

SECOND READING: Romans 10:5-15

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!”

Reader The Word of the Lord.
All **Thanks be God.**

— *All stand.*

GRADUAL HYMN *“My Life Flows On in Endless Song”* **ELW #763**

GOSPEL: Matthew 14:22-33

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
All **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

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 worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.
All **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

— *All are seated at the invitation of the preacher.*

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Jim Bullion

— *A moment of silence and reflection is observed. All stand with the Presider.*

NICENE CREED

All **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

— *All stand or kneel.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor Confident that God receives our joys and concerns, let us offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation.

— *After each petition:*

Intercessor Hear us, O God,

All **Your mercy is great.**

The Presider adds a concluding Collect. All respond ‘Amen’.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept for reflection.

All **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

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

All **Amen**

— *All stand.*

PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

The congregation is invited to greet one another with the peace of Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

OFFERTORY

Alms basins will be passed during the Offertory. If you don't carry cash or a check, you can give online at our website, or by texting "give" to 229.384.0050. Thank you for your generosity!

— *All stand.*

OFFERTORY CANTICLE *"Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow"* *Old Hundreth*
All **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING – PREFACE

Presider The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, ...for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

GREAT THANKSGIVING – SANCTUS *in front section of H82 #S 125*

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

— *All stand or kneel.*

GREAT THANKSGIVING – EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B *BCP pg. 368*

Presider We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness...Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All **We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

Presider And we offer our sacrifice of praise...all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All **AMEN**

LORD'S PRAYER

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen**

FRACTION ANTHEM *"My Flesh Is Food Indeed"* *in front section of H82 #S 169*

Cantor My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed, says the Lord.

All **My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed, says the Lord.**

Cantor Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood dwell in me, and I in them.

All **My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed, says the Lord.**

INVITATION

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

— *All are seated.*

HOLY COMMUNION

At the direction of the ushers, you are invited to come forward to receive Holy Communion from the center aisle. Please place your hands open in front of you to receive the bread. If you wish to receive wine from the common cup (chalice) or if you wish to receive it by having the bread dipped and placed on your tongue (intinction), please move to the chalice administrator standing off to the side. You may either stand or kneel at the Altar rail for the Chalice.

COMMUNION HYMN I *"When Peace like a River"* **ELW #785**
COMMUNION HYMN II *"Jesus, Lover of my soul"* **H82 #699**

— *All stand at the direction of the Presider.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Presider Let us pray.

All **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen**

BLESSING

The Presider proclaims God's blessing. All respond 'Amen'.

SENDING HYMN *"Sing we of the blessed Mother"* **H82 #278**

DISMISSAL

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Please join us for fellowship in the Parish Hall next door following the worship service.

PARISH SCHEDULE

August 13	11 Pent. – Holy Eucharist	10:00 AM
	Vestry Meeting	11:00 AM
August 20	12 Pent. – Holy Eucharist	10:00 AM
August 21	Men's Steak Night	6:00PM
August 27	13 Pent. – Holy Eucharist	10:00 AM
August 28	St. Clare's Kitchen	10:00 AM

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

ECW will resume meeting on Monday, September 11th at 6 PM in the Parish Hall. This is an organizational meeting. Please plan to attend.

THANK YOU | Fifteen (15) filled Book Bags were delivered to Liberty House. Thank you to all who donated items and filled bags for these children.

THANK YOU | Jackie and the entire Driggers family really appreciated the effort that was put into holding and conducting the visitation, service, and the lunch for the family and close friends on Thursday, July 20. They felt it offered a personal touch that a funeral home cannot achieve. Thanks to all those who volunteered and donated to give Tom a warm-hearted send-off and expressing our condolences to the family.

BACK 40/FOOD FOR A THOUSAND GARDEN | FFT Garden completed this year's potato harvest, which yielded one hundred ninety-one (191) pounds of potatoes that were donated to Neighbors in Need and the Albany Rescue Mission.

