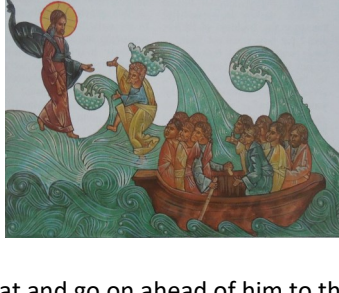


Grace at a Glance

Walking on Water

Matthew 14:22-33

June 11, 2023



Scripture Matthew 14:22-33

²² Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. ²³ After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. Later that night, he was there alone, ²⁴ and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it.

²⁵ Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. ²⁶ When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear.

²⁷ But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid."

²⁸ "Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water."

²⁹ "Come," he said.

Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. ³⁰ But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!"

³¹ Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?"

³² And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. ³³ Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Prayer of the Day

O God our defender,

Storms rage around and within us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us in the faith of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.



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June Mission of the Month

The Mission of the Month for June at Grace Lutheran Church is ELCA Disaster Response. ELCA Disaster Response shares God's hope, healing and renewal with people whose lives have been disrupted by disasters in the U.S. and around the world.

Some of the projects domestically include flooding, hurricanes, severe storms, tornadoes, and wildfires. Internationally current projects include the Eastern Europe crisis, Horn of Africa drought, Middle East Crisis, South Sudan Relief and Protecting Migrants.

ELCA Disaster Response realizes that every disaster is local. Because of this, they believe every response needs to be rooted in the community. They work to accompany that community from immediate relief through long term recovery, By collaborating with other disaster response organizations and religious entities in the U.S. and around the world it enables the greatest stewardship of resources and maximum impact of response. ELCA Disaster Response is a welcome partner because they respect the perspectives and strengths of others.

Please prayerfully consider making a donation to this organization which represents the Lutheran Church and reaches out to those in need. The United States and the world have had an incredible number of natural disasters in recent months. You can help to make a difference. Please use your blue multi-purpose envelope, mark mission of the month and place in the offering plate on Sunday mornings or mail into the church office. Checks should be made payable to Grace. Thank you.

This Sunday we worship in the Sanctuary at Grace at 9:30 am.

New Confidential Prayer Link: <https://forms.gle/oCUEbVJ6CkmdD3nB6>

We have now established a confidential prayer email that we will be adding to our website which can be used by anyone wishing for prayers. This can be made available to just the pastor, the pastor and the prayer chain, OR the pastor, the prayer chain, and the congregation as you choose. Please feel free to test it out. This is just one more way you can access our pastor and/or the prayer team.

We have a dedicated free phone line which you can call in and listen to the livestreaming worship services. So if you don't have a computer or would rather just listen, call in on 1-(833) 579 - 2830. We are working on improving the quality of this experience. Please pass this number to your friends without computers.

We will continue to post recordings of the services each week on our website and Facebook page. Stay tuned for more information as we go forward. We pray for everyone to stay safe and healthy.

Your giving is very important to continuing our missions as always.

You can give electronically using the give button on the website (www.gracelutheranstpaul.org), mail it in to the church (1730 Old Hudson Road, St. Paul 55106) or place in the offering at worship on Sunday.

The office hours are M-Thurs, 9:30-1:30. Feel free to call the church (651-774-9617) with any questions, prayers, or requests for help.

Upcoming events:

ADDITIONAL RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE COMING TO GRACE LUTHERAN:

The Red Cross has asked Grace to sponsor an additional Blood Drive this year. It will be Monday, June 26, 1 - 6 pm. So we will need the usual: Donors, Power Red Donors and more Donors, along with Callers, Greeters, Kitchen Helpers, Cookie/Bar Bakers and help with Set-up and Take-down. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Please consider helping!

July 2nd we will have worship outdoors at **10:00 am** to celebrate the 4th of July. It will be followed by a picnic and some time for fellowship as usual. We will gather on the west side of the trees in the parking lot where there is shade in the morning. Bring a lawn chair if you wish and join us for this patriotic celebration!

On Sunday, July 16th, we will be together at Battle Creek Regional Park in the Pavilion for Worship with the EastSide churches followed by a picnic! Please plan to join us for this fun day of worship and fellowship with our fellow East Siders!



Monday, June 5, 2023 – Sunday, June 11, 2023

Thursday, June 8

Office closed

Saturday, June 10

8:30 am Men's Bible Study (virtual)

Sunday, June 11

9:30 am Worship—

Livestreamed and recorded

Phone in line 1-(833) 579 -2830

10:30 am Fellowship

Church Chuckles

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