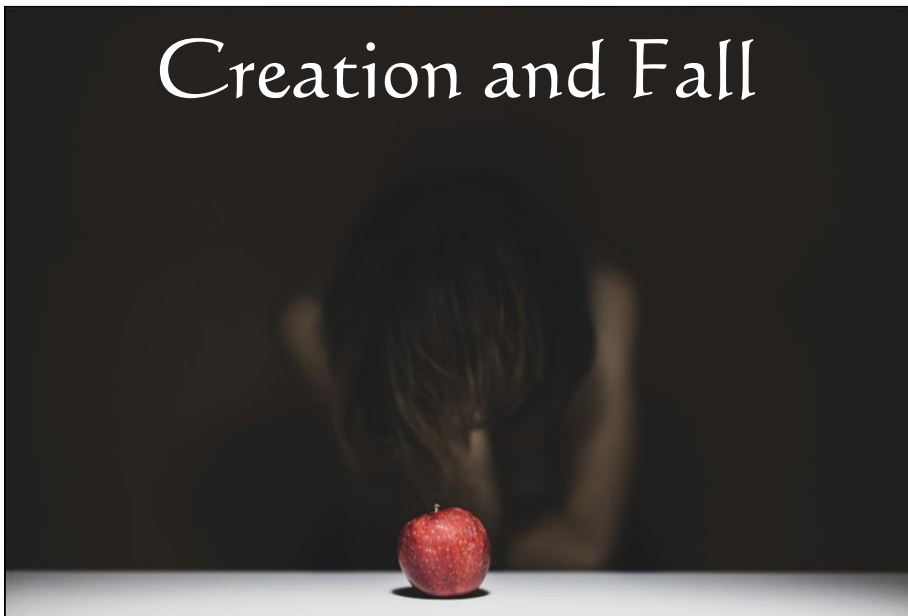


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**Sermon Series on the Book of Genesis**  
**Week 1**

**September 13, 2020**



# Creation and Fall

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- **Prelude “Peace Like A River; When the Lord Saved Me;  
It Took A Miracle; The Savior is Waiting;  
Thank You, Lord”** **Roxanne Groff**

- **Office of the Acolyte and Ringing of the Bell**

- **Welcome** **Pr Mel**

- \* **HYMN OF PRAISE “For the Beauty of the Earth”**



1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,  
 2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,  
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,  
 4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,  
 5 For your - self, best gift di - vine to the world so free - ly giv'n;



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:  
 hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:  
 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:  
 friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:  
 a - gent of God's grand de - sign, peace on earth and joy in heav'n:



Christ, our Lord, to you we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

- \* **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

P: We confess our sins before God and one another.

*Pause for silence and reflection.*

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P: God of all ages,

**C: You have chosen us as your own, yet we so often live as if it were not so. We succumb to things which are not good for us. We believe we know better than you. We refuse to put our trust in your promises. Sweep away our foolishness and bring us back into a trusting relationship with the one who has lovingly created us and longs to be our strength and life.**

P: Dear people, hear the joyful words that God has forgiven us! Our misdeeds and folly are forgotten; grace and mercy abound. Let us give thanks that we have a compassionate creator!

**All: Amen.**

**\* GREETING**

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

**C: And also with you.**

**\* PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Merciful God, You created people not as subjects to rule, but as partners in tending and enjoying this bountiful earth. Help us release our shame and guilt over what we have done wrong, accepting instead your mercy and forgiveness offered through Jesus Christ our Lord,

**C: Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE READING**

**Genesis 2:4b-7, 15-17; 3:1-8**

P: Our scripture reading for this morning is from Genesis, Chapter 2.

**C: Glory to you O Lord.**

<sup>4</sup>These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created. In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, <sup>5</sup>when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up—for

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the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; <sup>6</sup>but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground— <sup>7</sup>then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being.

<sup>15</sup>The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. <sup>16</sup>And the Lord God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; <sup>17</sup>but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.”

3 Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?’” <sup>2</sup>The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; <sup>3</sup>but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’” <sup>4</sup>But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die; <sup>5</sup>for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”

<sup>6</sup>So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup>Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves. <sup>8</sup>They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ** (*Spoken*)

- **SERMON**

**Pr Mel Musser**

*Silence for reflection may follow.*

**\* APOSTLES' CREED**

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by  
the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered  
under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended  
into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and  
is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the  
living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of  
saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life  
everlasting. Amen.**

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➤ *Or, He descended to the dead.*

**\* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

P: We pray for the church, the world, and all those in need...

*A brief silence.*

*Each petition will end with the words:*

L: God of compassion,

*The congregation will respond with:*

**C: Hear our prayer.**

*The prayer concludes:*

L: Receive our prayers and all those which we offer in silence, for the sake of our  
savior Jesus Christ,

**C: Amen.**

\* **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

*(The Sharing of the Peace that began when the congregation arrived is now shared with the Pastor at this time...)*

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

• **OFFERING**

\* **OFFERING PRAYER**

P: You have freely given everything to us, O Lord. Teach us to be good stewards of all your gifts, and accept these offerings we now present as tokens of our gratitude and reflections of your generosity to all people, for the sake of Christ,

C: **Amen.**

\* **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

P: Jesus is the “tie that Binds us together”, let us pray as Jesus taught...

