

First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 10, 2014

10:00 a.m.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Hymn Sing (9:45)

Concerns of the Church

Prelude "Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen" Traditional

Call to Worship

Let us give thanks to the Lord, and let us call on God's name,

Let us sing God's praises! Let us glory in God's holy name!

Let us remember all that God has done: miracles and judgments alike.

Let us be bold in telling the people of the great things

God has done.

For the world is in great need of hearing good news for a change.

How lovely are the messengers that bring us the gospel of peace.

Let us worship God!

* Hymn 388 "Come All Ye People"

Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession

Gracious and Merciful God,

You call us out to spread your word of love and peace

in a tumultuous world. Mostly we are glad to do so.

**But we admit that there are times when we get more caught up
with words of criticism, complaint and easy gossip.**

**We admit that there are times that, just when we should be
proclaiming our faith, we find ourselves being quiet,**

especially if it seems our words will be received with resentment.

**Forgive us, Lord, when our words and deeds do not reflect the
truth that is in us. We recognize that at such times, our faith is**

most at risk. Help us to perceive that your hand is always

extended and ready to pull us to safety when we call on you.

* Silent Confession

* Assurance of Pardon

* Passing of the Peace

* Gloria Patri (581)

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

Special Music "One More Angel in Heaven" Webber

Psalter: Psalm 105:16-22, 45b

Special Music "Scherzo and Trio" Giabelli

Second Lesson: Matthew 14:22-23

Sermon: "A Walk on the Wild Side" Ms. Loughney

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 414 "Be Still and Know That I Am God"

* Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed (Hymnal, p. 35)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory "Ballade" Bargmuller

* Doxology (606)

* Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 726 "Will You Come and Follow Me?"

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude

“Trumpet Tune”

Mouret

* All who are able shall stand.

The flowers this morning have been given by Jo and John Conklin in appreciation for all who serve this church and also from John with love to Jo on her birthday, August 15.

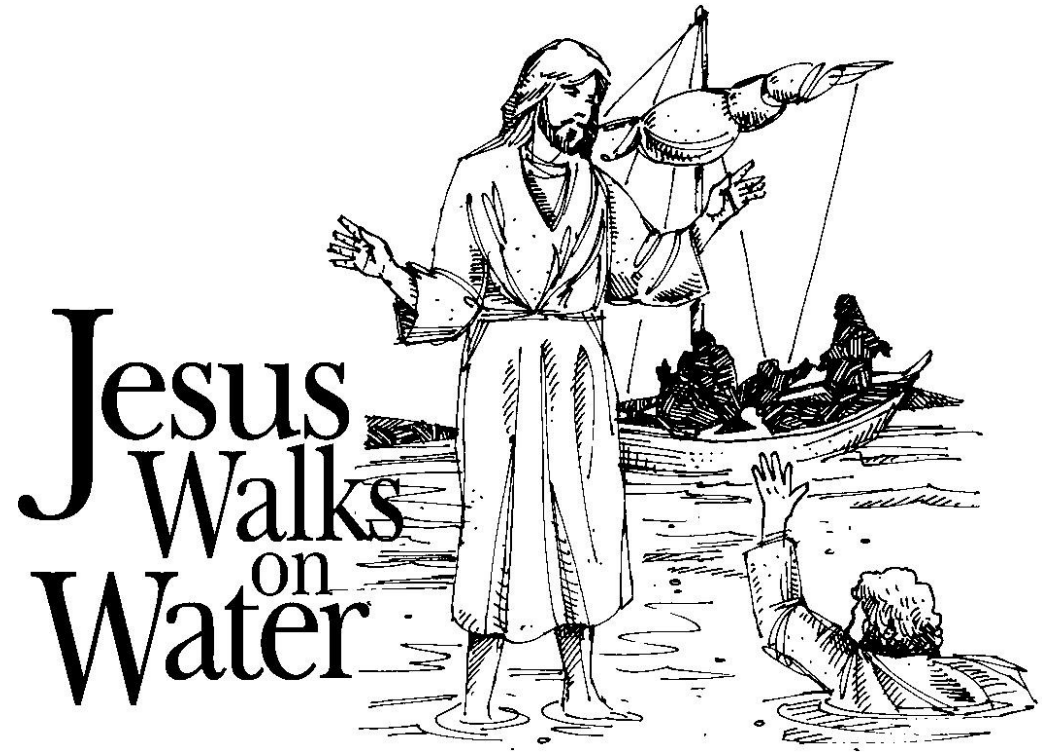
PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Guest Preacher	Lorrie Loughney
Organist	Kay Ten Eyck
Soloist	Kathleen Shedlock
Liturgists, Pianists	Norahbelle Daubenhauser
	Lizzie Worrell
Joyful Noise leaders:	<i>Joyful Noise will resume next week</i>
Ushers	Meg Hatch, Betty Keen



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Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him.

Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron. He came to Shechem, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him" —that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father.

So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it. Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took

Psalm 105:16-22, 45b

When he summoned famine against the land, and broke every staff of bread, he had sent a man ahead of them, Joseph, who was sold as a slave.

His feet were hurt with fetters, his neck was put in a collar of iron; until what he had said came to pass, the word of the LORD kept testing him.

The king sent and released him; the ruler of the peoples set him free. He made him lord of his house, and ruler of all his possessions, to instruct his officials at his pleasure, and to teach his elders wisdom. that they might keep his statutes and observe his laws. Praise the LORD!

Matthew 14:22-23

Immediately he 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.