



June 14, 2020. The 2nd Sunday after Pentecost. Part two of “Unraveled” series.

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

Prelude

Greeting

Call to Worship

One: Gracious God, we bring you the broken parts of ourselves.

All: Hem us in before and behind.

One: Creator God, we bring you the joyful parts of ourselves.

All: Weave us together in hope and praise.

One: God of new life, we bring you doubt and faith knotted up in our hearts.

All: Unravel our doubt. Weave faith into our hearts.

Draw us together and point us toward you.

One: In hope and faith we pray. In hope and faith we worship.

All: Amen.

Prayer of Confession

God of the wind and the sea, You invite us to be brave, but we are more familiar with fear. You invite us to trust you, but we'd rather trust wind and gravity. You invite us to believe in ourselves, but we have never been good at that. You invite us to move—to change and take a risk— But we stay planted where we are, afraid of the ways growth might hurt. Forgive us for our self doubt and fear. We believe, despite our unbelief. Amen.

(Pause for Silent Confession)

Words of Assurance and Passing of the Peace

Hymn #333

“I’m Goin’ a Sing When the Spirit Says Sing”

vs. 1,2,4

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

Offering and Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn

“Unraveled by Uncertainty” - See Attached

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Matthew 14:22-33

22 Right then, Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go ahead to the other side of the lake while he dismissed the crowds. 23 When he sent them away, he went up onto a mountain by himself to pray. Evening came and he was alone. 24 Meanwhile, the boat, fighting a strong headwind, was being battered by the waves and was already far away from land. 25 Very early in the morning he came to his disciples, walking on the lake. 26 When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified and said, “It’s a ghost!” They were so frightened they screamed.

27 Just then Jesus spoke to them, “Be encouraged! It’s me. Don’t be afraid.”

28 Peter replied, “Lord, if it’s you, order me to come to you on the water.”

29 And Jesus said, “Come.”

Then Peter got out of the boat and was walking on the water toward Jesus. 30 But when Peter saw the strong wind, he became frightened. As he began to sink, he shouted, “Lord, rescue me!”

31 Jesus immediately reached out and grabbed him, saying, “You man of weak faith! Why did you begin to have doubts?” 32 When they got into the boat, the wind settled down.

33 Then those in the boat worshipped Jesus and said, “You must be God’s Son!”

Sermon

“Peter Sinks”

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

Musical Offering “Amazing Grace”

Gail Novak, piano Mesa, AZ

Blessing

Postlude

Unraveled by Uncertainty

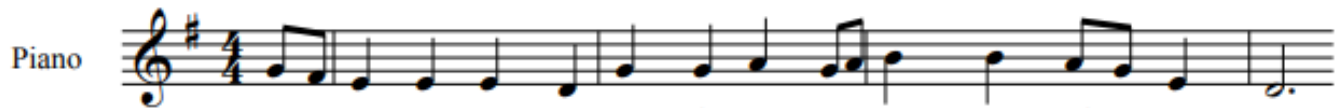
A Hymn Inspired by Matthew 14:22-33

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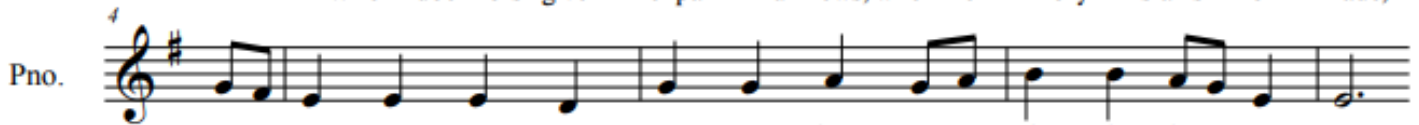
Tune: KINGSFOLD

Meter: CMD (8.6.8.6. D)

Music: English County Songs, 1893



Un - ra - veled by un - cert - ain - ty, the wa - ters stir our doubt,
The boat was bat - tered by the waves, the wind with fu - ry blew;
"Take heart, my friends!" he yelled at them as thund - er bashed their ears.
Then Je - sus saw his friend's di - stress and reached for Pe - ter's hand.
When doc - tors give the pain - ful news, when mem - ory starts to fade,



though sea sur - rounds us on all sides, our faith is in a drought.
what once was bad turned quick - ly worse, their dread - ful pa - nic grew.
"Fret not, for I AM with you now, God's strong - er than your fears."
He held him in the sa - vage storm, it ceased at his com - mand.
when bul - lets fly and child - ren die, and trust has been be - trayed,



When storms a - rise and weath - er turns, our ba - lance comes un - done,
But through the rain they saw a man who walked up - on the waves,
Then Pe - ter stepped out from the boat and walked to reach his friend,
Then Pe - ter saw his faith - ful friend, his source of sa - ving love;
come, Je - sus save us from the depths and hold our hands se - cure,



and right when we think all is lost, God's work has just be - gun.
they hoped that he would keep them safe from go - ing to their graves.
but soon dis - trac - tion took its toll, he start - ed to des - cend.
he knelt in praise and wor - shipped God, for strength sent from a - bove.
When cer - tain - ty seems but a dream, your stead - fast love en - dure.



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WEEKLY GPS

GROW

PRAY

STUDY

Coming Next:

"Unraveled"

June 21	Rizpah Mourns Her Sons	2 Samuel 3:7; 21:1-14
June 28	Zacchaeus invited	Luke 19:1-10
July 5	Pharaoh Hardens	Exodus 5:1-2, 7:8-23

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THE WEEK: Matthew 14:27

Just then Jesus spoke to them, "Be encouraged! It's me. Don't be afraid."

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Monday	Matthew 16:13-29	Peter's declaration about Jesus
Tuesday	2 Samuel 2:1-11	David made King in Hebron
Wednesday	2 Samuel 3:1-7	War between David and Saul
Thursday	2 Samuel 11:1-14	David's greatest sin
Friday	2 Samuel 12:1-15	Nathan announces judgment upon David
Saturday	2 Samuel 20:1-13	Sheba's rebellion against David

CARING CONVERSATIONS or REFLECTIONS

- ◇ **Thinking about this week's story:** Jesus walks on water in three of the four Gospels (Luke does not include it). Matthew's however, is the only one that includes the part about Peter getting out. What does this add to the story? Why is it important that Peter got out, walked, sank, and was rescued?
- ◇ **Thinking About Next Week's Story:** Rizpah mourns the untimely death of her sons. The story of David's rise, struggle, and eventual fall is tragic, violent, and devastating. How could this violence have been prevented?.
- ◇ **Unraveling:** What in your life or heart needs to be unraveled? Is there something that has a tight grip on you that needs to be loosed? What is unraveling around you? What plans, circumstances, or people seem to be unraveling before your eyes? How can God help you?

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This week's Connections Schedule:

Sunday 10:30-11:30—Adult Sunday School

Monday 12:00-1:00 — Bible Study

Wednesday 12:00-12:30—Devotion and Prayer

Wednesday 5:00-6:00 — Youth Zoom*

Thursday 7:00-8:00—Pub Theology*

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