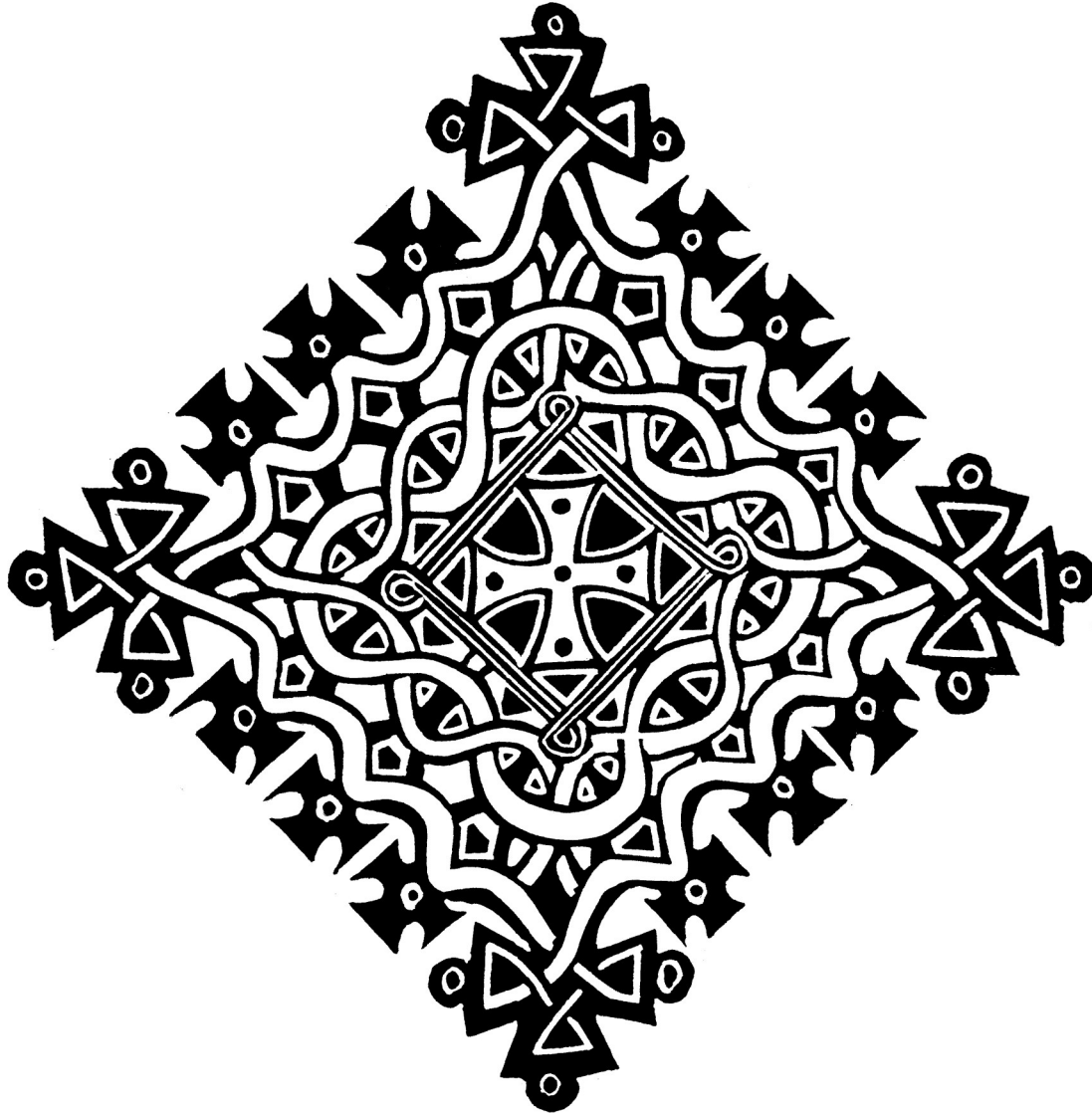


# Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

## Commemoration of the Emanuel Nine



June 20, 2021  
10:30 AM

Join us for our livestream at <https://www.facebook.com/stjohnssummit/>  
or <https://www.youtube.com/user/StJohnsSummitNJ>



**Everyone is welcome.** As people of God, St. John's welcomes all regardless of age, economic status, ethnic background, gender, physical or mental ability, race or sexual orientation. We affirm that in Christ "there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female." (Galatians 3:28) This is Christ's church, and Christ has bid you come.