SUPPLY PRIEST SCHEDULING | Below are the dates we have been able to secure a supply priest and who they are. If a date is not listed below, we are yet unable to schedule someone. Our Senior Warden will continue to look for supply for the open Sundays, and will also work with the available clergy to schedule 2024 within the next two months.

August 6, 13 & 20, Fr. Jim | August 27, Mtr. Tar
September 3, 10 & 24, Fr. Jim | September 17, Mtr. Tar
October 15, Fr. Jim | October 29, Mtr. Tar
November 5, 12 & 19, Fr. Jim | December 3, 10, 17 & 31, Fr. Jim

GUEST ORGANIST SCHEDULING | Below are the dates we have been able to secure a guest organist and who they are. If a date is not listed below, we are yet unable to schedule someone. Our Senior Warden will continue to look for additional organists for the open Sundays through the end of the year.

August 13, September 10, October 1, November 12 & December 10; Suzanne Unger

CHILDREN'S CHURCH | Every Sunday at 10a during the first half of our worship service children are invited to Sunday School in the Children's Classroom of the Parish Hall building. Here they will learn and do activities related to the lessons for that Sunday, and then they will return to worship with us beginning at the Offertory!

NEIGHBORS IN NEED | Items needed: Cereal, Toilet Paper, Canned Soup.

AUGUST CELEBRATIONS

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARY:

1st – Sam Williamson **9th** – James Clements **10th** – Melody Sheffield **13th** – Kathryn Daniels
19th – Sam & Tracy Stringer

BIRTHDAY:

1st – Stacey Driggers **6th** – Jimmy Davis, Celie Hogue **7th** – Karen Dees, Glenda Franklin, Tracy Stringer
11th – Ralph Rodgers **12th** – Jim Sheffield, Alan White **13th** – Kathryn Daniels **16th** – Alex Moreschi
18th – Alex Hart **19th** – Adia Sakura-Lemessy **21st** – Anna Arnold **23rd** – Buster Arnold **27th** – Jane Swanson
30th – Tony Moreschi

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:

10th – Bob & Aida Cerney

KEEP IN PRAYER

Doris Alley, Cheryl Girtman, Susan Cochran, Lana Blackwell, Bill Nordstrom, Hugh Waters, Loring Gray, Carmel Taylor, Christopher Bevington, Sue Jerina, Julie Bravo, Missy Simmons, Myra Hundley, Jeff Williamson, Michael Brunson, Albert Timmons, Stephen J., Butch Tiell, Elsbeth Hebert, the Wingo Family, Stacey Fleming-Weeks, Vivian Fleming, M. Johnson, Bonnie & Charlie Hough, David Hogue, Shavonya Wade, Steve Williams, Gary Shafer, Sue Young, Jessie, Ann Young, Donna Timmons, Jackie Powell, Steve & Nancy Jackson, Michael Price, Steve Tanner, Jessica Thompson, Micki Hundley Addleman, Donna Prescott, Maxx Bourgeault, Savannah Esway, Jay Howard & Family, Jim Howard, Al Seely-Wilson, and Evie Tsasis.

<u>SERVING IN WORSHIP</u>	<u>TODAY</u>	<u>NEXT SUNDAY</u>
COFFEE HOUR:	Orva and Tom Voth	<i>Please sign up in Parish Hall</i>
ALTAR GUILD:	Sandra Rowe, Loretta Williamson	Joyce Bridges-Judkins
OFFERTORY BEARERS:	Orva and Tom Voth	John and Nancy Griffin
GREETERS:	Libby Sisson	John and Nancy Griffin
USHERS:	Rose Dunlap, Marian White	Brian and Loretta Williamson
A/V TEAM:	Lucas Wingard	Lucas Wingard
READERS:	Orva and Tom Voth	Joyce Bridges-Judkins
ACOLYTES:	Daniella and Emmanuella Okafor	Lamon Brand
CHALICE ADMINISTRATOR:	Joe Wingard	Sam Stringer
VERGER:	Lamon Brand	Carolyn Brunson

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