

Worship Service ~ August 13, 2023, 9:00 11th Sunday after Pentecost

VISION: Be the body of Christ:

welcoming all, inspired by God, and sent out to live our Faith.

MISSION: Led by the Spirit to share God's grace.

Today's Worship Broadcast is sponsored by John & Beth Decker,
in memory of Beth's dad Bruce Nelson.

PRELUDE Variations on *Melita/Navy Hymn* ELW #756
by Michael Joseph; Alan Ball, organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

C: And also with you.

OPENING HYMN ELW #821 *SHOUT TO THE LORD*

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like you.

All of my days I want to praise the wonder of your mighty love.

My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength;

let ev'ry breath, all that I am never cease to worship you.

Shout to the Lord, all the earth; let us sing

power and majesty, praise to the King.

Mountains bow down and the seas will roar

at the sound of your name. I sing for joy at the work of your hands;

forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand.

Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.

INVOCATION

L: In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors. *Silence is kept for reflection.*

L: Merciful God,

C: we confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.

L: God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of ✠ Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

KYRIE

HYMN OF PRAISE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray. O God our Defender,

C: storms rage around and within us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us in the faith of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRAYER LAB

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SPECIAL MUSIC *"There's Nothing that our God Can't Do"*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Nothing in all creation can separate us from the love of God.
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R: A Gospel reading from the 14th chapter of Matthew.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Matthew 14:22-33

²²[Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side [of the Sea of Galilee], while he dismissed the crowds.²³ And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone,²⁴ but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them.²⁵ And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea.²⁶ But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear.²⁷ But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

²⁸Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water."²⁹ He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus.³⁰ But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!"³¹ Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?"³² When they got into the boat, the wind ceased.³³ And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

R: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

MESSAGE Deacon Nina Joygaard

SONG OF THE DAY ELW #756 *ETERNAL FATHER, STRONG TO
SAVE* stz 1, 2, 3

Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm has bound the restless wave, who bade the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep: oh, hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Savior, whose almighty word the winds and waves submissive heard, who walked upon the foaming deep, and calm amid the storm didst sleep: oh, hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Holy Spirit, who didst brood upon the chaos dark and rude, and bid its angry tumult cease, and give, for wild confusion, peace: oh, hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.



MUSICAL OFFERING *“You Are My Hiding Place”*
by Michael Ledner; Summer Choir

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: Let us pray. God of field and forest,

C: sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

L: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

HOLY COMMUNION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD’S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION *You are invited to come forward at the direction of the ushers to receive communion. Following, please join us for the closing song and dismissal.*

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

BLESSING

L: The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING SONG *AMAZING GRACE MY CHAINS ARE GONE*

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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