**June 20, 2021**

**Today's altar flowers** are given to the glory of God.

**Commemoration of the Emanuel 9: TODAY**, St. John's, along with the ELCA, will commemorate the martyrdom of the Emanuel 9. Our Antiracism Committee will also be hosting a conversation at **9:00 AM** in Hinman Hall. For ELCA resources related to the commemoration, click [here](#).

**Honoring of Graduates, June 27:** We will offer a blessing for our graduates next Sunday during worship. Please send your congratulations to our graduates. Contact information can be obtained from the church office.

**In-Person Worship Needs Your Help!** Please fill out this questionnaire to help with these services: (<https://tinyurl.com/3s49f4nn>).

**ASP Sponsorship Fundraiser** is going on now. See the sign-up board in the narthex.

**Rally for Social Ministry FINAL WEEK:** This is the last week to help support five of St. John's hunger and housing ministry partners. To date, we have raised \$1800 of the goal of \$5000. Make all donations **DIRECTLY TO ST. JOHN'S** with a check or through the "Special Offerings" category using this [secure link](#). Please fill out this form when you donate: (<https://tinyurl.com/4uawmecv>). This week we are collecting for [Family Promise](#).

**Rally for Social Ministry Worship & Celebration:** Outdoor worship service, **June 27 at 5:00 PM**. There will be a celebration rally after the service with music, dancing, fellowship, food preparation for Bridges, and a food drive for Loaves and Fishes. Food drive items needed includes pasta, pasta sauce, canned tuna or chicken, canned stews, hearty soups, rice, canned vegetables, instant coffee, cereal, oil, dried or canned beans, peanut butter, jelly & cake mixes.

**Rummage Sale, July 9 & 10.** Clean out your closets! Donation drop-off begins July 4.

**Altar Flowers:** With worship returning to the sanctuary, altar flowers will resume! Please sign up in the rear entry. The weekly flower cost to the church is \$80. Please give as you are able, online or with a check.

**Giving Is Important.** We count on your generous offerings to continue to do our robust ministry. Please give generously. You may [give online](#) or mail checks to the church.

### **Prayer Before Worship**

Holy God, you created the world and all that is in it. The wind and the sea obey your Son.  
You are the source of our strength and our confidence is in you.  
All praise be to you, our stronghold and savior. Amen.

*From Feasting on the Word Worship Companion, Year B, Vol. 2*

### **Gathering**

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

**PRELUDE** Setting of *Melita*

By Robert A. Hobby (b. 1962)

### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

**Most merciful God, we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

# GATHERING HYMN ELW 756 Eternal Father, Strong to Save

## Verses 1 & 4

1. E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm has bound the  
4. O Trin - i - ty of love and pow'r, all trav - 'lers guard in

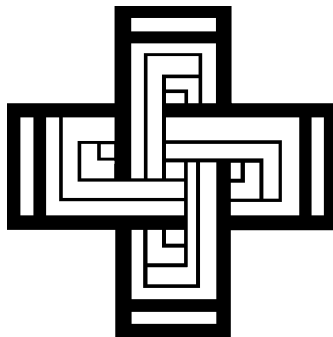
rest - less wave, who bade the might - y o - cean deep its  
dan - ger's hour from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -

own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: oh, hear us when we  
tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er-more shall

cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
rise to thee glad hymns and praise from land and sea.

Text: William Whiting, 1825-1878, alt.

Music: MELITA, John B. Dykes, 1823-1876



## **APOSTOLIC GREETING**

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.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray. O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

### **Word**

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

## **READING** 2 Corinthians 6:1–13

<sup>1</sup>As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. <sup>2</sup>For he says,

“At an acceptable time I have listened to you,  
and on a day of salvation I have helped you.”

