

Old Testament

Job 38:4–18

⁴[The Lord said to Job:] “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 sons of God shouted for joy? ⁸Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb, ⁹when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band, ¹⁰and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors, ¹¹and said, “Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stayed?” ¹²“Have you commanded the morning since your days began, and caused the dawn to know its place, ¹³that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth, and the wicked be shaken out of it? ¹⁴It is changed like clay under the seal, and its features stand out like a garment. ¹⁵From the wicked their light is withheld, and their uplifted arm is broken. ¹⁶“Have you entered into the springs of the sea, or walked in the recesses of the deep? ¹⁷Have the gates of death been revealed to you, or have you seen the gates of deep darkness? ¹⁸Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth? Declare, if you know all this.”

Epistle

Romans 10:5–17

⁵Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. ⁶But the righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷or “‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸But 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); ⁹because, 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. ¹⁰For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and

is saved. ¹¹For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. ¹³For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

¹⁴But 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? ¹⁵And 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!” ¹⁶But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” ¹⁷So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

Holy Gospel

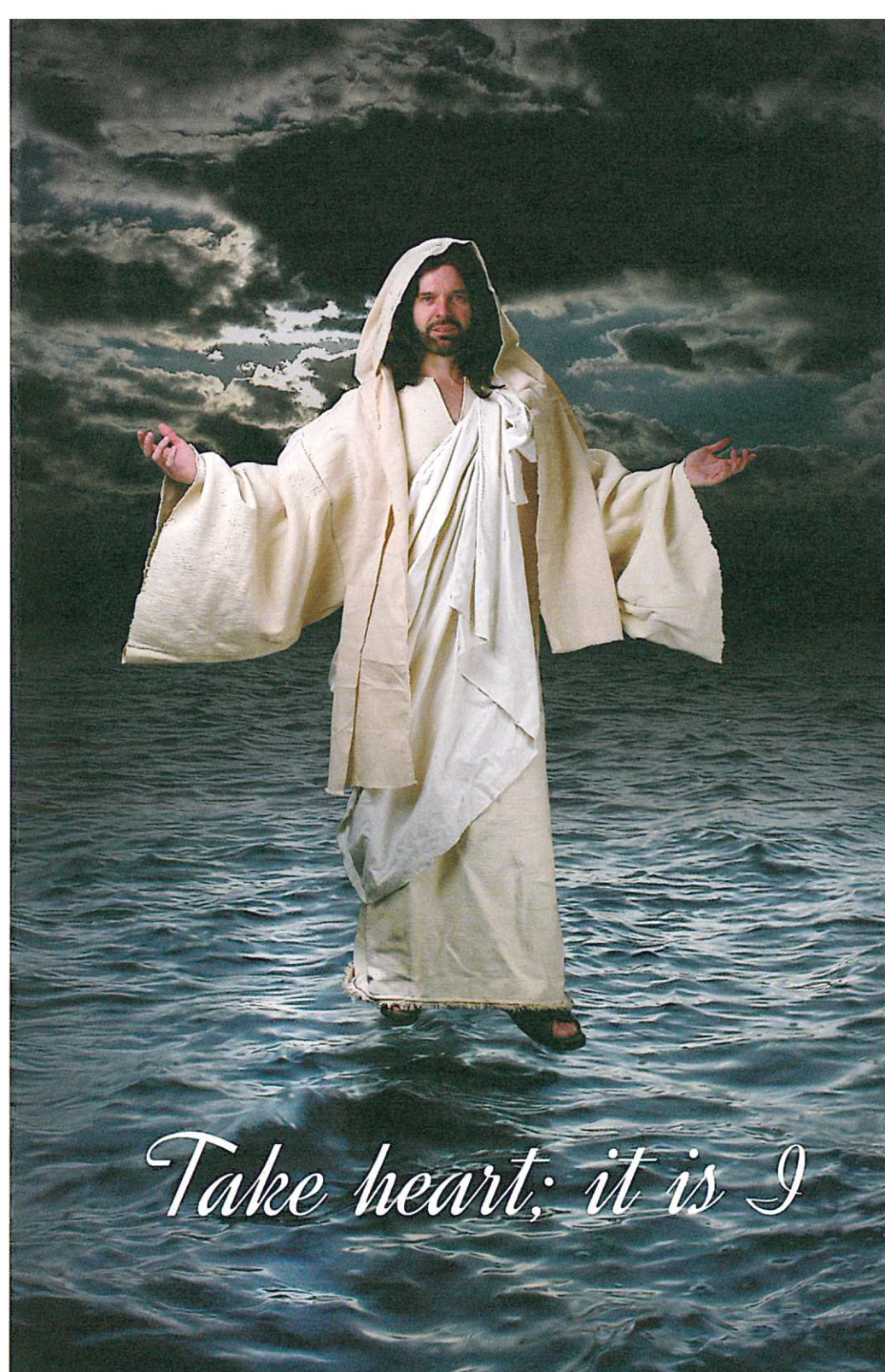
Matthew 14:22–33

²²Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. ²⁵And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. ²⁶But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, “It is a ghost!” and they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, “Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.”

²⁸And Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” ²⁹He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. ³⁰But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, “Lord, save me.” ³¹Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, “O you of little faith, why did you doubt?” ³²And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”



About the Cover: The Creator in His majesty comes striding upon the waves of the sea. It is no wonder that the disciples were terrified! But with the simple words “Take heart; it is I,” He reveals that He comes in peace. Jesus, fully God and at the same time fully man, comes to us in humility. The One through whom all things were made brings peace through His life, death, and resurrection!



