

# Pinawa Lutheran Church

A congregation of the ELCIC & The Brokenhead Shared Ministry *Altruism, Stewardship, Faith, Cooperation* 

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Worship Leader: Paul Johnson

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**INTRODUCTION:** On Ash Wednesday the church began its journey toward baptismal immersion in the death and resurrection of Christ. This year, the Sundays in Lent lead us to focus on five covenants God makes in the Hebrew Scriptures and to use them as lenses through which to view baptism. First Peter connects the way God saved Noah's family in the flood with the way God saves us through the water of baptism. The baptismal covenant is made with us individually, but the new life we are given in baptism is for the sake of the whole world.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY: Holy God, heavenly Father, in the waters of the flood you saved the chosen, and in the wilderness of temptation you protected your Son from sin. Renew us in the gift of baptism. May your holy angels be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

# FIRST READING: Genesis 9:8-17

Today's reading is the conclusion to the flood story. Because of human sin, God destroys the earth by flood, saving only Noah, his family, and the animals on the ark. Yet divine destruction gives way to divine commitment. As in the first creation, God blesses humanity and establishes a covenant with all creatures.

<sup>8</sup>God said to Noah and to his sons with him, <sup>9</sup>"As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, <sup>10</sup>and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. <sup>11</sup>I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." <sup>12</sup>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: <sup>13</sup>I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. <sup>14</sup>When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, <sup>15</sup>I 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. <sup>16</sup>When 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." <sup>17</sup>God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

#### **PSALM 25:1-10**

- <sup>1</sup>To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.
- <sup>2</sup>My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 3Let none who look to you be put to shame:
  - rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.
- <sup>4</sup>Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths.
- <sup>5</sup>Lead me in your truth and teach me,
  - for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.
- <sup>6</sup>Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love,
  - for they are from everlasting.
- <sup>7</sup>Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;
  - remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
- <sup>8</sup>You are gracious and upright, O LORD;
  - therefore you teach sinners in your way.
- <sup>9</sup>You lead the lowly in justice and teach the lowly your way.
- <sup>10</sup>All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast love and faithfulness to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.

#### SECOND READING: 1 Peter 3:18-22

As God acted through Christ's suffering and death to bring us to God, so God acts through baptism to save us from a sinful existence. This spiritual cleansing marks our new life in Christ.

<sup>18</sup>Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, <sup>19</sup>in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, <sup>20</sup>who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. <sup>21</sup>And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, <sup>22</sup>who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

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#### GOSPEL: Matthew 24:36-44

[Jesus said to the disciples,] "About that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

#### **SERMON**

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## **OFFERTORY: What Have We to Offer?**

What have we to offer? What have we to share? Coins from the coffer, hearts filled with care. God will not falter; so let us dare lay it at the altar there.

What have we to offer? What have we to bring? Love, ripe with laughter; hope that we can sing; dreams of what we're after; promises of when. Lay it at the altar then.

What have we to offer? What have we to give? Eyes that are wide open; lies that we won't live; truth that must be spoken; justice somehow. Lay it at the altar now.

What have we to offer? What have we to give? Lives ...... we will live.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS DISMISSAL

BIBLE STUDY: 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month. All are welcome.

**IRONWOOD WORSHIP:** 4th Sunday of each month.

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