

Morning Prayer

Proper 13A, Pentecost 9

August 2, 2020



Prelude

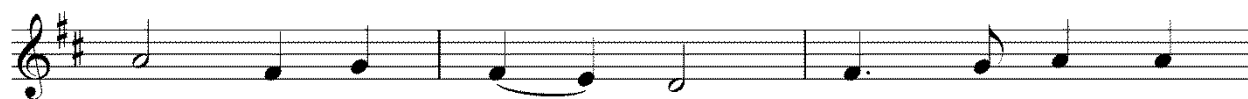
Announcements

Opening Hymn

Tune: *Christe sanctorum*

Hymnal 1

We the Lord's people



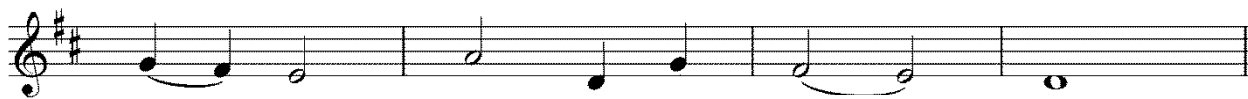
1. We the Lord's peo- -ple, heart and voice u -
2. This is the Lord's house, home of all God's
3. This is the Lord's day, day of God's own



1. -ni- -ting, praise him who called us out of sin and
2. peo- -ple, school for the faith- -ful, re- -fuge for the
3. ma- -king, day of cre- - a- -tion, day of re- -sur-



1. dark- -ness in- -to his own light, that he might a-
2. sin- -ner, rest for the pil- -grim, ha- -ven for the
3. -rec- -tion, day of the Spi- -rit, sign of hea- -ven's



1. -noint us a roy- -al priest- -hood.
2. wear- -y; all find a wel- -come.
3. ban- -quet, day for re- -joi- -cing.

Confession of Sin

The Presider says

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. *Philippians 1:2*

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence is kept.

The People's Respondent, the Presider, and the People

**God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.**

The Priest then says

Almighty God have mercy on you, + forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Invitatory and Psalter

Presider O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise.

People **And your glory all the day long.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

The Holy One is in our midst;
O come let us worship.

Jubilate: Psalm 100

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
**Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**
For the Lord is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.
**In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.**
The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land.
**Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.**
For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *
Oh, that today you would hearken to God's voice!

Psalm 17:1-7, 16

¹Hear my plea of innocence, O LORD;
give heed to my cry; *
listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.
²**Let my vindication come forth from your presence; *
let your eyes be fixed on justice.**
³Weigh my heart, summon me by night, *
melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.
⁴**I give no offense with my mouth as others do; *
I have heeded the words of your lips.**
⁵My footsteps hold fast to the ways of your law; *
in your paths my feet shall not stumble.
⁶**I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; *
incline your ear to me and hear my words.**
⁷Show me your marvelous loving-kindness, *
O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand
from those who rise up against them.
¹⁶**But at my vindication I shall see your face; *
when I awake, I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the
beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

The Lessons

First Reading

Genesis 32:22-31

A Reading from the book of Genesis.

²²[Jacob got up at night] and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniél, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuél, limping because of his hip.

<i>Reader</i>	The Word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God.

Canticle 9: the First Song of Isaiah

Isaiah 12:2-6

The Reader, the People's Respondent, and the People

Surely, it is God who saves me; *

I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, *
and he will be my Savior.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing *
from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say, *

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;

Make his deeds known among the peoples; *
see that they remember that his Name is exalted.

Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, *
and this is known in all the world.

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, *

for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Second Reading

Romans 9:1-5

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

¹I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—²I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. ⁴They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; ⁵to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

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

Hymn

LEVAS 151

One bread, one body

One bread, one bod-y,

one Lord of all, one cup of

bless - ing which we bless. And we, though

man - y, through-out the earth, We are one

bod - y in this one Lord.

1. Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or
2. Man - y the gifts, man - y the
3. Grain for the fields, scat - tered and

1. free, wom - an or man, _____
 2. works, one in the Lord _____
 3. grown, gath - ered to one _____

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1. — no more. _____ One
 2. — of all. _____ One
 3. — for all. _____ One

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Lord. _____

Third Reading

Matthew 14:13-21

A Reading from Matthew.

¹³Jesus withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." ¹⁸And he said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.



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

Sermon

The Apostles' Creed

The People's Respondent, the Presider, and the People

**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 to the dead.
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.**

The Prayers

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

The People's Respondent, the Presider, and the People

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

R. **Govern and uphold them, now and always.**

V. Day by day we bless you;

R. **We praise your Name for ever.**

V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;

R. **Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.**

V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;
R. For we put our trust in you.
V. In you, Lord, is our hope;
R. And we shall never hope in vain.

The Collect of the Day

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Collect for Grace

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Guidance

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Prayer for Mission

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Intercessions and thanksgivings

Presider Let us journey to the waters of God's refreshing kindness, offering our prayers and responding, "Hear us, good Lord."

Intercessor That we may be prepared for the struggles of life, knowing that through suffering we receive grace, and that in the midst of trials, Jesus is forming us in love; let us pray. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Silence is kept.

That we may be satisfied beholding the likeness of others, seeing in them the face of Christ, especially through those who are poor and hardworking, homeless and destitute, imprisoned and alone, orphaned and afraid, grieving and lost; let us pray. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Silence is kept.

That we may take responsibility for sharing our ideas and lending our support to those who lead the Church, government, and public institutions, that we may share in the building of the social and spiritual fabric of our society; let us pray. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Silence is kept.

That we may trust the transforming power of Jesus to take even our meager offerings and create the resources that reveal the promises of the kingdom; let us pray. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Silence is kept.

That we may honor the writers of the gospels and epistles, whose unique contributions form our sacred texts, and those in our own day who bring the light of God through books, articles, websites and blogs; let us pray. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Silence is kept.

That light perpetual may shine upon [_____, and on] all the faithful departed as they come into their true home in the unending joy of the saints; let us pray. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Silence is kept.

In the fellowship of the One who is full of graciousness and compassion, we continue our prayers, remembering before you our Bishops Bonnie, Michael, Justin, Julio, Moises, Elizabeth, Donald and Craig. We pray for all ministers, priests, deacons, ministry teams and those in formation; and our brothers and sisters worshipping at Christ Church Cranbrook, Bloomfield Hills; and Christ the Savior, Santiago, and St Peter's, Los Cornucos, in the Dominican Republic. We give you thanks for all the blessings and mercies we have received [especially _____]. We pray for those who are sick, or in any need or trouble [especially _____].

Silence is kept.

Lord God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; for this we pray. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Priest In union, O Lord with the faithful at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we desire to offer our praise and thanksgiving. We present to you our souls and bodies with the earnest wish that we may always be united to you. And since we cannot now receive you sacramentally, we beseech you to come spiritually into our hearts. We unite ourselves to you, and embrace you with all the affections of our souls. Let nothing ever separate us from you. **Amen.**

Prayers for those celebrating their birthdays and anniversaries

The Presider then says

In August, we celebrate the birthdays of Steve, Anabelle, Mary, Wally, and any others you wish to remember in prayer.

Prayer for a Birthday

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O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants Steve, Anabelle, Mary, and Wally, as they begin another year. Grant that *they* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *their* trust in your goodness all the days of *their* lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Today we celebrate the anniversaries of those you wish to remember in prayer.

Prayer for an Anniversary

BCP p.429

Eternal God, creator and preserver of all life, author of salvation, and giver of all grace: Look with favor upon the world you have made, and for which your Son gave his life, and especially upon *this/ese* couple/s. Grant that their wills may be so knit together in your will, and their spirits in your Spirit, that they may continue to grow in love and peace with you and one another all the days of their lives. **Amen.**

The Presider then says

My sisters and brothers, I invite you- wherever you are- to take into your hands the gifts you offer today. Gifts of food, gifts of money, gifts of whatever form, and join me as we offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good our vows to the Most High.

