

*We Warmly Welcome You to*



*Milton Lutheran Parish*

Serving God through faith formation, worship,  
service, evangelism, and fellowship.

June 20, 2021

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Traditional Service

In Person & LIVE Streamed from the Sanctuary at Trinity Lutheran at 9:30 a.m.  
on the Milton Lutheran Parish YouTube Channel

Visit <https://miltonlutheranparish.faith/> to link to the LIVE worship

*Thank you for being here. Whether this is your first time here, or you have been with us for a while,  
please know this . . . we are glad you have chosen to worship with us.*

*(Bold italic items to be spoken)*

**Please enjoy the beauty of the flowers in the sanctuary, so generously shared with us this week by the Klees family. In loving remembrance of Jack Klees. May their beauty grant you serenity and remind you of joyful times spent with friends and family.**

**Gathering Music**

**John Warfel**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Pastor Gary Schaeffer**

**Prayer Concerns**

**God Moments**



## Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor Gary Schaeffer

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
the God of manna,  
the God of miracles,  
the God of mercy.

*Amen.*

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,  
let us confess our sin.

God, our provider,  
*help us.*

*It is hard to believe there is enough to share.*

*We question your ways when they differ from the ways  
of the world in which we live.*

*We turn to our own understanding  
rather than trusting in you.*

*We take offense at your teachings and your ways.*

*Turn us again to you.*

*Where else can we turn?*

*Share with us the words of eternal life  
and feed us for life in the world.*

*Amen.*

Beloved people of God:

in Jesus, the manna from heaven,  
you are fed and nourished.

By Jesus, the worker of miracles,  
there is always more than enough.

Through Jesus, ✝ the bread of life,  
you are shown God's mercy:

you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

*Amen.*

**Opening Hymn: Eternal Father, Strong to Save (ELW 756)** Please sing the 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> verse.

John Warfel





1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm has bound the  
2 O Sav - ior, whose al - might - y word the winds and waves sub -  
3 O Ho - ly Spir - it, who didst brood up - on the cha - os  
4 O Trin - i - ty of love and pow'r, all trav - 'lers guard in



rest - less wave, who bade the might - y o - cean deep its  
mis - sive heard, who walked up - on the foam - ing deep, and  
dark and rude, and bid its an - gry tu - mult cease, and  
dan - ger's hour from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -



own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: oh, hear us when we  
calm a - mid the storm didst sleep: oh, hear us when we  
give, for wild con - fu - sion, peace: oh, hear us when we  
tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall



cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
rise to thee glad hymns and praise from land and sea.

Text: William Whiting, 1825-1878, alt.  
Music: MELITA, John B. Dykes, 1823-1876



## Greeting

Pastor Gary Schaeffer

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

*And also with you.*

## Prayer of the Day

O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine, and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## First Reading: Job 38:1-11

Karen Fry

<sup>1</sup>The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind:

<sup>2</sup>"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

<sup>3</sup>Gird up your loins like a man,

I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

<sup>4</sup>"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

<sup>5</sup>Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

<sup>6</sup>On what were its bases sunk,

or who laid its cornerstone

<sup>7</sup>when the morning stars sang together

and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

<sup>8</sup>"Or who shut in the sea with doors  
when it burst out from the womb?—

<sup>9</sup>when I made the clouds its garment,  
and thick darkness its swaddling band,

<sup>10</sup>and prescribed bounds for it,  
and set bars and doors,

<sup>11</sup>and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther,  
and here shall your proud waves be stopped?'"



## Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32 (Read Responsively)

Karen Fry

<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good,  
for God's mercy endures forever.

<sup>2</sup>*Let the redeemed of the LORD proclaim  
that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,*

<sup>3</sup>gathering them in from the lands;  
from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

<sup>23</sup>*Some went down to the sea in ships,  
plying their trade in deep waters.*

<sup>24</sup>They beheld the works of the LORD,  
God's wonderful works in the deep.

<sup>25</sup>*Then God spoke, and a stormy wind arose,  
which tossed high the waves of the sea.*

<sup>26</sup>They mounted up to the heavens and descended to the depths;  
their souls melted away in their peril.

<sup>27</sup>They staggered and reeled like drunkards,  
and all their skill was of no avail.

<sup>28</sup>Then in their trouble they cried to the LORD,  
and you delivered them from their distress.

