

THEMES FOR WORSHIP IN SEPTEMBER

This month we step away from the "Revised Common Lectionary" to focus on the wonders of God's creation and our calling to be good stewards. Each Sunday this month we will focus our worship on a particular aspect of God's creation. When we look closely at the scriptures, we begin to recognize how closely attuned the ancient world was to the natural environment around them. While we know so much about the world through scientific development, there is much wisdom that has been set aside. In our worship and study, it can be rediscovered and experienced with joy. We return to the regular Lectionary texts in October.

September 4: Job 38:1-18 Luke 5:1-11

13th Sunday after Pentecost Ocean Sunday Communion Sunday

This morning we "dive" into the Season of Creation with Ocean Sunday. The connections between ourselves and God, between ourselves and God's creation in the waters of the ocean depth, are incredible wonders. We dig deep into what could be, and into the crisis of climate change that has, in so many ways, defined our present moment.

September 11: Job 39:1-8, 26-30 Luke 12:22-31

14th Sunday after Pentecost Fauna and Flora Sunday Church School Sunday

The program year begins for our congregation with worship at 8 and 10 am. The children return to Church School and all of us are called to open our eyes and ears to the wisdom of God's creation. If we carefully observe we find that the plants, trees, animals, creeping things, and even the food we eat have wisdom to teach us. We can all offer our praise to God for the ways we learn from the wilds.

September 18: Job 28:20-27 Psalm 29 Luke 8:22-25

15th Sunday after Pentecost Storm Sunday Chancel Choir

How incredibly fortunate we are to have such a talented choir! We welcome them back this morning after their summer vacation. The themes of our worship invite us to consider how our faith empowers us to find our way through the storms of life. God's Spirit is present to us at all times and in all places. We pray we might know God's presence in this time of social and environmental change.

September 25: Proverbs 8:22-31 Psalm 148 John 6:41-51

16th Sunday after Pentecost Cosmos Sunday Family Sunday

On this final Sunday of our Season of Creation we are called to ponder the call of wisdom that is beyond speech and even what our eyes can behold. Today we can find joy and wonder as we rediscover how interconnected God has made us to this world. We hope everyone will come for worship and then join us downstairs for fellowship on this Family Sunday.