C: **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.**

• **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\* **SENDING BLESSING**

P: Mothering God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life.

C: **Amen.**

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\* **SENDING HYMN**      **“Earth and All Stars” - Verses 1,2,5, & 6**



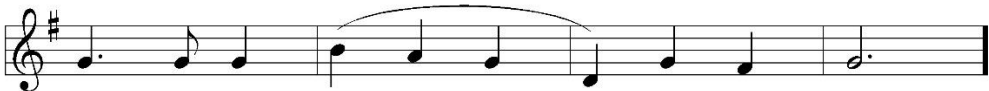
1	Earth and	all	stars!	Loud	rush - ing	plan - ets!
2	Hail, wind,	and	rain!	Loud	blow - ing	snow - storm!
3	Trum - pet	and	pipes!	Loud	clash - ing	cym - bals!
4	En - gines	and	steel!	Loud	pound - ing	ham - mers!



Sing to the Lord a new song!



Oh, vic - to - ry!	Loud	shout - ing	ar - my!
Flow - ers and trees!	Loud	rus - tling	dry leaves!
Harp, lute, and lyre!	Loud	hum - ming	cel - los!
Lime-stone and beams!	Loud	build - ing	work - ers!



Sing to the Lord a new song!



He has done mar - vel - ous things.



I too will praise him with a new song!

5 Classrooms and labs!  
 Loud boiling test tubes!  
 Sing to the Lord a new song!  
 Athlete and band!  
 Loud cheering people!  
 Sing to the Lord a new song! *Refrain*

6 Knowledge and truth!  
 Loud sounding wisdom!  
 Sing to the Lord a new song!  
 Daughter and son!  
 Loud praying members!  
 Sing to the Lord a new song! *Refrain*

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**\* DISMISSAL**

**P:** Depart in Christ’s Love.

**C:** Seeking, welcoming, and serving all. Amen!

**Postlude**

**“The Family of God”**

**Roxanne Groff**

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If you are near the Church on Sunday morning, you can tune in to FM 88.3 at 10:30 AM and hear the sermon from your car.

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*This Week @ Trinity – September 13 thru September 20, 2020*

**Sun, September 13**

10:30 am    Worship Service  
7:30 pm     Confirmation Class on ZOOM

**Wed, September 16**

9:30 am    GRCC Soup Kitchen  
6:00 pm    Finance Team Meeting  
7:00 pm    Trinity Council Meeting

**Fri, September 18**

3:30 pm    FISH Pantry @ 400 Markwith, Greenville OH

**Sun, September 20**

10:30 am    Worship Service  
7:30 pm     Confirmation Class on ZOOM



Scripture readings for next Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup>  
Genesis 15:1-6

**Health Tips for the Week**

**BODY:** Put a first aid box together

**MIND:** Take a first aid class

**SPIRIT:** Pray for first responders

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## **NEEDED FOR LWR PERSONAL CARE KITS:**

- Bath size bars of soap (8-9 oz.) in original wrapping
- Dark color bath towels between 20” X 40” and 27” X 52”.

**LWR KIT ASSEMBLY DATE** will be Monday, September 28 between 9 am and 12 noon.

**DEADLINE FOR ITEMS FOR THE OCTOBER TRINITY TRUMPET** is Tuesday, September 22.

**COMMUNITY PRAYER WALK** – A Community Prayer Gathering and Walk will take place September 26 from noon to 2:00 pm in Arcanum. The event will begin at Veterans Park on George Street. People of all faiths are invited to come together to pray for our families, our schools and our nation. Small groups will form to walk separately in different areas of the Village. Those choosing not to walk may stay to pray and listen to Christian music in Veterans Park. Those using licensed golf carts, motorized scooters and 3-wheel bikes are encouraged to join in this community prayer. Contact Marge Warner if you would like to participate.

“**THE RETURN**”, a National and Global Day of Prayer, will be held Saturday, September 26 starting at noon in downtown Greenville. The event was organized in Washington DC but is for national repentance and revival and will include worship, prayer, gospel music and special singing. For more information on this national event, go to <https://thereturn.org>.

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## We're making School Kits for Lutheran World Relief!

If you don't feel like doing the shopping, Linda Baker says she loves to shop (and Tony affirms how much she loves it 😊). Linda has offered and will be happy to accept any donations. She will purchase what is most needed to make the maximum number of school kits with what donations she receives. If you're like Linda and love to shop, here's the list that goes into a kit:

- 1 - Sturdy drawstring backpack style cloth bag— approximately 14" X 17", w/shoulder straps (handmade)
- 1 - Ruler—30 cm on one side (May have inches on the other side.)
- 1 - Box of Crayons (16 or 24)
- 5 - Unsharpened Pencils w/Erasers
- 1 - Pencil Sharpener
- 1 - 2 1/2" Eraser
- 1 - Pair Blunt Scissors
- 5 - Blue or Black Ball point Pens (No GEL pens)
- 4 - 70 Sheet College or Wide ruled Notebooks



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