<sup>29</sup>*You stilled the storm to a whisper  
and silenced the waves of the sea.*

<sup>30</sup>Then were they glad when it grew calm,  
when you guided them to the harbor they desired.

<sup>31</sup>*Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your steadfast love  
and your wonderful works for all people.*

<sup>32</sup>Let them exalt you in the assembly of the people;  
in the council of the elders, let them sing hallelujah!

## Gospel Mark 4:35-41

Pastor Gary Schaeffer

<sup>35</sup>When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] "Let us go across to the other side." <sup>36</sup>And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. <sup>37</sup>A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. <sup>38</sup>But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" <sup>39</sup>He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. <sup>40</sup>He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" <sup>41</sup>And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

## Sermon "God in the Storm"

Pastor Gary Schaeffer



Hymn of The Day: Jesus Savior, Pilot Me (ELW 755) Please sing the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> verse

John Warfel



1 Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me o - ver  
2 As a moth - er stills her child, thou canst  
3 When at last I near the shore, and the



life's tem - pes - tuous sea; un - known waves be - fore me  
hush the o - cean wild; bois - t'rous waves o - bey thy  
fear - ful break - ers roar twixt me and the peace - ful



roll, hid - ing rock and treach - 'rous shoal; chart and  
will when thou say'st to them: "Be still." Won - drous  
rest, then, while lean - ing on thy breast, may I



com - pass come from thee. Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.  
sov - 'reign of the sea, Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.  
hear thee say to me: "Fear not, I will pi - lot thee."

Text: Edward Hopper, 1818-1888

Music: PILOT, John Edgar Gould, 1822-1875



## **Apostles Creed**

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.*

*I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.\*  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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.*

## **Prayers of Intercession**

Karen Fry

Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

Holy God, you gather your people from east and west, north, and south. We pray for the mission of the church throughout the world, that your steadfast love may be made known to all peoples. Lord, in your mercy,  
*hear our prayer.*

You laid the foundations of the earth and the waters are the womb of creation. The morning stars sing your name and all creation shouts for joy. We pray for your blessed creation, that it may continue to flourish and magnify your glory. Lord, in your mercy,  
*hear our prayer.*

You keep watch over all nations. We pray for countries experiencing violence, hunger, and unrest. Guide worldwide and local community organizations in their efforts to establish safety and justice. Lord, in your mercy,  
*hear our prayer.*

You are close to the brokenhearted and near to those in distress. We pray for those who are experiencing oppression. Liberate us from the systems and chains that bind us. Remove the barriers that separate us from one another. Lord, in your mercy,  
*hear our prayer.*



You dwell with us in this faith community. We pray for our leaders and elders. Grant them knowledge, patience, and kindness, that through their leadership you may be exalted in this assembly. Lord, in your mercy,

*hear our prayer.*

Your love endures in all situations. On this Father's Day, we pray for those who are fathers or wish to be fathers, for those with broken or strained relationships, for those who are missing their fathers, and for fathers who have lost children. Bless and strengthen them. Lord, in your mercy,

*hear our prayer.*

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.

*Amen.*

## **Great Thanksgiving**

Pastor Gary Schaeffer

The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

Lift your hearts.

*We lift them to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God.

The universe declares your praise:  
beyond the stars; beneath the sea;  
within each cell; with every breath.

*We praise you, O God.*

Generations bless your faithfulness:  
through the water; by night and day;  
across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.

*We bless you, O God.*

We give you thanks for your dear Son:  
at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer;  
beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.

*We thank you, O God.*

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,



shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end,  
we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Christ has died.*

*Christ is risen.*

*Christ will come again.*

We pray for the gift of your Spirit:

in our gathering; within this meal;

among your people; throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus,  
by your Spirit, in your church, without end.

*Amen.*

### **Lord's Prayer**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

*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.*

### **Communion Song**

#### **Communion**

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

### **Communion Song**

#### **Communion Prayer**

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

*Amen.*

#### **Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace.

Amen.



**Sending Hymn: My Life Flows On in Endless Song (ELW 763)** Please sing the 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> verse.

John Warfel



1 My life flows on in end-less song; a-bove earth's lam-en-ta-tion,  
2 Through all the tu-mult and the strife, I hear that mu-sic ring-ing.  
3 What though my joys and com-forts die? The Lord my Sav-ior liv-eth.  
4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun-tain ev-er spring-ing!



I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre-a-tion.  
It finds an ech-o in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing?  
What though the dark-ness gath-er round? Songs in the night he giv-eth.  
All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing-ing?