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! <sup>3</sup>We are putting no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, <sup>4</sup>but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, <sup>5</sup>beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; <sup>6</sup>by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, <sup>7</sup>truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; <sup>8</sup>in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; <sup>9</sup>as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; <sup>10</sup>as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

<sup>11</sup>We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. <sup>12</sup>There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. <sup>13</sup>In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

*The reader concludes:* The word of the Lord. *The assembly responds:* **Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

## GOSPEL Mark 4:35–41

The Holy Gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>35</sup>When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] “Let us go across to the other side.” <sup>36</sup>And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. <sup>37</sup>A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. <sup>38</sup>But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” <sup>39</sup>He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. <sup>40</sup>He said to them, “Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?” <sup>41</sup>And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

*The gospel is proclaimed, concluding:* The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

The Rev. Blake A. Scalet



## HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 773 Precious Lord, Take My Hand



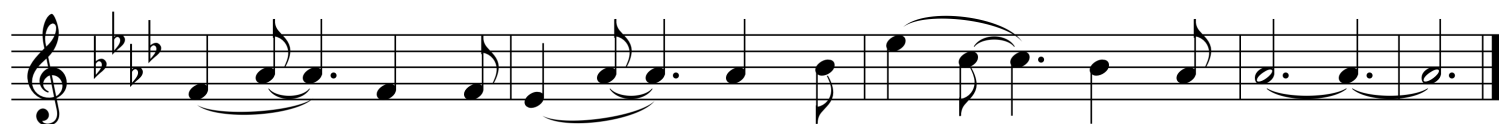
1. Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me  
2. When my way grows drear, Pre - cious Lord, lin - ger  
3. When the dark - ness ap - pears And the night draws



stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.  
near, When my life is al - most gone,  
near, And the day is past and gone,



Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the  
Hear my cry, hear my call, Hold my hand lest I  
At the riv - er I stand, Guide my feet, hold my



light, Take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.  
fall. Take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.  
hand. Take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.

Text: Thomas A. Dorsey, 1899-1993

Tune: PRECIOUS LORD, 66 9 D; George N. Allen, 1812-1877; arr. by Kelly Dobbs Mickus, b.1966

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## APOSTLES' CREED

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.** *Response at the conclusion of the prayer: Amen.*

## LORD'S PRAYER

And now let us pray as our Savior taught us:

**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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

## PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

## GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*We present monetary, food, and other offerings for God's mission and this congregation's ministry. Both visitors and members alike may use the pew envelope to make a contribution. If you would like to make a one-time or recurring electronic contribution, or want information about mailing checks, you may visit [www.stjohnssummit.org/giving](http://www.stjohnssummit.org/giving) or scan this code.*



## OFFERING MUSIC "Andante"

By Pietro Nardini (1722–1793)

Evelyn Estava, violin

## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. **Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## PRAYER FOR RACIAL JUSTICE

Save us, O God, from ourselves, from racism often cloaked in pious words, from the machinations of white supremacy hidden in calls for civility, from micro aggressions thinly veiled in arrogance, from apologies when they don't give way to action, from forgiveness without facing the truth, from reconciliation without reparation. Deliver us, O God, from expecting siblings of color to continue to bear this emotional work, which is not theirs to do. Grateful for the long arc that bends toward justice, we pray: Grant us wisdom, give us courage for the facing of these days, by the power of the Spirit, all for the sake of the kin-dom that we share in Christ Jesus. **Amen.**



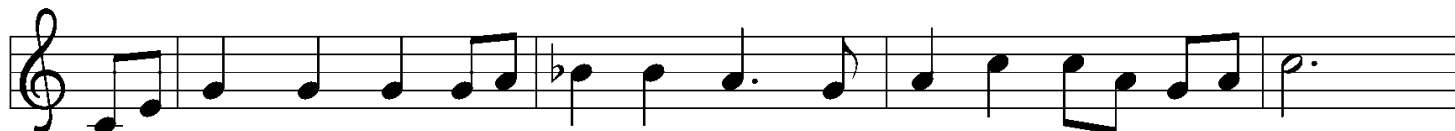
## Sending

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

### BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**

### SENDING HYMN ELW 650 In Christ There Is No East or West



- 1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north,
- 2 In Christ shall true hearts ev-'ry-where their high com-mu-nion find;
- 3 Join hands, dis-ci-ples of the faith, what-e'er your race may be.
- 4 In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north;



but one com-mu-ni-ty of love through-out the whole wide earth.  
his ser-vice is the gold-en cord close bind-ing hu-man-kind.  
All chil-dren of the liv-ing God are sure-ly kin to me.  
all Christ-ly souls are one in him through-out the whole wide earth.

Text: John Oxenham, 1852–1941, alt.

