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WELCOME TO THE REDEEMER SUNDAY SERVICE

Welcome! We are so glad you're here with us. We hope that this time, though a little unconventional, is a refreshing time of worship and connecting together as the body of Christ. You can either print this bulletin or view it from your phone during the service.

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MEDITATIONS

Christ is...not primarily an example for faith but the object of faith.

– Greshem Machen

Faith is believing that Christ is what He is said to be, and that He will do what He has promised to do, and then to expect this of Him.

– C. H. Spurgeon

CALL TO WORSHIP

May your love and mercy be upon us today, O Lord.

Cleanse and refresh us from every transgression.

Let your joy and gladness dawn in our spirits,

And the recreating power of your Spirit make us new.

Have mercy upon us, O God,

And let your Spirit lead us in truth and righteousness. Amen.

Based on Psalm 51

PRAYING THE SCRIPTURE

⁵ If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him. ⁶ But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind. ⁷ For that person must not suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; ⁸ he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

⁹ Let the lowly brother boast in his exaltation, ¹⁰ and the rich in his humiliation, because like a flower of the grass he will pass away. ¹¹ For the sun rises with its scorching heat and withers the grass; its flower falls, and its beauty perishes. So also will the rich man fade away in the midst of his pursuits.

¹² Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him.

[James 1:5–12](#)

CONFESSION OF SIN

Lord, Jesus, I know that you are with me and you have promised never to leave me or forsake me. But somehow I am still frightened when the storms of life arrive. I panic and wonder if you are truly good, or if you even really care. I begin to look at you and others with suspicion, and sometimes contempt. And I try to rescue myself with work and leisure, sinful escapes, and selfish behaviors. Forgive me, Lord, for failing to trust you with every part of my life and for looking to idols instead of you in my struggles.

GRACE

¹⁵ For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” ¹⁶ The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God

[Romans 8:15–16](#)

SERMON INFORMATION:

SIXTH IN THE SERIES: CLOSE ENCOUNTERS WITH CHRIST

“WATER WALKER”

[MATTHEW 14:22-33](#)

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

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

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