Let us pray.

Loving God and merciful Creator, whose hand is open wide to satisfy the needs of every living creature: we come to you with thanksgiving and praise. We offer to you this day our gifts of time, talent, and possessions, knowing that all we are, and all we have, is a gift from you. Please accept these gifts, and help us to reach out to others as you, our God, have reached out to us. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: **Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Hymnal 490

I want to walk as a child of the light

The musical score is written for three voices (Soprano, Alto, and Tenor/Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in the key of B-flat major (two flats) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a steady rhythm. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves, with line numbers 1, 2, and 3 indicating different parts of the hymn. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and single notes that support the vocal lines.

1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
2 I want to see the bright - ness of God.
3 I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ.

I want to fol - low Je - sus.
I want to look at Je - sus.
I want to be with Je - sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world. The
Clear sun of right - eous - ness, shine on my path, and
When we have run with pa - tience the race, we

star of my life — is Je - sus.
show me the way to the Fa - ther.
shall know the joy — of Je - sus.

Refrain

In him there is no dark - ness at all. The

night and the day are both a - like. The

Lamb is the light of the ci - ty of God.

a tempo

Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

Dismissal and Blessing

Priest Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who journey the way with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind.

And the blessing of God Almighty, + the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Presider Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Presider The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.** *2 Corinthians 13:14*

Postlude

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REGARDING OFFERINGS TO ST. BARNABAS CHURCH

To make your regular offering to St Barnabas, please mail your check to the church: 20500 W Old US-12, Chelsea MI 48118-1309. Mail is being collected daily.

If you wish to make an offering online, you can use this link provided by the Diocese to do so securely: <https://www.edomi.org/give/> Contributions given here will be transferred by the diocesan Treasurer to St Barnabas.

CONTINUING OUR DONATIONS OF FOOD AND FUNDS TO FAITH IN ACTION

Faith in Action is providing leadership in collecting donations to support households in need in the Chelsea and Dexter areas.

Needed right now: 64-oz. juices, cereal (no Cheerios, please), baking mix, chips, shampoo, conditioner; cleaning products, and personal products are always needed, as these items cannot be purchased with food stamps. **You may bring your donations to FIA**, or to Nancy who will see that they get there.

Donations to help us combat the continuing effects of the pandemic can be made by PayPal at www.faithinaction1.org, by [Facebook](#), or by mailing a check to *Faith in Action*, 603 S. Main Street, Chelsea MI 48118.

If you need help, please call FIA at (734) 475-3305

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Enrichment for Our Spiritual Journey

Join St Barnabas' twice-weekly Zoom check-in! Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. Contact Bill or Marion if you need the link.

Watch Bishop Bonnie Perry's sermons, <https://www.edomi.org/whatsheaid/sermons/>

Watch Washington National Cathedral's live-streamed Eucharist and Daily Office services, <https://cathedral.org/calendar/>

Join in a short, weekly, meditation with Presiding Bishop Curry here: <https://episcopalchurch.org/habits-of-grace>

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Upcoming Commemorations

- Aug. 2 Samuel Ferguson, Missionary Bishop for West Africa, 1916
- 3 George Freeman Bragg, Jr., Priest, 1940;
and, William Edward Burghardt Du Bois, Sociologist, 1963;
and Joanna, Mary, and Salome: the Myrrh-bearing Women
- 5 Albrecht Dürer, 1528, Matthias Grünewald, 1529, and Lucas Cranach the Elder, 1553,
Artists
- 6 The Transfiguration of Our Lord
- 7 John Mason Neale, Priest and Hymnographer, 1866;
and, Catherine Winkworth, Poet, 1878
- 8 Dominic, Priest and Friar, 1221

