Call To Worship

God of wind and waves, of calm and storm, of cloud and sunshine and rain, may we know your presence beside us today bringing whatever we need in this moment, be it courage or daring, or comfort or sharing.

In that assurance of unconditional love, we worship, the God who draws all in.

HYMN: 623

Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm doth bind the restless wave, who bidd'st 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 Saviour, whose almighty word the winds and waves submissive heard, who walkedst on the foaming deep, and calm amid its rage didst sleep: O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea. O sacred Spirit, who didst brood upon the chaos dark and rude, who bad'st its angry tumult cease, and gavest light and life and peace:

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

O Trinity of love and power, our brethren shield in danger's hour; from rock and tempest, fire and foe, protect them whereso'er they go: and ever let there rise to thee glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

We confess our sins

Knowing we are welcomed and yet knowing that we have not always been deserving of that welcome, your wide arms of grace, O God, are too much to take in.

When we come with our heads dipped in shame you gently lift our heads, gaze into our eyes, and say: welcome child, so good to see you.

Lord, may we never take this for granted, try harder to live up to your gracious welcome, accept your love and, in turn, offer that same love and welcome to all whom we meet. Lord, gracious Lord, hear our prayer. Amen

May the Almighty and all - loving Father forgive us for all the sins we have now confessed to him and help us to serve him better in days to come, through Christ Our Lord. **Amen.**

SONG:

I, the lord of sea and sky,
I have heard My people cry;
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
I will speak My word to them.
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord.
Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night.
I will go, Lord,
If You lead me;
I will hold Your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain;
I have wept for love of them —
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone;
I will speak My word to them.
Whom shall I send?

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame, I will set a feast for them – My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts are satisfied; I will give My life to them.
Whom shall I send?

READING: Luke 8 v22-25

²²One day Jesus got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side of the lake.' So they put out, ²³and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. ²⁴They went to him and woke him up, shouting, 'Master, Master, we are perishing!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. ²⁵He said to them, 'Where is your faith?' They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?'

SERMON

SONG:

I am the Bread of life,

You who comes to Me shall not hunger,

and who believe in Me shall not thirst.

No one can come to Me

Unless the Father draw him.

And I will raise you up,

And I will raise you up,

And I will raise you up on the last day.

The bread that I will give

Is My flesh for the life of the world,

And if you eat of this bread,

You shall live for ever,

You shall live for ever.

And I will raise you up, And I will raise you up,

And I will raise you up on the last day.

Unless you eat

Of the flesh of the Son of Man

And drink of His blood,

And drink of His blood,

You shall not have life within you.

And I will raise you up,

And I will raise you up,

And I will raise you up on the last day.

I am the Resurrection,

I am the Life,

if you believe in Me

Even though you die,

You shall live for ever.

And I will raise you up,

And I will raise you up,

And I will raise you up on the last day.

Yes. Lord. I believe

That You are the Christ.

The Son of God

Who has come

Into the world.

And I will raise you up,

And I will raise you up,

And I will raise you up on the last day

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, who made all things? We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ, who redeemed the world? We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in his Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God?

We believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

PRAYERS

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen

HYMN:

Lord the light of your love is shining In the midst of the darkness, shining; Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us, Set us free by the truth You now bring us, Shine on me, shine on me.

Shine, Jesus, shine,
Fill this land with the Father's glory;
Blaze, Spirit, blaze, Set our hearts on
fire. Flow, river, flow, Flood the nations
with grace and mercy; Send forth Your
word,
Lord, and let there be light.

Lord, I come to Your awesome presence,
From the shadows into Your radiance;
By the blood I may enter Your brightness,
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness. Shine on me, shine on me.

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness So our faces display Your likeness. Ever changing from glory to glory, Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story. Shine on me, shine on me

BLESSING

Go now and be happy, happy that you are loved, happy that you walk in God's way. And the blessing of God be with you, today and every day.

SENDING

As we go from this place, let us take with us, the message of Jesus, the instruction of Jesus, and the hope of Jesus, to teach and to care, to feed and to heal, to look forward in faith, to a better world, and the coming of the Kingdom.