Music: MCKEE, African American spiritual; adapt. Harry T. Burleigh, 1866–1949

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE Setting of *McKee*

By Dale Wood (1934–2003)



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- Today is the **4<sup>th</sup> Sunday** after Pentecost.
- During the season after Pentecost, we learn about the **Holy Spirit**.
- The Holy Spirit is **always with us**.
- The Holy Spirit brings us God's **peace**.

## Seed Storm

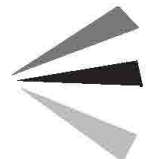
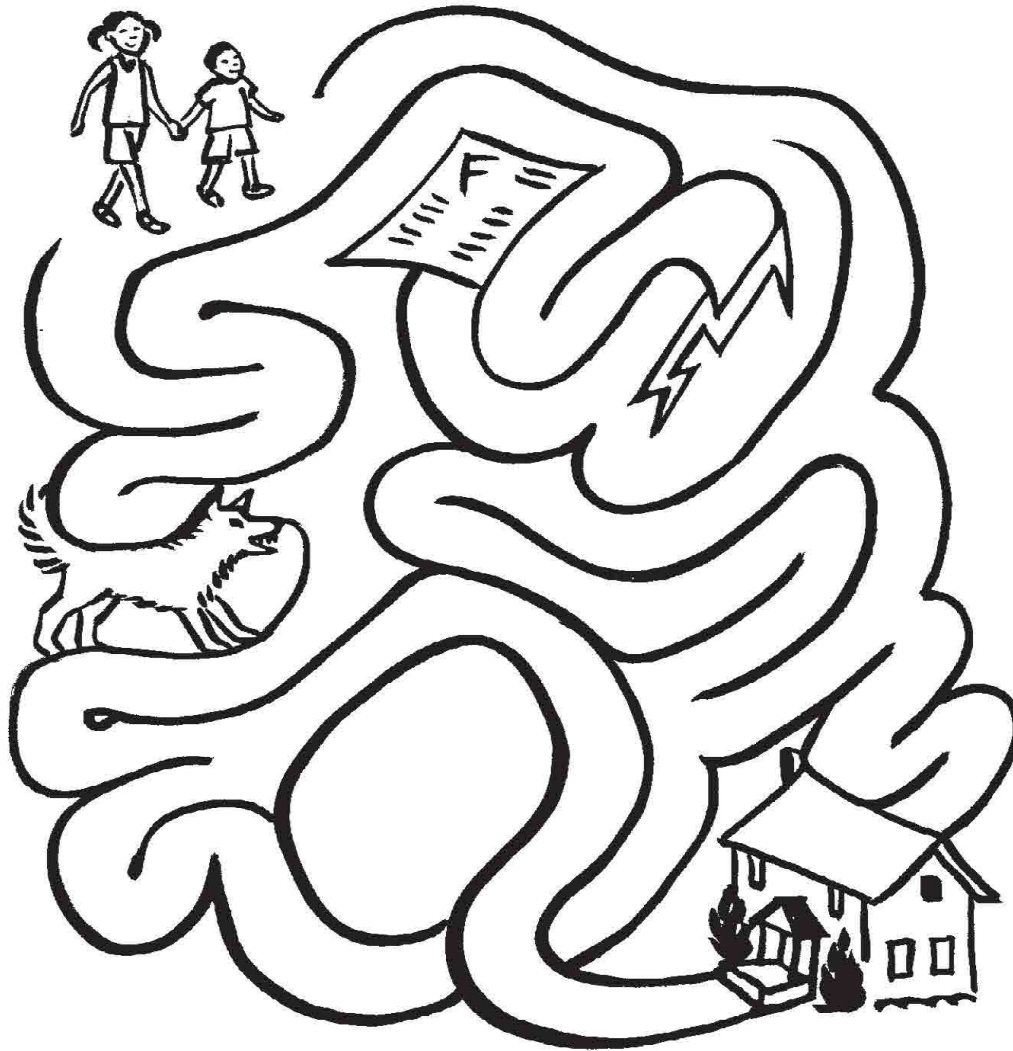
A huge wind is blowing this tree. Seeds will blow off and start new trees somewhere else. Continue each line and draw a new tree in a new place.



# Safely Home

It is good to have Jesus as our friend when things are not going well. These kids are afraid they will get lost in their new neighborhood. They prayed, "Dear God, be with us on your way. Amen."

**Follow the maze to help the kids get home. Circle the things in the maze that make you afraid or worried. Add a picture of another worry in the empty space.**



Two words got blown out of order in each phrase below. Can you figure out which ones? Check your work by looking up Mark 4:39.