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BIBLE STUDIES THAT WORK

Scripture preparation for August 9, 2020: Pentecost 10, Proper 14A

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

This story of a sibling sold into slavery feels particularly important at this moment. I'm writing this study in the summer of 2020 in the United States, as we face calls for racial justice and a reckoning with the ongoing legacy of slavery. Some of us may identify with Joseph, bruised and down in a pit while his own brothers stand by. Some of us may be able to see ourselves in Joseph's brothers who want to get him out of the way and end up selling him for a profit, as we recognize our roles in the systems that oppress, exploit, and incarcerate our siblings. Maybe some of us can see ourselves as Joseph's brother Reuben—Reuben tries to avert the harm his brothers are doing to Joseph, and yet Reuben's actions still end up leading to Joseph's enslavement.

And then there are the side characters. Unlike the brothers, the merchants in the caravan don't have anything personal against Joseph; when they profit from Joseph's suffering, they may think they're only doing their jobs. There's also that man "wandering in the fields" who gives Joseph directions. In a story so full of complex interconnectedness, this lone wanderer is an oddity, and worth noticing as we consider the sense of wandering and disconnectedness some of us may feel in a time of change. This episode in the life of Joseph's family gives us food for thought and imagination as we consider the complexity of our own past and present.

- Do you identify with any of the characters in the story? As you imagine the story, what sensory details or dialogue might you add?
- What insights can be gained from placing this story alongside stories of racial oppression in the U.S.? What are the dangers of that kind of comparison?

Psalms 105, 1-6, 16-22, 45b

The psalm reads Joseph's story as one of God's "marvelous works" in a way that our story from Genesis does not. In Genesis 37, we see a story of humans acting on their own very human motives. In Psalm 105, Joseph's suffering at his brothers' hands is part of something bigger—something wondrous—that God is doing. At the end of Genesis, Joseph sees what happens as *both* his brother's wrongdoing *and* God's blessing. He tells his brothers, "Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people" (Gen. 50:20). Joseph recognizes God's work in his troubles without absolving his brothers of the harm they intended. And indeed, the psalmist exhorts us to pay attention to the story of Joseph's family as not only one of God's "wonders" but also one of God's "judgments." For the psalmist, God is present both to judge human wrongdoing and to work wonders on behalf of those same flawed humans.

- Are you more comfortable reading the story of Joseph being sold as a story of human wrongdoing or a story of divine blessing? Why?

- Are there stories in your own life or the life of the church where you see God’s “marvelous works” alongside human action?

Romans 10:5-15

Paul quotes an assurance from Deuteronomy that God’s commands are not distant or difficult. No one has to go on a quest “up to heaven” or “beyond the sea” in order to find out what it is that God wants from us. Instead, “The word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart” (Deut. 30:11-14).

In this season of our life together, when COVID-19 has disrupted many people’s access to church, we can lean on this promise of nearness. Our life in community is vital to our faith, and I’ve dearly missed celebrating the Eucharist together, singing together, studying the Bible together in groups, and all of the ways that we would normally care for each other and be present for each other that have been taken away or drastically reshaped by the pandemic.

Still, Paul goes on to talk about the importance of proclamation and the role of the community in spreading the good news. Amid all the urgency to do the often difficult and complex work of proclamation and community, we have the simple promise that *the word is near, on our lips and in our hearts*. The word is near us whether or not we can receive the Eucharist, whether or not we can all be inside a church building. While much is uncertain, we know that the Spirit dwells within us, and we know that God’s word of love is on our lips and in our hearts.

- Have you experienced times when you’ve felt like you had to go a long way to find God’s word for you? What about times when you found the word you needed nearby?
- What word is on your lips and in your heart now?

