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Our Mission Statement:

**"Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name;
make known among the nations what he has done."**

Psalm 105:1

Credo: Creatio Ex Niliho

This month as we continue to look at the Creed in our monthly Newsletter, we come to the First Article. It talks about two distinct but connected items. First, about God the Father who is in heaven who is the Almighty God over all of creation. Second, it talks about God creating everything.

The first point we talked some about last month as we talked about the Trinity. This month we want to spend our time talking about creation and the reason is the world believes it has the answer to how the world and the universe came into existence.

The world's understanding of who the world and the universe came into being out of a random act of the universe itself. This can be the big bang theory in which there was a giant explosion that started the universe spreading and helped to propel all celestial objects into their current place. This big bang also gave the heat and energy required to start many of the processes required for evolution. The problem is if the big bang is the beginning of all time and matter where did the matter come to explode?

Another theory for the formation of the universe is the expanding and contracting universe theory. Simply the universe starts to expand and continues till it reaches its maximum size and then contracts and till it destroys everything and starts the cycle over. The problem with this theory is there is no explanation of the origins of the universe. And I am not sure that would be a problem for people who hold to this theory.

We could continue to find many different theories of creation. The one commonality they all share is they eliminate the need for God to be the creator of the universe and the world. God is no longer the creator of man and Lord of Creation. It frees the people from having to listen to God or being accountable to God for their sins.

What we confess in the Apostle's Creed and the Nicene Creed is God the Father is the creator of the world and everything in it. Everything visible and invisible. As the title of this article suggests we use the Latin term Creatio Ex Niliho or translated meaning created out of nothing. God did not start with material already present and then shape it into what God wanted.

This is the way creation makes, creates, and invents. When the true God who was before creation goes about creating, He starts with nothing and then He speaks.

God speaks all of creation into being. Showing the power of God's Word to carry out what it says. We hear all of this in Genesis 1:1 where it says, **"In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."** After everything is created God creates man out of the dust of the earth and breaths life into Adam giving Adam and Eve (who is taken from the side of Adam) a soul. When Adam and Eve are given a soul, they are set aside as the crown of God's creation and given to take care of all of God's creation.

A moment on the creation of woman and the Biblical view of women. Adam is filled with joy when God gives Eve to Adam as his suitable helper. Only Eve could fill this role as Genesis reveals to us when all of creation is paraded before Adam and nothing is found to be this suitable helper. This marks the beginning of a high view of women in the Bible. We will save going into greater detail for a different newsletter article on this topic.

Your Servant in Christ
Pastor Welton



It's About Time

So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom. Return, O LORD! How long? Have pity on Your servants! Satisfy us in the morning with Your steadfast love, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days. Make us glad for as many days as You have afflicted us, and for as many years as we have seen evil. Let Your work be shown to Your servants, and Your glorious power to their children. Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands upon us; yes, establish the work of our hands!
~ Psalm 90:12-17

I've been thinking about time quite a bit the past few weeks. Thinking back, I've thought about last May when we were selling our house and planning our big move to Indiana, and I've thought about all the years leading up to the decision to come here. Thinking ahead, I can't help but think that one short year from now we'll be getting ready to head out on vicarage, and God willing, in just three years I'll have my degree and my first official call. Like so many others, I would say the past year has gone too quickly, and yet it's hard to believe it's only been one year. The past 12 months have been packed with new people, new knowledge, and new experiences. It's been simultaneously tough and terrific, and I already know we're going to be sad when we all have to go our separate ways again.

The most exciting part of the last quarter for me has been starting to think less as a student only and more as a pastor. This is partly because of added responsibilities at church – leading more of the liturgy, preaching, and jumping in to help with unexpected needs – and partly because of my pastoral theology class which really challenged my thinking on some difficult issues. I'm slated to preach at least four more times this summer and will teach an adult class on catechesis later this year at Zion.

Of course, it hasn't been all work. There were plenty of fun events this quarter as well, including: a seminary BBQ on April 5; an egg hunt and meal with friends on Easter; a celebration of learning for Classical Conversations on April 20; opening zoo day on April 28; Trail Life camping at Pokagon State Park on April 29-30; an adults-only church gathering on May 1; time for Pamela with seminary wives and time for me with first-year students on May 7; and a trip to South Dakota for a graduation (I had to stay in Indiana for finals week) May 13-17.