## Memory Verse



He woke up and rebuked the sea,  
and said to the wind,

**Still!**  
**Be peace!**

Then the calm ceased, and there was a dead wind.



## Look It Up!

Read about another time the disciples freaked out on a stormy lake in Matthew 14:22-33.

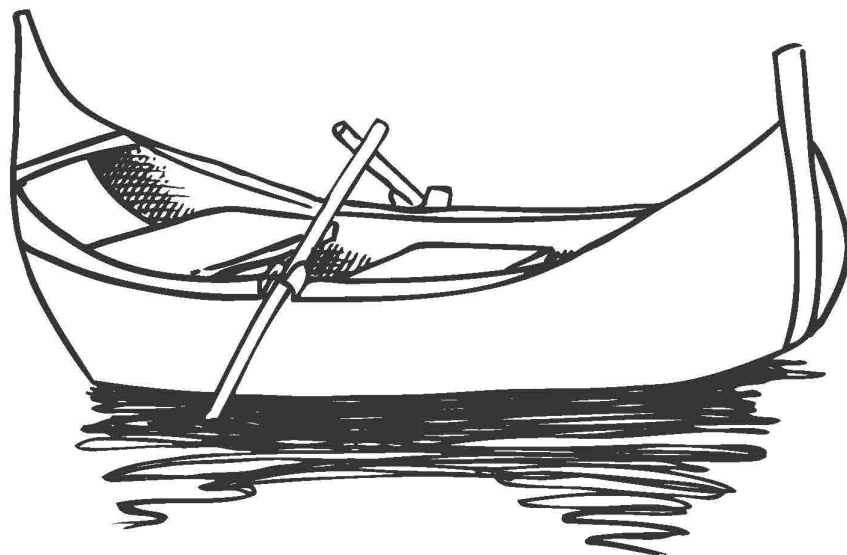
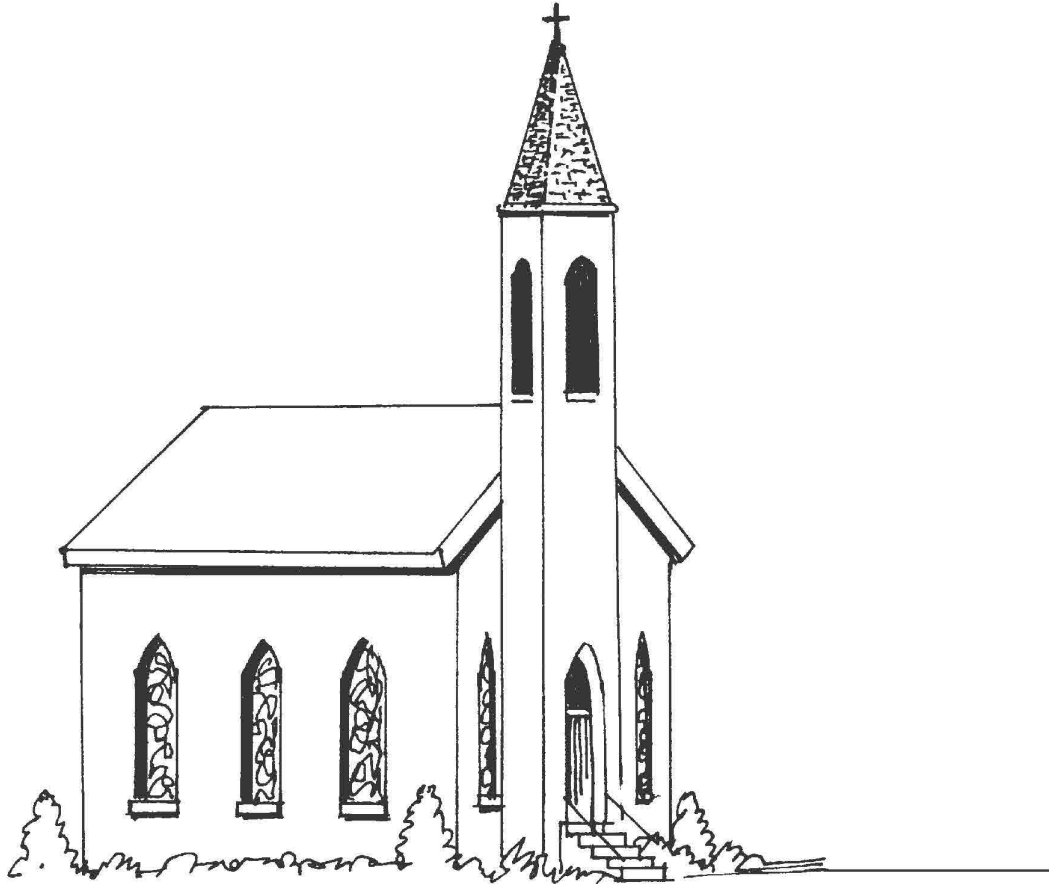