Matthew 14:22-33

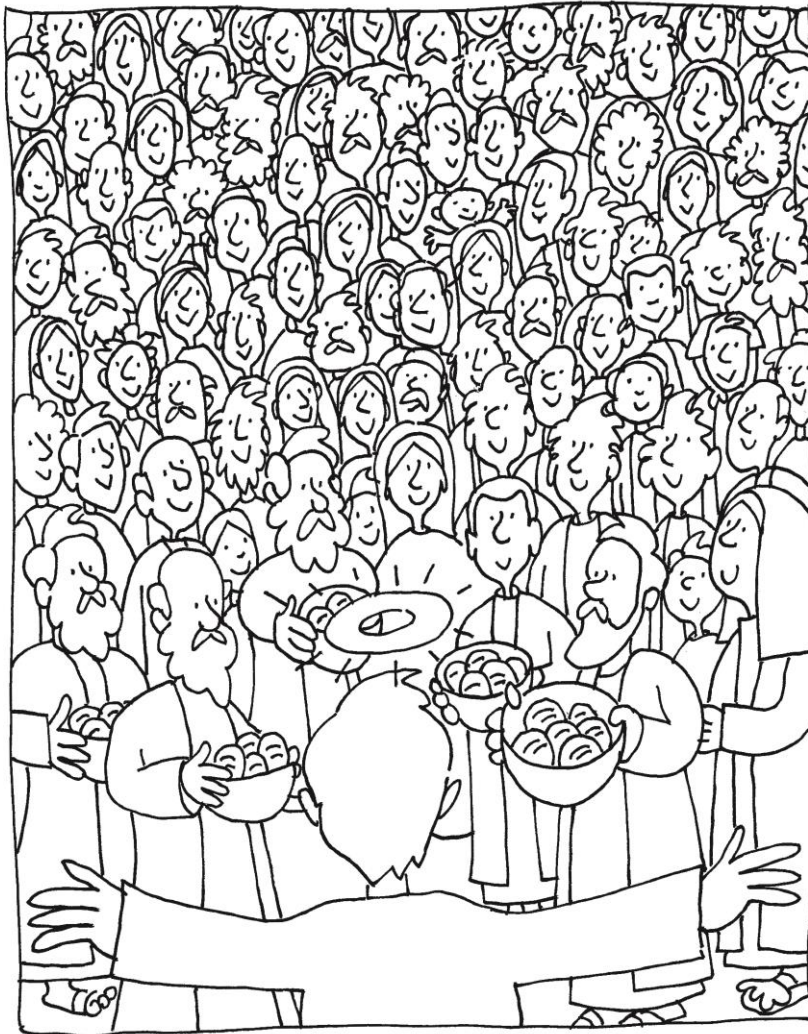
Our baptism service reminds us of the Holy Spirit moving over water at Creation, the passage of the Israelites through the parted waters of the Red Sea, and the water of Jesus’ baptism. The story of Peter’s brief walk on water is a bit of a divergent take on the image of baptism—Peter literally falls into the water and Jesus pulls him back up before he drowns. It’s not the safe and sanctified space of a tranquil riverbank or a church font, but rather the middle of a stormy sea. And yet, this is where Peter calls out for salvation and grabs onto Jesus’ hand. God is present over the waters of creation, at the parting of the Red Sea, at Jesus’ baptism in the Jordan River, and also here in the choppy waters where Peter fears for his life.

Earlier in Matthew, Jesus calms a storm (Matt. 8:23-27), but here, most of the encounter takes place while the storm is still raging. In Matthew’s ordering, we know that Jesus *can* calm a storm, but instead, Jesus walks through the storm to meet the disciples there. Jesus allows Peter to take the risk of walking on the water with him in this storm and is there to lift him out of the water when he falls. Instead of quelling the chaos and resolving the fear and confusion, this time Jesus chooses to be present with the disciples in the midst of that chaos, fear, and confusion.

- Does this story remind you of other stories in the Bible or the life of the church? How is this story similar to or different from baptisms you’ve witnessed or baptismal art you’ve seen?
- Does Peter’s walk on water remind you of anything that has happened in your life? Have you encountered Jesus or experienced moments of salvation amid chaos?

Our Mission:

We seek to grow as diverse disciples of Jesus Christ, and to serve Jesus by serving others in the world, guided by the values of Ancient Rites, Open Minds, and Affirming Hearts.



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