JESUS IMMEDIATELY REACHED OUT HIS
HAND AND TOOK HOLD OF HIM,
SAYING TO HIM,

# O YOU OF LITTLE FAITH, WHY DID YOU

# DOUBT

MATTHEW 14:27

# Zion Lutheran Church Praise & Worship Service August 9, 2020

#### WELCOME

#### **Blessed Be Your Name**

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful Where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your name.

Every blessing You pour out, I'll turn back to praise When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say

Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name.

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me When the world's all as it should be, blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name.

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say

Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name.

You give and take away, You give and take away
My heart will choose to say, Lord, blessed be Your name

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Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name.

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#### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

PASTOR: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

PASTOR: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in

us.

ALL: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive

our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

PASTOR: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

ALL: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by

what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk

in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

PASTOR: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the

name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

ALL:

#### INTROIT: Psalm 34:4-8

PASTOR: I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. I sought the Lord, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears. Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed. This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him and saved him out of all his troubles. The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them. Oh, taste and see that

the Lord is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was

in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

## KYRIE (spoken)

PASTOR: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

PASTOR: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

PASTOR: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of

God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

PASTOR: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise

let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

PASTOR: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

ALL: Amen.

#### SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

PASTOR: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

PASTOR: Let us pray. Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all

harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one

God. now and forever.

ALL: Amen.

#### **OLD TESTAMENT READING: Job 34:4-18**

[The Lord said to Job:] "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone, when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy? Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb, when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band, and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors, and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stayed'? Have you commanded the morning since your days began, and caused the dawn to know its place, that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth, and the wicked be shaken out of it? It is changed like clay under the seal, and its

features stand out like a garment. From the wicked their light is withheld, and their uplifted arm is broken. Have you entered into the springs of the sea, or walked in the recesses of the deep? Have the gates of death been revealed to you, or have you seen the gates of deep darkness? Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth? Declare, if you know all this."

PASTOR: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

#### **EPISTLE LESSON:** Romans 10:5-17

Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. But the righteousness based on faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) or "'Who will descend into the abyss?" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

PASTOR: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

#### PLEASE STAND FOR THE READING OF THE HOLY GOSPEL.

PASTOR: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.

ALL: Glory to You, O Lord.

#### HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 14:22-33

Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

PASTOR: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to You, O Christ.

# **APOSTLES' CREED (spoken in unison)**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### **What a Friend We Have in Jesus**

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry ev'rything to God in prayer! Oh, what peace we often forfeit; oh, what needless pain we bear-All because we do not carry ev'rything to God in prayer! Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged—take it to the Lord in prayer. Can we find a friend so faithful Who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness—take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care? Precious Savior, still our refuge—take it to the Lord in prayer. Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer. In His arms He'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.

#### **SERMON**

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

### THE LORD'S PRAYER (spoken in unison)

Our Father who art in heaven hallowed by 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.

#### BENEDICTION

PASTOR: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you

and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give

you peace.

All: Amen.

#### **All I Have Is Christ**

I once was lost in darkest night, yet thought I knew the way; The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave. I had no hope that You would own a rebel to Your will, And if You had not loved me first I would refuse You still.

But as I ran my hell bound race, indifferent to the cost, You looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross. And I beheld God's love displayed, You suffered in my place; You bore the wrath reserved for me; now all I know is grace!

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ! Hallelujah! Jesus is my life! Now Lord I would be Yours alone and live so all might see
The strength to follow Your commands could never come from me.
O Father use my ransomed life in any way You choose,
And let my song forever be: my only boast is You.

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