

Sunday, June 23, 2024
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost



Thought: The storms of life and not just once, continue as we journey. Jesus says: “Peace be Still.” But what does that mean for each storm that disrupts our days?

We can trust God’s power to redeem whatever lies in our path. When we face chaotic situations, we easily forget that God is still God. Maybe like the disciples we cry out – don’t you care that we are perishing! It may be harder to see and trust God’s transcendent power – but it is there, redeeming our losses and drawing us into life.

Prelude – Arlene Conaghan

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer Concerns

Sharing of the Peace

P: As we face each storm where winds blow and threaten to swamp us, we know Jesus offers “peace, be still.”
May that peace be with you.

C: And also with you.

Gathering Hymn – “Jesus Savior, Pilot Me” ELW #755

Call to Worship

^{C:}
L: Holy and Everlasting God, ruler of the universe,

C: In your wisdom you have formed us.

L: Open us to your power

C: That we might be at home in you.

L: Let us worship God in song and praise –

C: Let us entrust to God our hope and our service.

Invocation

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Prayer of Confession and Forgiveness

P: Forgive us, God, our fear when we lose sight of you, or think we alone are the masters of our destiny and find ourselves gravely mistaken.

C: We confess our shortsightedness, our despair when things do not turn our way on our timetable or by our checklists. Remind us that you are always there. Restore us to trust in you, and service that entrusts the outcome to your good purposes, even when those purposes stretch beyond our sight.

P: The storms of life will come, even to the “swamping of our boat.” But you, Jesus are with us and remind us that “Peace, be still” will always keep us close and forgiven.

C: Amen.

Kyrie

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Amen and Amen.

Hymn of Praise – “My Faith Looks Up to Thee ”ELW #759 vs. 1&3

Prayer of the Day

L: Sovereign God, who has come to us in Jesus: the vagaries of life swirl around us. The winds of change drive our lives in ways we could not expect.

C: Be both our buoy and commander. Remind us that you are the creator and sustainer of life, for us and for the whole creation. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

Preparing for the Word

L: The psalmist declares that “The Lord is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble.

C: We will therefore give thanks to God and tell of God’s wonderful deeds.

L: God rules the world with righteousness and demands justice of the nations.

C: We will sing praise to God with joy and thanksgiving.

The Word

Old Testament reading: Job 38:1-11

Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

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 cornerstone⁷when 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,⁰and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors,¹and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped’?”

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32

You stilled the storm and silenced the waves of the sea.

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the | LORD is good ,for God’s mercy endures forever.

²**Let the redeemed of the |LORD proclaim that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,**

³gathering them in from the lands; from the east and from the west, from the north and | from the south.

²³**Some went down to the sea in ships, plying their trade | in deep waters.**

²⁴They beheld the works of the LORD ,God's wonderful works | in the deep.

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

²⁶They mounted up to the heavens and descended | to the depths; their souls melted away in their peril.

²⁷**They staggered and reeled like drunkards, and all their skill was of no avail.**

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

²⁹**You stilled the storm to a whisper and silenced the waves | of the sea.**

³⁰Then were they glad when it grew calm, when you guided them to the harbor | they desired.

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

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

Epistle reading: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation!

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.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Holy Gospel: Mark 4:35-41

https://youtu.be/k5WQ3xf0rnU?si=WDbt_umwliPFXgRI

The Holy Gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you O Lord.**

Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?

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?”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ.**

Children of God time

https://youtu.be/-hpiODnUJrw?si=HdQ41MWvpg7j_V-q
Message – “In the Wind and Waves of the World, We Trust”
<https://youtu.be/Us2b9p-Q0w?si=OzVo3DbgHUr7ewHT>

Hymn of the Day – “When Peace like a River”

ELW #785

The 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

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

A brief silence.

L: 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,

C: receive our prayer.

L: 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,

C: receive our prayer.

L: 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,

C: receive our prayer.

L: 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,

C: receive our prayer.

L: 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,

C: receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

L: 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,

C: receive our prayer.

P: Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Offering/Offertory Music – “Precious Lord, Take My Hand”
ELW #773

The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Lift up 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.

Preface

P: Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.

Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.

Breathe new life into us.

Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

Consecration

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 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.

Distribution

Communion Music – Arlene Conaghan

Post Communion Blessing – Pastor

Post Communion Prayer

L: 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.

C: 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.

Benediction from Numbers 6 – Pastor

Sending Hymn – “My Life Flows On in Endless Song” ELW #763

Dismissal

L: Sometimes God calms the storm and mostly He calm’s the child in faith. We go to serve in that faith.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude – Arlene Conaghan



Thank you for worshipping with us today!

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Altar Flowers

Sue Hale - Glory of God

Prayer Concerns:

Dave Sanders – health concerns

Donna Fleming – (Melanie's Mother-in-law) health concerns

Ken Wehr – stroke recovery

Lily Fleming – college student

Carolyn (Mike Barger's sister) health concerns

Garold Burkholder – health concerns

David Aper (brother of Rita Wahl) – health concerns

Paul Sipka – health concerns

Jim and Mary Kay Johnson health concerns

Lil Marzinzik – (health concerns – Sue Barger's mother)

Marithza Barger – chronic hip problems

Chad Wahl

Please help us keep the prayer list current. You may contact the office or complete a prayer request card located in the back of the pews.

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>June 23rd</u>	<u>June 30th</u>
<i>Lay Assistant</i>	Dennis	Dennis
<i>Lay Reader</i>	Larry	Roberta
<i>Usher</i>	Larry	Leo
<i>Tellers</i>	Leslie and Tim	Leo and Roberta
<i>Communion</i>	Lee and Mary	Tim and Leslie
<i>Set/Clean Up</i>		

Mark your Calendar!

Chalk and Bubbles - Wednesday, July 24 at 6:30pm-8pm in the OSLC parking lot.