# Church or Boat?

Look around your church. Think about what happens during worship.

In the picture of the boat write 5 ways church is like a boat.

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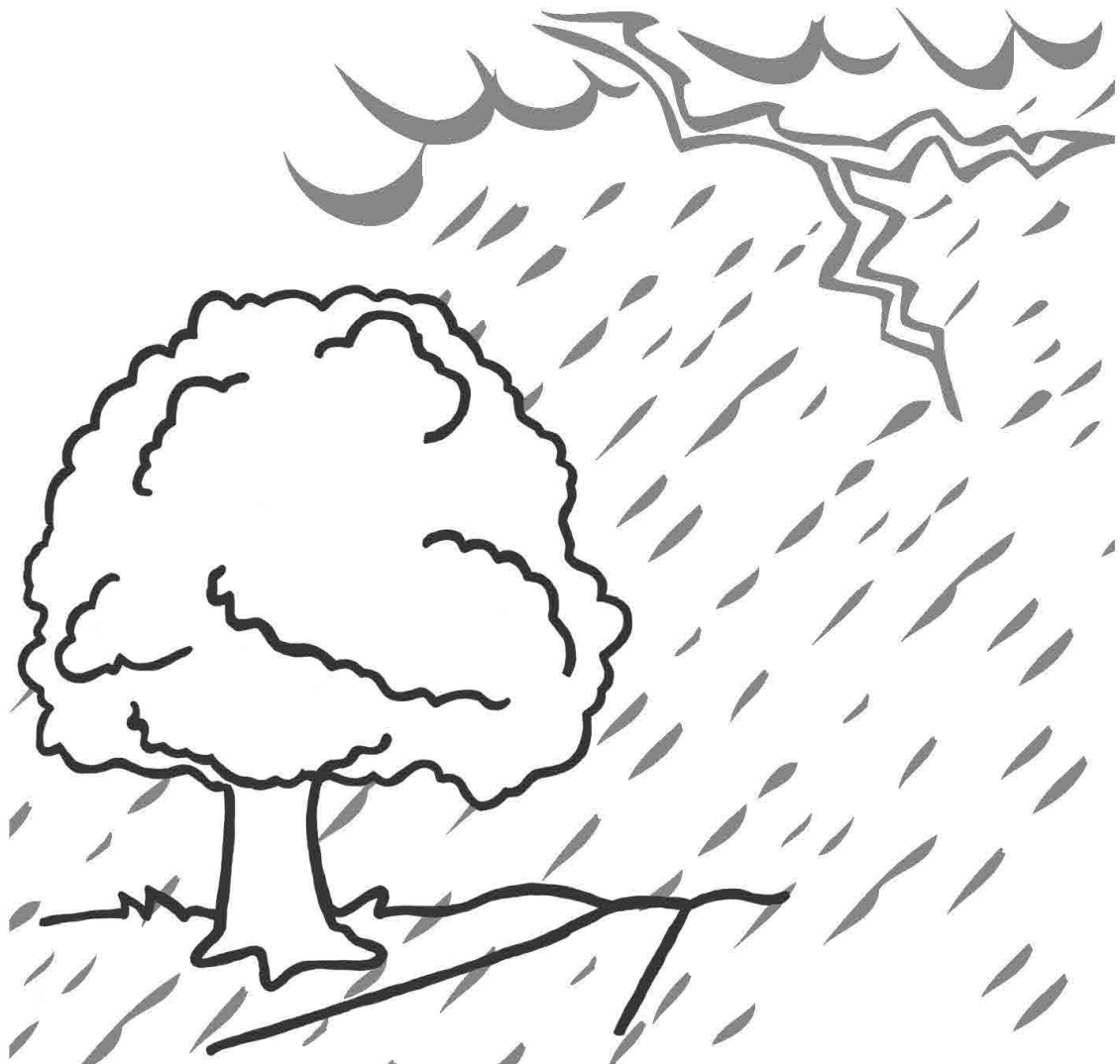
# PRE-READER

Pentecost 4

- Today is the **4<sup>th</sup> Sunday** after Pentecost.
- God is **always with us**, during the season after Pentecost and always.
- God brings us **peace**.