*Refrain*



No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing.



Since Christ is Lord of heav-en and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826-1899

Music: HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING, Robert Lowry, alt.



## Dismissal

Go in peace. Share the good news.

*Thanks be to God.*

## Postlude

John Warfel

## Questions for Reflection

1. When have you seen great strength, like David's, arise from a humble source? (1 Sam 17:1a, 4-11, 19-23)
2. Where do you find strength to endure hardship? What are your weapons of righteousness? (2 Cor 6:1-13)
3. What storms rage around you? How do you maintain trust in God's ultimate power? (Mark 4:35-41)

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## Inspirations

Dear Friends,

Welcome to Worship. Thank you for joining us today. Whether you've worshipped with us before or this is your first time, we want you to know that you are welcome. As Christians we recognize that each of us comes to worship just as we are. God loves us and so we love others, no expectations, no judgement, only acceptance, grace, and love.

As a community we have certain traditions in how we worship. You are invited to join with us in those traditions. Please know that there is no pressure and that you can worship in whatever way feels most comfortable to you.

There are times during the service that you will be invited to stand or sit as a way of engaging our whole selves in worship. If you are worshipping online, we invite you to sit or stand from wherever you may be. You will also be invited to join us as we sing our hymns out of the Evangelical Lutheran Worship (Red Book- ELW) or With One Voice (Blue Book- WOV). If you are joining us online the songs will be made available to you in this bulletin. You may also participate by speaking the parts of the service that are ***Bold Italicized***.

Offering- Everyone is invited to give an offering before or after worship. There are baskets located at the rear of the sanctuary for you to place your offering. If you are worshipping online, you are welcome to send your offering directly to our parish office at 100 Mahoning St. Milton, PA. All of the offerings we receive are used to accomplish the mission of our parish. Please know that you are in no way obligated to give financially. If you are not in a place to give, please know that we are just glad that you chose to worship with us.



Communion- We do receive communion each week as a community. If you are joining us in person, you will receive a communion kit when you arrive. Inside the kit is a wafer and a container of wine. When it comes time for communion, you'll be asked to open the containers and receive the bread and wine. If you are joining us online you may use your own bread, wine and/or grape juice for communion. If you do not have wine or grape juice you can receive communion with just the bread. We believe communion to be the ultimate expression of God's love and forgiveness in our lives. Anyone that desires to feel that love and forgiveness is encouraged to receive communion, without exceptions.

Kids in Worship- We encourage children to join us in worship and participate as best as they can. We believe that all sound and movements are precious to God, especially those that come from our youngest participants. If your child needs to stretch their legs or their vocals, they are welcome to do that in our worship space. If you would rather have them participate somewhere where they have some more freedom, then we encourage you to take them in the chapel located in the back of the sanctuary. Regardless of your decision, please know that they are welcome here!

Thank you again for joining us today. We pray that this worship sends you out into the world energized to share God's love with everyone you meet!

Many Blessings,

Gary Schaeffer, Pastor

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## *News and Announcements from the Parish*

**Update on Mask Wearing Policy** - The Parish Council has decided, starting this Sunday June 20<sup>th</sup>, that wearing masks during worship will be optional for fully vaccinated people. Those that are still not vaccinated are required to wear their masks at all times while in the building. As we make this change in requirements, we would ask that you prayerfully consider how either wearing a mask or not wearing a mask impacts those around you, especially those that are unable to be vaccinated. The decision is yours to make and we will not pass judgement on anyone based on their decision. As a Christian community we are encouraged and challenged to welcome all people, just as God calls us too.

**Community Meal** - We wanted to share with you the success of the community meal this past Sunday. Together with people from Bethany United Methodist, Saint Paul's UCC and Bethel AME we served just over 100 meals to people in our community. I want to say a huge thank you to all the volunteers who worked hard to put this meal together and I give thanks to God for the opportunity to work side by side with such amazing and dedicated people to share food with people in our community.



**This Week at Milton Lutheran Parish . . .**

- Sun., June 20     **Happy Father’s Day!**  
9:30 AM Worship at Trinity. Live Stream Available.
- Mon., June 21     **Happy Summer Solstice!**  
**Happy Birthday Mary Lou Benschhoff!**  
**Happy Anniversary George & Bebe Bolich!**
- Tue., Jun. 22     **Happy Birthday Chris Coup!**  
**Happy Anniversary Bonnie & Ken Gaugler!**
- Wed., Jun 23     **Happy Birthday Rick Bensoff!**  
Bible Study Posted to Website & Social Media
- Sun., Jun. 27     **Happy Anniversary Seth & Heather Reitz!**  
9:30 AM Worship at Trinity. Live Stream Available.

