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SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 2020

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN # 8

"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm has bound the restless wave,
who bade the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep:

O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Savior, whose almighty word the winds and waves submissive heard,
who walked upon the foaming deep, and calm amid its rage did sleep:

O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Holy Spirit, who did brood upon the chaos wild and rude,
and bade its angry tumult cease, and gave, for fierce confusion, peace:

O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Trinity of love and power, all travelers guard in danger's hour;
from rock and tempest, fire and foe, protect them wheresoe'er they go;
thus evermore shall rise to thee glad praise from air and land and sea.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 10:5-15

HYMN OF MEDITATION # 184

“Calm to the Waves”

Calm to the waves. Calm to the wind. Jesus whispers, Peace, be still.”

Balm to our hearts. Fears at an end. In stillness, hear his voice.

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GOSPEL READING

Matthew 14:22-33

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Michael Phoenix

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CLOSING HYMN # 159

“O Sing a Song of Bethlehem”

O sing a song of Bethlehem, of shepherds watching there,
and of the news that came to them from angels in the air.
The light that shone on Bethlehem fills all the world today.
Of Jesus' birth and peace on earth the angels sing always.

O sing a song of Nazareth, of sunny days of joy;
O sing of fragrant flowers' breath, and of the sinless boy.
For now the flowers of Nazareth in every heart may grow.
Now spreads the fame of his dear name on all the winds that blow.

O sing a song of Galilee, of lake and woods and hill,
of him who walked upon the sea and bade its waves be still.
For though, like waves on Galilee, dark seas of trouble roll,
when faith has heard the Master's word, falls peace upon the soul.

O sing a song of Calvary, its glory and dismay,
of him who hung upon the tree, and took our sins away.
For he who died on Calvary is risen from the grave,
and Christ, our Lord, by heaven adored, is mighty now to save.

POSTLUDE

“Forest Green”

arr.: Hal Hopson

TODAY AT COVENANT:

Interim Pastor:

Rev. Dr. Michael Phoenix

Organ/piano:

Jessica Siple, Music Director

Liturgist:

Ed Wolff

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