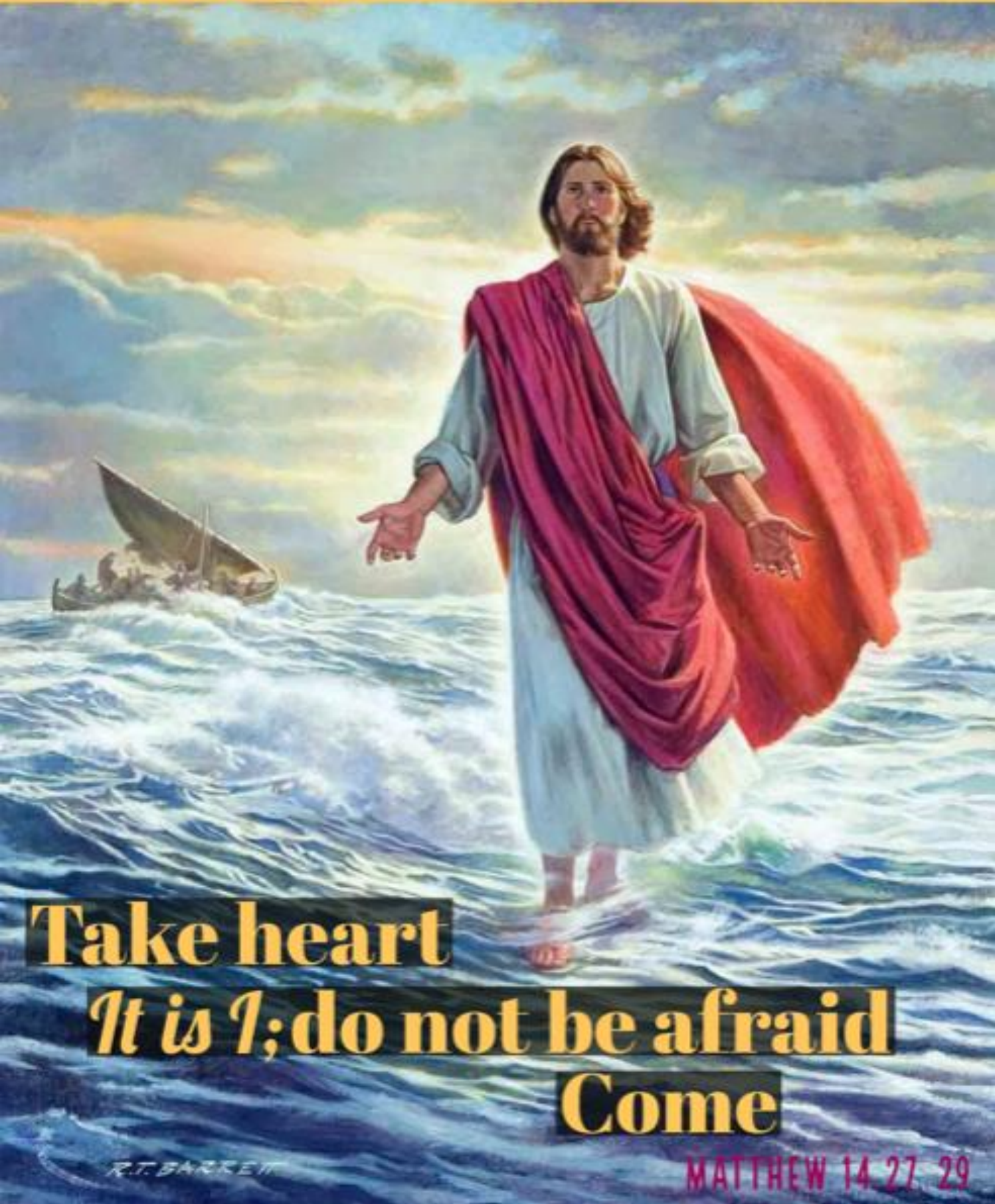


# Prince of Peace Church



**Take heart**

***It is I; do not be afraid***

**Come**

**Sunday August 9, 2020**  
**The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Welcome and Concerns of the Church**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be God, the one who made us,  
The one who heals us, the one who reforms us again and again. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power.  
*(Silence is kept for reflection)*

Source of all life,  
**We confess that we have not allowed your grace to set us free.**  
**We fear that we are not good enough.**  
**We hear your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others to earn it.**  
**We turn the church inward, rather than moving it outward.**  
**Forgive us. Stir us. Reform us to be a church powered by love,**  
**Willing to speak for what is right, Act for what is just,**  
**And seek the healing of your whole creation. Amen.**

