>Offering</p> <p>God's ministry through Good Soil makes a difference, and your offering makes that possible. Help Good Soil continue making an</p>

<p><i>we give thanks to God and support the ministry of the church.</i></p>	<p>impact by giving at www.goodsoillutheran.org/support or by using this QR code:</p> <p><i>Aim your phone camera at the QR code, but don't take a picture. A link will appear to click on that will take you to Good Soil's support page.</i></p> 
<p><i>The offering is brought forward to the altar to signify our gratitude for God's blessings.</i></p>	<p>† Offering Hymn: All Creatures, Worship God Most High! ELW 835 v 1</p> <p>1 All creatures, worship God most high! Sound ev'ry voice in earth and sky: Alleluia! Alleluia! Sing, brother sun, in splendor bright; sing, sister moon and stars of night: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!</p> <p><small>Text: Francis of Assisi, 1182-1226; tr. composite Text © 1997 Augsburg Fortress.</small></p>
	<p>† Offering Prayer</p> <p>God, our Creator, through your love you have given us these gifts to share. Accept our offerings as an expression of our deep thanks and our concern for all in need, including our fellow creatures on planet Earth. Amen.</p>
	<p>† Great Thanksgiving</p> <p>The Lord be with you. And also with you.</p> <p>Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.</p> <p>Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.</p>

† Sanctus

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . .

. . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

† Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer is Jesus' response to his disciples when they asked him to teach them how to pray.

† Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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 and ever. Amen.**

† Invitation to the Table

Christ invites you to this table.
Come, taste and see.

Communion Hymn: Oceans by Hillsong

1 You call me out upon the waters
The great unknown where feet may fail
And there I find You in the mystery
In oceans deep my faith will stand

Refrain

And I will call upon Your name
And keep my eyes above the waves
When oceans rise
My soul will rest in Your embrace
For I am Yours and You are mine

2 Your grace abounds in deepest waters
Your sov'reign hand will be my guide
Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me
You've never failed and You won't start now *Refrain*

Bridge

Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders
Let me walk upon the waters
Wherever You would call me
Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander
And my faith will be made stronger
In the presence of my Saviour *Refrain*

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	<p>† Post-Communion Table Blessing</p> <p>May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.</p>
<p><i>With the blessing of God, we go out to live as Christ's body in the world.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>The Sending</u> <i>God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.</i></p> <p>† Blessing</p> <p>God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, † one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love. Amen.</p>
	<p>† Sending Hymn: Wade in the Water ELW 459</p> <p><i>Refrain</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Wade in the water, wade in the water, children, wade in the water, God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.</p> <p>1 See that host all dressed in white, God's a-goin'-a trouble the water. the leader looks like the Israelite. God's a-goin'-a trouble the water. <i>Refrain</i></p> <p>2 See that band all dressed in red, God's a-goin'-a trouble the water. looks like the band that Moses led. God's a-goin'-a trouble the water. <i>Refrain</i></p> <p>3 Look over yonder, what do I see?</p>

	<p>God's a-goin'-a trouble the water. the Holy Ghost a-coming on me. God's a-goin'-a trouble the water. <i>Refrain</i></p> <p>Text: African American spiritual</p>
<p><i>The dismissal sends us out into the world as Christ's Body—fed, nourished, and ready to serve. Worship has ended, and our service begins!</i></p>	<p>† Dismissal</p> <p>Go in peace, with Christ beside you. Thanks be to God.</p>
	<p>Postlude</p>

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Today's Worship Servants:

Presiding: The Rev. Marissa Harrison	Reader: Michael Wancata
Ushers: Bill and Darlene Wahl	Counters: Joe Lanter Becky Williamson
Online Usher: Karen Sperli	Acolyte: Sean Lanter



Announcements from Good Soil Sunday, September 4, 2022

For those in need of healing, comfort, or strength: Max Bechtel; Jae, Jeff, and Oakley; Andrew Evatt; Ed Fink; Chris Jacobson; Jamie Lanter; Willie Lee, Char Mattson; Jen Mitterholzer; Rich Petrusky; Jerry and Marie Sternad; Tony Sykaluk; Jeanette Weidlich; Wardell; Gloria

For those celebrating birthdays:

Verna Fink (Sept 7), Louise DeBell (Sept 8)

For those celebrating wedding anniversaries:

Alex and Loxi Verdova (Sept 4)

The flowers adorning the altar today are given to the glory of God by Bill Fink to celebrate his mother, Verna's, 91st birthday.

Kids are invited to bring their favorite stuffed animal to worship on Sunday, Sept 18 as we celebrate Animal Sunday in the Season of Creation.

GOOD SOIL SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS!!

We are looking forward to welcoming the children back to Sunday School and seeing everyone in class.

September 18 - Sunday School Kick-off Picnic for EVERYONE starting immediately after services with games and fellowship. We'll be OUTDOORS (Fellowship Hall in case of rain).

- **Please sign up on the chart on the hallway bulletin board.**
- Hot Dogs, drinks and cake provided
- Bring picnic side dishes and snacks to share

September 25 - First day back!

- Preschool & Primary children head out of the sanctuary after the children's sermon for fun and a brief message, and return as we share the sign of peace
- All Sunday School classes meet after service (approximately 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.)

Good Soil Calendar		
Date	Event	Time
Sun, Sept 4	SEASON OF CREATION BEGINS! Ocean Sunday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-Person and Livestream Worship • Coffee Hour 	 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
Mon, Sept 5	Labor Day – Church Office Closed	
Sun, Sept 11	Season of Creation Storm Sunday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-Person and Livestream Worship • Coffee Hour • God’s Work. Our Hands. Service Project 	 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
Tues, Sept 13	Good Soil Executive Team Meeting	7:30 p.m.
Sun, Sept 18	Season of Creation Animal Sunday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-Person and Livestream Worship • Sunday School Kickoff Picnic 	 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
Tues, Sept 20	Good Soil Council Meeting	7:30 p.m.
Sun, Sept 25	Season of Creation Universe Sunday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In Person and Livestream Worship • Sunday School Resumes! • Coffee Hour 	 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.

