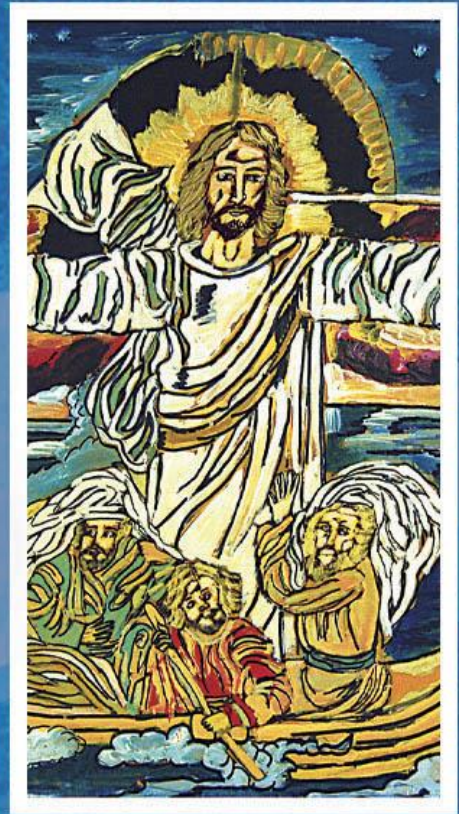


Even the wind
and the sea
obey him

MARK 4:41



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NOW IS THE ACCEPTABLE TIME; NOW IS THE DAY OF SALVATION! NOW WE ARE IN THE STORM, THE BOAT ALMOST SWAMPED; BUT JESUS IS HERE NOW, AND WHEN WE CALL HIM, HE WILL CALM THE STORM. EVEN THE WIND AND WAVES LISTEN TO HIM AS THEY WOULD TO THEIR CREATOR. WE ALSO LISTEN TO HIM AND ARE CALLED TO BELIEVE IN THE POWER OF GOD'S WORD IN HIM, A POWER GREATER THAN ALL THAT WE FEAR.

Prelude

Welcome

Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, - the Father, † the Son and the Holy Spirit – the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

C Amen.

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

SILENCE IS KEPT FOR REFLECTION.

P God, our provider, **help us.**

C 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.

P 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.

C Amen.

PLEASE STAND FOR THE GATHERING HYMN AS YOU ARE ABLE.

Gathering Hymn

If You But Trust in God to Guide You



1 If you but trust in God to guide you with gen - tle
2 What gain is there in anx - ious weep - ing, in help - less
3 The Lord our rest - less hearts is hold - ing, in peace and
4 Sing, pray, and keep God's ways un - swerv - ing, of - fer your



hand through all your ways, you'll find that God is there be -
an - ger and dis - tress? If you are in your Sav - ior's
qui - et - ness con - tent. We rest in God's good will un -
ser - vice faith - ful - ly. Trust heav - en's word; though un - de -



side you when cross - es come, in try - ing days. Trust then in
keep - ing, in sor - row will he love you less? For Christ who
fold - ing, what wis - dom from on high has sent. God, who has
serv - ing, you'll find God's prom - ise true to be. This is our



God's un - chang - ing love; build on the rock that will not move.
took for you a cross will bring you safe through ev - 'ry loss.
cho - sen us by grace, knows ver - y well the fears we face.
con - fi - dence in - deed: God nev - er fails in time of need.

Prayer of the Day

P We pray together.

C 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 Lesson

Job 38:1-11

¹The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind: ²“Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? ³Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare

to me. ⁴“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. ⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? ⁶On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone ⁷when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy? ⁸“Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?— ⁹when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band, ¹⁰and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors, ¹¹and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped’?”

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalmody

Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32

¹O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
for his steadfast love endures forever.

**²Let the redeemed of the LORD say so,
those he redeemed from trouble**

³and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.

**²³Some went down to the sea in ships,
doing business on the mighty waters;**

²⁴they saw the deeds of the LORD, his wondrous works in the deep.

**²⁵For he commanded and raised the stormy wind,
which lifted up the waves of the sea.**

²⁶They mounted up to heaven, they went down to the depths;
their courage melted away in their calamity;

**²⁷they reeled and staggered like drunkards,
and were at their wits' end.**

²⁸Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble,
and he brought them out from their distress;

²⁹he made the storm be still, and the waves of the sea were hushed.

³⁰Then they were glad because they had quiet,
and he brought them to their desired haven.

**³¹Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love,
for his wonderful works to humankind.**

³²Let them extol him in the congregation of the people,
and praise him in the assembly of the elders.

Second Lesson

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

¹As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. ²For he says, “At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.” See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! ³We are putting no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, ⁷truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything. ¹¹We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. ¹²There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. ¹³In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PLEASE STAND FOR THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION AS YOU ARE ABLE.