God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, God's love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God's people who will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

Let us pray.  
O God our defender, storms rage around and within us and cause us to be afraid.  
Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and  
preserve us in the faith of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

**Children's Moment**

**First Reading: 1 King 19.9-18**

<sup>9</sup> At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" <sup>10</sup> He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your

covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." <sup>11</sup> He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; <sup>12</sup> and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. <sup>13</sup> When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" <sup>14</sup> He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." <sup>15</sup> Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. <sup>16</sup> Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. <sup>17</sup> Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. <sup>18</sup> Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

### **Psalm: 85.8-13**

<sup>8</sup> Let me hear what God the Lord will speak,  
for he will speak peace to his people, to his faithful,  
to those who turn to him in their hearts.

**<sup>9</sup> Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him,  
that his glory may dwell in our land.**

<sup>10</sup> Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;  
righteousness and peace will kiss each other.

**<sup>11</sup> Faithfulness will spring up from the ground,  
and righteousness will look down from the sky.**

<sup>12</sup> The Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

**<sup>13</sup> Righteousness will go before him, and will make a path for his steps.**

### **Gospel: Matthew 14.22-33**

<sup>22</sup> Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. <sup>23</sup> And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup> but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. <sup>25</sup> And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. <sup>26</sup> But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup> But immediately Jesus spoke to them and

said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." <sup>28</sup> Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." <sup>29</sup> He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. <sup>30</sup> But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" <sup>31</sup> Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" <sup>32</sup> When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup> And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

## Message

**Song: Precious Lord # ELW 773**

**Precious Lord**

*Refrain:* Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home.

1. Precious Lord, take my hand,  
lead me on, let me stand,  
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.  
Through the storm, through the night  
Lead me on to the light. *Ref.*

2. When my way grows...drear  
precious Lord, linger near,  
When my life is almost gone,  
hear my cry, hear my call,  
hold my hand lest I fall. *Ref.*

3. When the darkness appears and the night draws near,  
and the day is past and gone, at the river I stand,  
Guide my feet, hold my hand. *Ref.*

## Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## **The Peace Announcements**

### **Prayers of Intercession**

Confident of your care and helped by the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world,  
and all who are in need.

*A brief silence*

For your whole church throughout the world. Give courage in the midst of storms,  
so that we see and hear Jesus calling, "Take heart, it is I: do not be afraid."  
May we follow Christ wherever he leads.  
Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

For the nations and their leaders. In you, steadfast love and faithfulness meet and  
righteousness and peace kiss. May nations in conflict know the peace that is the fruit of  
justice, and the justice that is the path to peace.  
Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

For those in need. Everyone who calls upon your name will be saved. Accompany all  
who are lonely, hear the voices of those who cry out in anguish, and support those who  
are frustrated in their search for an affordable place to live. We pray for those suffering  
this day (*especially*).  
Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

For our congregation. You have gathered us here today as your people and we thank  
you for this gift. We pray for those who are new to this community, for students and  
teachers preparing for a new school year, and for those struggling with unexpected  
hardship. Supply us generously with your grace for our life together.  
Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered*

We give you thanks, O God, for the saints of the whole church from all times and places, and for the saints in our lives and in our community whom you have gathered to yourself (*especially*).

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

In the certain hope that nothing can separate us from your love, we offer these prayers to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

### Blessing:

May the God of steadfastness and encouragement

Grant you to live in harmony with one another,

In accordance with Christ Jesus.

And may the blessing of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit be upon you all the days of your life.

**Amen.**

## Hymn: "Eternal Father Strong to Save" ELW 756

**Melita 888888**

1. Eternal Father, strong to save,  
whose arm has bound the restless wave,  
Who bade the mighty ocean deep  
its own appointed limits keep:  
Oh, hear us when we cry to thee  
for those in peril on the sea.

2. O Savior, whose almighty word  
the winds and waves submissive heard,  
who walked upon the foaming deep,  
and calm amid the storm didst sleep:  
Oh, hear us when we cry to thee.  
for those in peril on the sea

3. O Holy Spirit, who didst brood  
upon the chaos dark and rude,  
and bid its angry tumult cease,  
and give, for wild confusion, peace:  
Oh, hear us when we cry to thee  
for those in peril on the sea.

4. O Trinity of love and pow'r,  
all trav'lers 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 hymns and praise from land and sea.

## Dismissal

Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness; Be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; Render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; Support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people; love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

**Thanks be to God!**

## Thanks for joining us!

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