<b>Milton Lutheran Parish Leadership Team</b>	
Pastor	Gary Schaeffer
Parish Office Administrator	Robin A. McKean-Power
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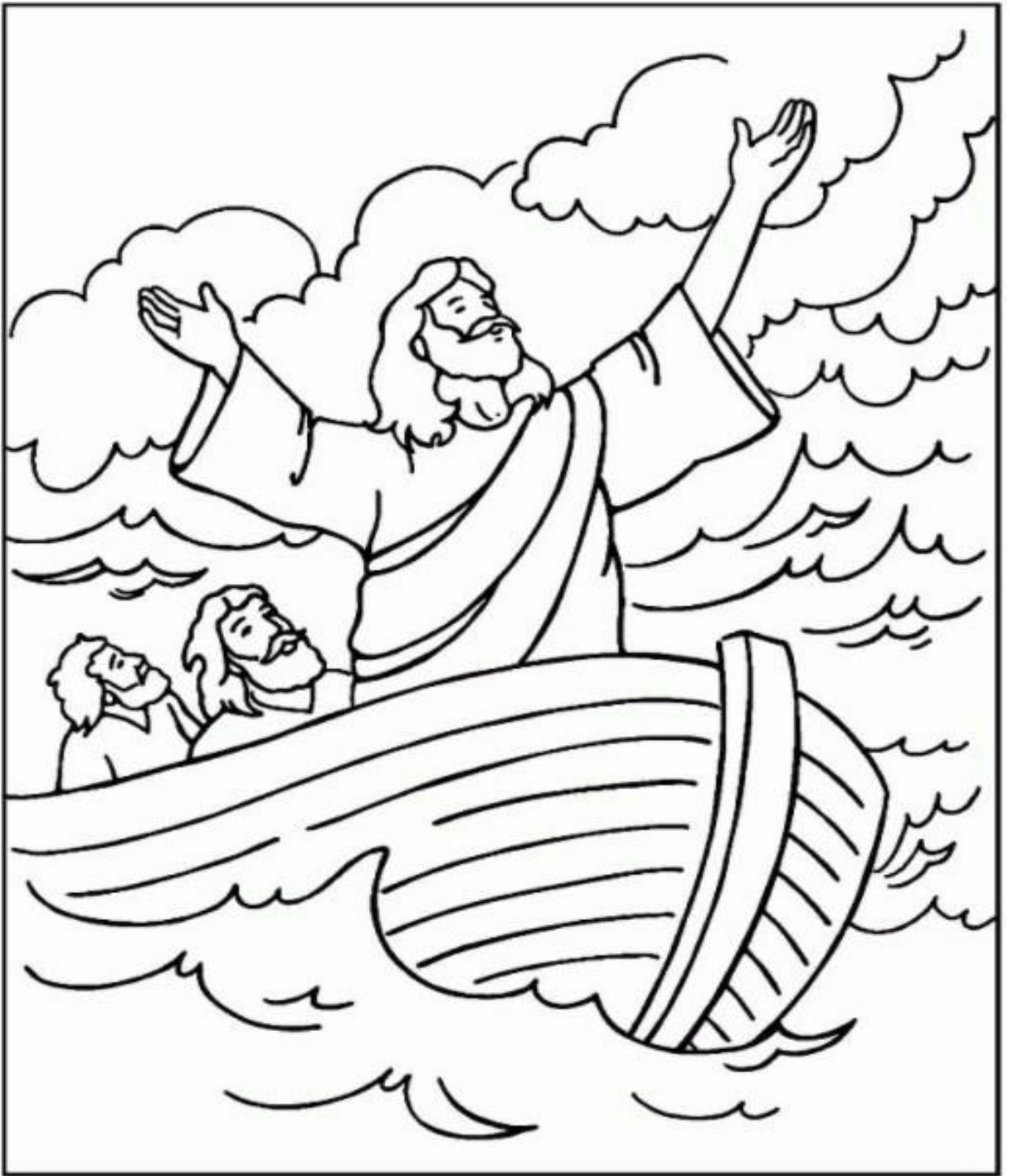
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Jesus Calms the Sea