There's no denying we're all looking forward to the break. We'll be visiting family, friends, and supporters in South Dakota, but most of our summer will be spent in Fort Wayne hanging out with seminary friends and visiting some new sites on our checklist. It's hard to say who's most excited about me not taking classes for a while – Pamela, the boys, or me. That's not to say it's going to be all rest and relaxation. Besides sermon preparation, I'm going to brush up on my languages and revisit some texts from the year.

This is a great time for us to thank again all our supporters who have helped us get through this first year. Our hearts are filled with gratitude every time we receive a card or donation. Thank you, truly.



Recognition Sunday
St. Peters Fellowship Hall
June 5, 2022 ~ 10:30 AM

Recognizing our members from May 2021 – May 2022

A LIGHT BRUNCH WILL BE SERVED.

Baptisms: Kylin David Kooiker ~ August 8, 2021
Lane Daniel Gehrels ~ September 26, 2021
Rory Josephine Milbrandt ~ October 31, 2021
Hazel Collete Foster ~ November 14, 2021

Transfers: Brandon & Sawyer Fedeler; Remington, Mandie, Colten, and Ruger Miller;
Brad & Tarri Minor; Jessica Foster

Adult Confirmands: Marty & Billie Lusk ~ August 22, 2021
AnnaLee Fedeler ~ December 5, 2021

Junior Confirmands: Grace Feige ~April 24, 2022
Gavin Schneider ~April 24, 2022
CeCe Gibney ~April 24, 2022
Aedan Klawonn ~April 24, 2022
Rylie Lusk ~April 24, 2022

High School Graduates:
Mackenzie Hemmer ~ Colman/Egan High School ~ May 8, 2022
Emma Eppe ~ Rutland High School ~ May 14, 2022
Kenneth Lindholm ~ Rutland High School ~ May 14, 2022
Rayden Lindholm ~ Chester High School ~ May 14, 2022

Wedding:
Brandon & AnnaLee Fedeler ~ October 16, 2021

Diaper Derby



Between Mother's Day and Father's Day, we invite you to gather donations of diapers and personal care items for the most vulnerable in our community.

**Donations can be delivered
directly to Option 1
or the Thrivent office in Brookings.**

For more information or questions please call
Michele Smith @ 605-692-6643 or email
michele.smith@thrivent.com

We thank you for your support of life issues:

Lutherans for Life Dakota District Chapter:

**Cindy Buchholtz -
secretary**

**Erich Olson -
Diaper Derby Chairman**





We are still looking for helpers to sign up for VBS. If you are willing to help in any way, please let the Board of Education know.

Loren Lindholm, Scott Feige, or Jason Fischer

VBS Theme is:

FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

love,
joy,
peace,
patience,
kindness,
goodness,
faithfulness,
gentleness,
and self-control



VBS Student registration Preschool – 6th grade is on the round table at the entrance of the Fellowship Hall. Please invite your family, friends, neighbors, everyone is invited to join us.

St. Peter's is currently looking for members to fill the following positions.



The 2022-2023 Sunday

around the corner.

School year is just

Please prayerfully consider being a teacher, substitute teacher, or helper.

**Contact your Board of Education
Loren Lindholm, Scott Feige, or Jason Fischer**



We are looking for volunteers to take care of the church library. If interested or if you have questions, please contact Pastor Welton or the Board of Elders.

Mike Tammen, Mark Limmer, Kory Reck or Terry Reck.

JUNE WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Gaylen & Shirley	Backus	Jun 2, 1973
Leon & Melissa	Gerry	Jun 3, 1995
Tom & Deb	Graff	Jun 3, 1970
Jason & Meredith	Fischer	Jun 5, 2004
Brant & Amanda	Klawonn	Jun 5, 2010
Les & Virginia	Heidelberger II	Jun 10, 1967
Tom & Arla	Baumberger	Jun 24, 1972
Shawn & Jill	Martin	Jun 30, 1984



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Barbara	Crawford	Jun 3, 1950
Viola	Sorenson	Jun 4, 1937
Lori	Hansen	Jun 6, 1958
Jacob	Heidelberger	Jun 6, 2009
Doris	Limmer	Jun 6, 1932
Kash	Gehrels	Jun 8, 2016
Alex	Tammen	Jun 9, 2000
Carolyn	Lindholm	Jun 10, 1949
Jackson	Mendel	Jun 10, 1992
Shirley	Backus	Jun 15, 1954
Remington	Miller	Jun 15, 1992
Natalie	Feige	Jun 16, 2010
Chloe	Schneider	Jun 17, 2005