Gospel Acclamation

P Alleluia. Your word, O Lord, is truth;

C sanctify us in the truth. Alleluia.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 4th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Holy Gospel

Mark 4:35-41

³⁵When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] “Let us go across to the other side.” ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But 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?” ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, “Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?” ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

L The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

PLEASE BE SEATED FOR THE SERMON.

PLEASE STAND FOR THE HYMN OF THE DAY AS YOU ARE ABLE.

Hymn of the Day

Precious Lord, Take My Hand



1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand,
 2 When my way grows . . drear, pre-cious Lord, lin - ger near,
 3 When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws . . near,



I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
 when my life is . . . al - most . . gone,
 and the day is . . . past and . . . gone.



Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.
 hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall.
 at the riv - er I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand.



Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.

The Apostles' Creed

P With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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.**

PLEASE BE SEATED FOR THE PRAYERS.

The Prayers of Intercession

L We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

A BRIEF SILENCE.

Equip your faithful people to approach this world with a sense of wonder. Make your church a safe place to explore big questions, troubling doubts, and honest laments. Humble our hearts to repent of the ways that communities of faith have inflicted pain or trauma. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You spoke creation into order from the chaos of the swirling deep. May your name be praised by rivers and seas, wetlands and waterfalls. Secure clean water for all people and protect water sources from contamination or exploitation. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Amid whirlwinds of division, violence, and conflict, remind us again that you are as steadfast as the foundations of the earth. Rejuvenate peacemakers, advocates, and community organizers when they feel weary in their work (*especially*). Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Deliver your people from their distress, O God. We lift before you all who are sick or struggling (*especially*). Grant consolation and peace to all who live with chronic, terminal, or persistent illness. In times of affliction or hardship, sustain us in faith. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Enfold all travelers with your protection. Bless the comings and goings of this assembly as we travel for leisure or for work. Let all journeys be met with

hospitality on the way, and let community members return to us with celebration. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

HERE OTHER INTERCESSIONS MAY BE OFFERED.

Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation for all the redeemed of the Lord. Joined together with the great cloud of witnesses, we give thanks for your steadfast love and your wonderful works.

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

L Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ. **C Amen.**

PLEASE STAND TO SHARE THE PEACE AS YOU ARE ABLE.

The Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C And also with you.**

Offertory Prayer

P Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **C Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

P The Lord be with you. **C And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts. **C We lift them up to the LORD.**

P Let us give thanks to the LORD, our God.

C It is right to give God thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so with the church on earth and the host of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

P Blessed are you Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world you sent your only Son so that all those who believe in Him should not perish, but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send now into our hearts and upon these your own gifts of bread and wine your Holy Spirit so that we may receive our Lord with a living faith.

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.

C Amen.

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

The Lord's Prayer

**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 trespasses 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 forever. Amen.**

P Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

PLEASE BE SEATED FOR COMMUNION.

Blessing after Communion

P The body of our Lord Jesus Christ and His most precious blood strengthen you and keep you in His grace. **C Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer

P Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **C Amen.**

Benediction

P The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us – the Father, † the Son and the Holy Spirit – be upon you now and forever.

C Amen.

PLEASE STAND FOR THE SENDING HYMN AS YOU ARE ABLE.

Sending Hymn

Lord, take My Hand and Lead Me



1 Lord, take my hand and lead me up - on life's way;
2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear;
3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en and night has come,



di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me from day to day.
for you, the Rock of A - ges, are al - ways near.
I know that you will strength - en my steps toward home,



With - out your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;
Close by your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,
then noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend!



so take my hand, O Sav - ior, and lead the way.
for when your hand is guid - ing, in peace I go.
So, take my hand and lead me un - to the end.

D i s m i s s a l

P Go in Peace. You are the body of Christ.

C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

P o s t l u d e

Who, Then, Is This? Our Only Help.

As the disciples set out together in the boat with the sleeping Jesus, a great windstorm arose so that the boat became swamped. As we set out in mission together in the ship of Christ's church, how many storms arise! The elements of chaos still seem to wreak havoc in our lives, communities, and in the church—and we become terrified. Though Christ is present the disciples and we ourselves begin to doubt his care and power: “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” His presence seems far too weak to help us, though it is exactly in this vulnerable weakness that Christ shows his almighty power. Jesus wakes at the disciples' cries and rebukes the wind and waves—they are no match for his command. The terrifying calm that follows demonstrates his divine power over all the chaos that continually threatens us. And we find ourselves awe-struck before the living God who has met us in our weakness and yet overcome it. The Christ who sleeps in the boat is the same Christ who hangs on the cross, seemingly helpless. Yet the helpless one is none other than the all-powerful Lord God. “Who then is this?” but the Lord of all! The God who in the beginning brought order to the chaotic face of the deep now in Christ brings peace as we face the storm. So why are we afraid? Have we still no faith in this helpless Lord who is our only help?