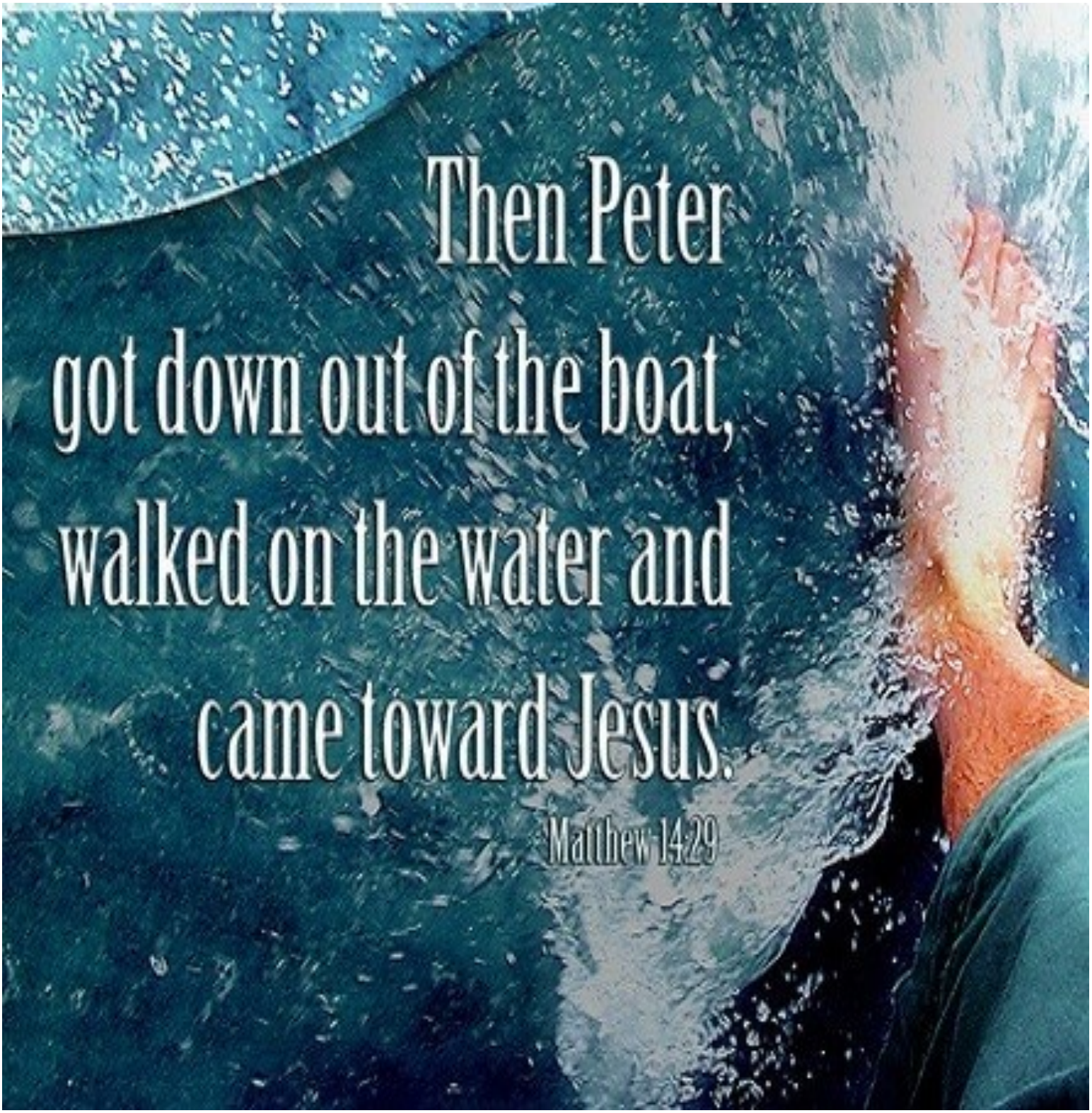
Order of Service for August 9, 2020
The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
9:30 am
Service of the Word
Officiating: The Rev'd Fergus Tyson

St. Paul's Anglican Church
Opening Hearts and Minds to God's Grace



Service of the Word

The Gathering of the Community

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn: How Firm a Foundation (screen)

Greeting (screen)

Collect of the Day (screen)

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

ROMANS 10:5-15

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

Psalm 105:1-6 (screen)

The Holy Gospel

People: ***Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.***

Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

MATTHEW 14:22-33

Leader: The Gospel of Christ.
People: ***Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.***

Homily

The Apostles' Creed (screen)