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What would this tree look like in a big storm?



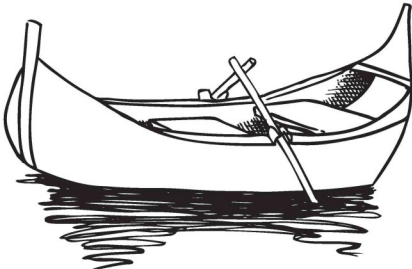
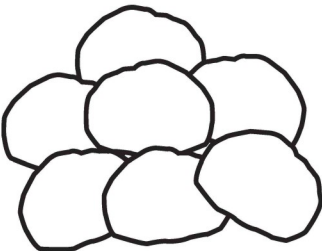
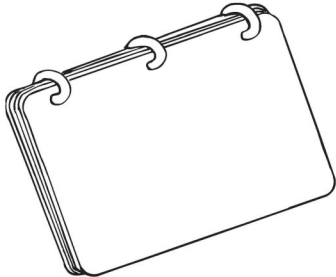
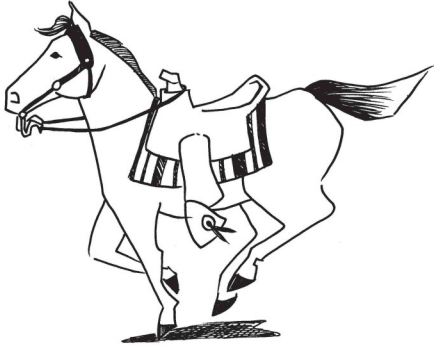


**Jesus stood up in the boat and lifted his arms. "Peace. Be still."**





Circle the things that are still. Draw a line under the things that move.

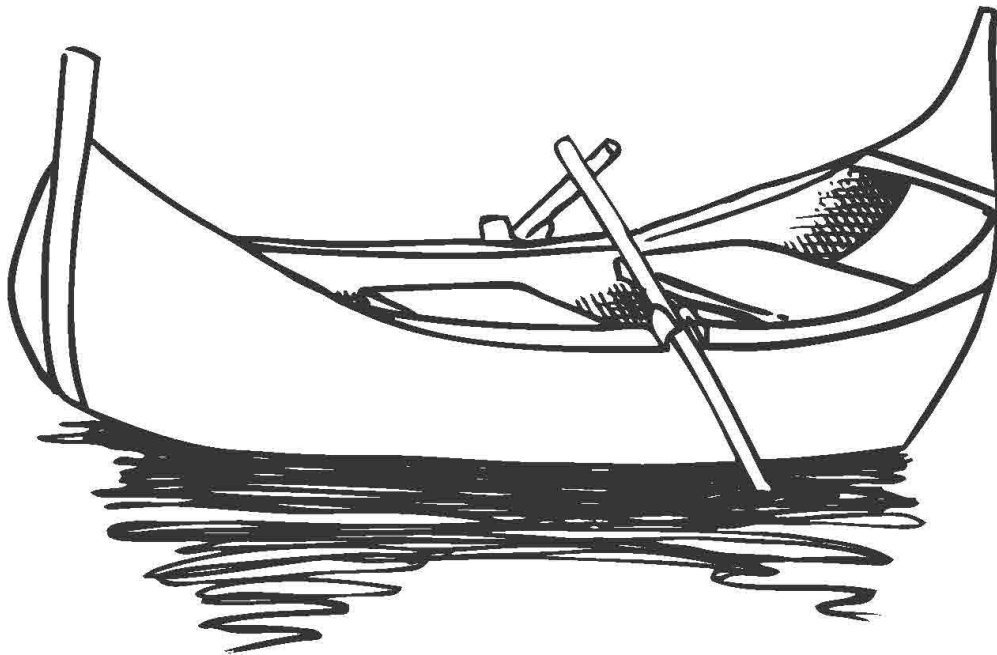


Jesus sat with his disciples in the boat.

**Who do you sit with at church?  
Add them to this boat.**



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