Take heart; it is I

10th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 5 & 9, 2020

Sharing, Believing, Living, Caring

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Liturgy: Divine Service Setting One p. 151
Hymns: 794 vs. 1-3, (S) 593 vs. 1 & 4, 717, (W) Hymn of Sending
(Tune: 835), 729
Sermon: "The Devil's Ballgame"
Matthew 14:22-33

THE MEASURE OF OUR LOVE

Attendance 7/29 (Wed.): 24	Comm.: 21	Offering: \$512.00
Attendance 8/2 (Sun): 30	Comm.: 29	Offering: \$3,592.06
Budget Needs: \$3,484.00		Scrip Profit: 8/2: \$19.80

KINGDOM WORK THIS WEEK

WED (8/12) 7:00 p.m. – Worship w/Comm.
SUN (8/9) 9:00 a.m. – Worship w/Comm.

IN OUR PRAYERS we remember Eric & Baylee Kittel who were united in marriage on Saturday (8/8); Wally Sonnabend who continues to battle health issues.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given in God's glory by Roger & Carolyn Bladow in honor of their anniversary.

BAPTISM – Received into God's family through the waters of Baptism is Rhett Jacob Lamers, son of Jake & Kelly Lamers. Rhett's sponsors are Tianna Geiger, Shayna Dietrich, Kasey Kolb, and Isaac Kolb. Welcome to God's family!

PASTOR ON VACATION – August 10-17 – If an emergency should arise, contact Pastor Thomas Schmitt (414-477-7804) or one of the elders.

WEARING OF MASKS – Those who attend worship in person are encouraged to wear a face mask as the number of COVID-19 cases sees an increase.

SCRIP is available for purchase after most worship services, in the church office during the week, or by pre-ordering by calling Renee Bonick (920-296-9164).

PRODUCE TABLE – If you have any extra garden produce during the summer months that you would like to share with members of the congregation, drop it off on the table in the coat room. Items can be left on or taken from the table anytime during the week.

JOYFUL GIVING - Would you find it helpful to have your offerings debited directly from your bank account as you probably do with your other obligations? St. Bartholomew offers electronic giving for those of you who wish to have contributions transferred electronically to the church's account. If you have plans to travel this summer, electronic giving gives you a convenient way to keep us with your intended offerings. Contact the church office to complete a form.

OUR STEWARDSHIP LIFE

Luke 16:8b – "For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light." Money is a tool that can be used for good or wicked purposes. Often, unbelievers show more shrewdness in this than we Christians. If we really believe all that stuff we say in the Creed every Sunday, won't that effect how we use our money?