Confession and Absolution (screen)

The Peace (screen)

Offertory (screen)

Prayer over the Gifts (screen)

The Prayers of the People

Litany (screen)

Prayer in Response to COVID-19 (screen)

The Lord's Prayer (screen)

Closing Hymn: Will You Come and Follow Me (screen)

The Blessing

Dismissal (screen)

Virtual Coffee Time (Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83752940140?pwd=bE03Z01aSEY1Z204V3hFT2l3STRDZz09)

Prayers for This Week

(bold italics indicate new or special emphasis this week)

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray ***for the Province de L'Eglise Anglicane au Rwanda.***

In the Anglican-Lutheran Prayer Cycle: In the Anglican Church we pray for ***Bishop Robert Hardwick, the clergy and people of the Diocese of Qu'Appelle*** and in the Lutheran Church we pray for ***the dean, council, and congregations of the Northern Area of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories.***

In our Diocesan Cycle, we pray for the parish of ***Holy Trinity, Calgary;*** for their incumbent ***Stephen Hambidge***; ***and for the Refugee Committee.***

We lift to you our friends, in our Companion Diocese, the Windward Islands.

In our Parish Cycle, ***we pray for the safety and well-being of all members of our Parish, and pledge to stay connected with one another and face the challenges of COVID-19 together; we remember our clergy, Fergus Tyson, Cyril Haynes, Norman Knowles, Bob Mummery, and their families; and we especially uphold all who are infirm, immune-compromised, or on the front lines in this battle.***

We pray for our foster child Desta Keweti.

Heavenly Father, giver of life and health, comfort and strengthen those of our parish who are sick, injured or distressed, and those approaching or recovering from surgery, especially we lift up to you ***the family of Joy (Abby's sister), the family of Barrin***, Antony, Judy, ***Raymond (uncle of Paul), the family of John,*** Crystal (niece of Rosemarie)***, Bill & Pat, Steve,*** for the family of Bob***, the family of Carmen,*** John, ***the family of Bonnie, Gerald***, ***Gerald and Louise (Shannon's father and mother), Molly*** (mother of Sian), ***the family of Simon, Stephen, Dwight (Dorothy-Ann's cousin)***, Jo, ***the family of Brenda (relative of the Collers), the family of Joan (mother of Richard), Tracy, Roxie and the family of Andy, Harry (friend of Ian and Kathleen), Julia, the Herritt family in their bereavement , Gina, Gael, Verna and her family***, ***Michael***, ***Barb,*** Jen***, the family of Leslie,*** Patrick, ***Jordan, the family of Helen,*** Eleanor, ***Jackie K. (sister of Pauline),*** Lena, ***Dorothy***, ***the family of Mauricia (mother of Ella),*** Max & Rebecca, ***Anne*** , ***Dozy's & Obie's family, Kathy***, ***Kevin, Richard (friend of Anne), Terry, Jerrod, Lynne (sister of Sheila***), ***Melissa and her family (friends of Jenn),*** Dennis***, Mike, Val, Martin, Sheila, Melissa and her family, Adrianna,*** Peggy, Bob and Joanne, ***Laura (sister of Kim), the family of Douglas***, ***Michelle, Ian, the family of Nina,*** Pat, Christine, ***Rick (brother of Sheila), Gwen, Jacqueline, Ellen, Pauline,*** Monika (mother of Dennis), ***Kathy (daughter of Bob & Joanne), Trudy (cousin of Iona), Len, Andrea's and Andrew's family, Margaret,*** Marlene and ***the family of James (father of Allison).***

We pray for containment of the COVID-19 coronavirus worldwide; protection for nurses and all those on the front lines or especially vulnerable to its effects; and full restoration of health for all those who are ill.

We pray for all struggling economically, and all those affected by fires, floods, storms or other natural disasters. We pray for us all to stand together in hard times.

We pray for peace and justice in our own country and for an end to violence throughout the world***—in particular, the violence of racism. We stand in solidarity with all whose lives have been torn apart by violence. We pray for justice for all;*** safe haven for those who have fled their homes; repentance for the perpetrators of evil; and for protection and guidance for all in law enforcement or our military in danger at home or overseas. May your Holy Spirit guide world leaders to seek just resolutions to all conflicts, that all people may come to know your peace that passes all understanding and war be no more.

We thank you for your healing touch, which sustains us every day; ***the improving health of Gina;*** all the many healings that have taken place in our parish; and your unending mercy as you hear our prayers.

The Flower Fund this week is given to the Glory of God by Andrew, Andrea and Kim Webley.