

Scripture Reading

Matthew 14:22-33

Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd.

After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it.

During the fourth watch of the night Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear.

But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid."

"Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water."

"Come," he said.

Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus.

But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!"

Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?"

And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down.

Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Sermon Resources

Parallel Texts

Mark 6:45-52: Immediately Jesus made his disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. After leaving them, he went up on a mountainside to pray.

When evening came, the boat was in the middle of the lake, and he was alone on land. He saw the disciples straining at the oars, because the wind was against them. About the fourth watch of the night he went out to them, walking on the lake. He was about to pass by them, but when they saw him walking on the lake, they thought he was a ghost. They cried out, because they all saw him and were terrified.

Immediately he spoke to them and said, "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid." Then he climbed into the boat with them, and the wind died down. They were completely amazed, for they had not understood about the loaves; their hearts were hardened.

John 6:16-21: When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, where they got into a boat and set off across the lake for Capernaum. By now it was dark, and Jesus had not yet joined them. A strong wind was blowing and the waters grew rough. When they had rowed three or three and a half miles, they saw Jesus approaching the boat, walking on the water; and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; don't be afraid." Then they were willing to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the shore where they were heading.

Morning Hymn

"Master, the Tempest Is Raging"

Master, the tempest is raging! The billows are tossing high!
The sky is o'ershadowed with blackness; No shelter or help is nigh;
Carest Thou not that we perish? How canst Thou lie asleep,
When each moment so madly is threatening A grave in the angry deep?

Refrain:

"The winds and the waves shall obey My will, Peace, be still!
Whether the wrath of the storm-tossed sea,
Or demons, or men, or whatever it be,
No water can swallow the ship where lies
The Master of ocean, and earth, and skies; They all shall sweetly obey My will;
Peace be still! Peace be still! They all shall sweetly obey My will;
Peace, peace, be still!"

Master, with anguish of spirit I bow in my grief today;
The depths of my sad heart are troubled; O, waken and save, I pray!
Torrents of sin and of anguish Sweep o'er my sinking soul;
And I perish! I perish! dear Master; O hasten, and take control.

Master, the terror is over, The elements sweetly rest;
Earth's sun in the calm lake is mirrored, And heaven's within my breast;
Linger, O blessed Redeemer, Leave me alone no more;
And with joy I shall make the blest harbor, And rest on the blissful shore.

City Church Announcements

In Passing. We regret to inform you of the passing of our long-time church member, June Casebeer, Noel May's sister. She was living with her daughter for the last year in North Carolina, where she will be buried. If you wish to send a card to the family, call the church office for further information.

Memorial Service. A memorial service for Walter "Skip" P. Foster will be held **today, May 5, 2:00 p.m.** in the Sanctuary. There will be childcare available.

Young Children and Worship meets today after the Children's Sermon.

New Church Directory Photos. Do not forget to take your picture today for the new City Church Directory. A free personal copy of your photo will be available—ask the photographer for more details.

Guest Choir Director. Please welcome our guest choir director today, Ariel Quintana.

Our own Jubilate Singers (ages 7-13) will be joining a 100+ voice children's choir at the 2007 Kodaly Honors Chorus Festival. Guest conductor is Laura Kevarian-Pitts of Occidental. Performance is May 12 in Liberty Hall at Hollywood Hills Forest Lawn at 4:00 p.m. *Admission is free and all are welcome!*

Glendale Academy Centennial Celebration! GAA will host Centennial events all weekend long, and you are welcome to attend. See calendar of events and flyer in the Narthex.

Organ Recital. Our organist, Kemp L. Smeal, will be presenting a noon-day organ recital at Pasadena Presbyterian Church on Wednesday, May 16 at beginning at 12:10 p.m. The recital is open to the public with free admission. The church is located at 585 E. Colorado Blvd., Pasadena.

Music Memorial for Wayne Hooper. Today, 4:00 p.m. at Vallejo Drive Church. He sang two decades with the King's Heralds Quartet and coordinated production of the current Seventh-day Adventist Church Hymnal. A reception will follow the service.

Upcoming Sermons

May 12	Family Sabbath	Denise Kasischke
May 19		Leif Lind

Sunset tonight – 7:32 p.m. Sunset next Friday – 7:37 p.m.

Order of Worship

10:50 am – 12:10 pm

Prelude "Thou Whose Purpose Is to Kindle" *Haan*

Morning Hymn "Master, the Tempest Is Raging!" *See Bulletin*

Entering of the Light

Call to Worship Mitchell Henson

By the Word of the Lord were the Heavens made
The starry hosts were formed by his mouth

**Continue your creation in us today,
Oh God, as we worship.**

Gifts of the Congregation Michael Quishenberry

Anthem "Hallelujah" *G. F. Handel*

Worship in Giving

Morning Offering Lee Posner
Offertory Helene Quintana

Children's Sermon Denise Kasischke

Greeting & Prayers of the Congregation* Mitchell Henson

Prayer Response

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;

All I have needed Thy hand hath provided,

Great is Thy faithfulness! Lord unto me!

Anthem "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" *J. S. Bach*

Scripture Matthew 14:22-33

Sermon "Get Out of the Boat?" Mitchell Henson

Benediction

Choral Benediction "Lead Me, Lord" *S. Wesley*

Postlude "Fanfare" *Lemmens*

* Gabriel Vascilescu, brother of George Vascilescu, former maintenance man of City Church, has asked us to remember him in prayer. He will be anointed this morning at an SDA church in Arkansas, where they live. Gabriel has a liver condition brought on by Hepatitis C.

Sabbath School Options

Class	Age	Location	Symbols/Leaders
Beginners	0-3 yrs	Room 3	Elephant
Kindergarten	3-5 yrs	Room 4	Giraffe
Primary	6-9	Room 2	Eagle
Junior	10-13 yrs	Room 1	Lion
Teen	14-18 yrs	Room 10b	Fish
Prassó	General	Youth Center	
Armenian	General	Room 11	
Romanian	General	Room 13	
Pastor	General	Fellowship Hall	Mitchell Henson
SS Quarterly	General	Chapel	

Worship Options

Option	Location	Sequence
Sanctuary Service	Main Sanctuary	Every Sabbath
Romanian Service	Chapel	1st and 3rd Sabbaths
Armenian Service	Chapel	2nd and 4th Sabbaths
Event	Location	Sequence

Activities

Bell Choir	Youth Center	Friday at 8:00 pm
Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room	Sabbath at 9:15 am
Pathfinders	GAMC Gymnasium	Tuesday at 6:45 pm
Sunshine/Jubilate Singers	Room 10b	Sabbath at Noon
Bible Study	Council Room	Monday at 7:00 p.m.
Marathon Clinic	Verdugo Park	Sunday at 7:00 a.m.

Church Directory

Pastors

Mitchell Henson, Senior Pastor
Denise Kasischke, Family & Children Ministries
Michael Quishenberry, Pastor of the Parish
Hovik Sarrafian, Armenian Senior Pastor
Vartkes Azadian, Armenian Associate Pastor
Constantin Balan, Romanian Senior Pastor

Officers

Head Elder	Douglas Schultz
Head Deacon	—
Head Deaconess	Eleanor Posner
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A+ School Board Chair	Colette Witt
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Organist	Kemp Smeal
Children's Choir Director	Lissie Quishenberry
Bell Choir Director	Ariel Quintana
Secretary	Victoria Lucero
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Church Clerk	Mindi Rüb
A+ School Principal	Jeanie Drake
Pathfinder Leader	Warren Dale

Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.; Friday 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

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