Gina	DeGroot	Jun 18, 1971
June	Olson	Jun 18, 1944
Gavin	Schneider	Jun 18, 2007
Korbin	Tweet	Jun 19, 2017
Dale	Dorow	Jun 20, 1942
Dakota	Alfson	Jun 23, 2000
Brad	Minor	Jun 25, 1956
Scott	Feige	Jun 27, 1985
Helen	Lease	Jun 30, 1940
Marty	Lusk	Jun 30, 1972

JUNE BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

Mark	Limmer	Jun 2, 1968
Carol	Feldmann	Jun 3, 1951
Melissa	Gerry	Jun 3, 1973
Lisa	Lindholm	Jun 5, 1988
Maddox	Maas	Jun 10, 2012
Greg	Teal	Jun 10, 1962
Kory	Reck	Jun 12, 1977
Les	Heidelberger III	Jun 14, 1970
Kash	Gehrels	Jun 19, 2016
Doris	Limmer	Jun 19, 1932
Amy	Hemmer	Jun 20, 1982
Clayton	Klawonn	Jun 24, 2017
Gavin	Schneider	Jun 24, 2007
Barbara	Crawford	Jun 25, 1950

Alex	Tammen	Jun 25, 2000
Korbin	Tweet	Jun 25, 2017
Julie	Gehrels	Jun 26, 1960
Chloe	Schneider	Jun 26, 2005
Natalie	Feige	Jun 27, 2010
Viola	Sorenson	Jun 27, 1937



**TO READ THE BIBLE IN ONE YEAR:
SUGGESTED BIBLE READINGS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE**

DATE	FIRST READING	SECOND READING
June 1	Isaiah 12:1-6	Acts 15-16
June 2	Psalms 150	Acts 17-18
June 3	Psalms 1	Acts 19-20
June 4	Psalms 2	Acts 21-22
June 5	Psalms 3	Acts 23-24
June 6	Psalms 4	Acts 25-26
June 7	Psalms 5	Acts 27-28
June 8	Psalms 6	Joshua 1-5
June 9	Psalms 7	Joshua 6-8
June 10	Psalms 8	Joshua 9-11
June 11	Psalms 9	Joshua 12-16
June 12	Psalms 10	Joshua 17-21
June 13	Psalms 11	Joshua 22-24
June 14	Psalms 12	Judges 1-3
June 15	Psalms 13	Judges 4-6
June 16	Psalms 14	Judges 7-9
June 17	Psalms 15	Judges 10-12
June 18	Psalms 16	Judges 13-15
June 19	Psalms 17	Judges 16-18
June 20	Psalms 18	Judges 19-21
June 21	Psalms 19	Ruth
June 22	Psalms 20	1 Samuel 1-3
June 23	Psalms 21	1 Samuel 4-6
June 24	Psalms 22	1 Samuel 7-9
June 25	Psalms 23	1 Samuel 10-12
June 26	Psalms 24	1 Samuel 13-15
June 27	Psalms 25	1 Samuel 16-18

June 28	Psalms 26	1 Samuel 19-21
June 29	Psalms 27	1 Samuel 22-24
June 30	Isaiah 12:1-6	1 Samuel 25-27

JUNE 2022

Altar Guild: Kayla Welton ~ Danielle Gehrels ~ Mandie Miller

THURSDAY	SUNDAY FRIDAY	SATURDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	
			1	2	3 Secretary Out of Office	4
	5 Sunday, June 5 -9:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion Acolyte: Makenzie Cacho Greeters: Katie & Dave Hantz Family Organist: Shirley Backus RECOGNITION SUNDAY FOLLOWING SERVICE	6 Secretary Out of Office	7	8 7:00 pm Elders Meeting	9	10 11
	12 Sunday June 12 -9:00 am Worship Acolyte: Jeremiah DeGroot Greeters: Les Heidelberger III; Isaac Heidelberger Organist: Peggy George Bible Study following service Bible Study following service	13 7:00 pm Altar Guild	14	15	16	17 18
	19 FATHER'S DAY Sunday, June 19 -9:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion Acolyte: Abigail Eppe Greeters: Tye Heidelberger Family; Virginia Heidelberger Organist: Shirley Backus Bible Study following service DIAPER DERBY ENDS TODAY!!!	20 NEWS LETTER DEAD LINE	21	22	23	24 Secretary Out of Office 25
	26 Sunday, June 26 -9:00 am Worship Acolyte: Natalie Feige Greeters: Drew & Amy Hemmer Family; Jake Hemmer Organist: Peggy George Bible Study following service	27	28	29	30	