

## WEDNESDAY EVENING LENTEN WORSHIP 4

# CALMING THE STORM

### THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL

*Mark 4:36-41*

On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, '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 gale 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?'

### YOUTH HOMILY by Nolan Burkett

When I first started reading my passage, I was like oh great this is going to be hard. But as I read the story, I was taken back to something that happened to my family.

On Father's Day 2 years ago, my house was struck by lightning. When we heard it was a big boom. My sister started crying and the house smelled like smoke. I was like oh great this has got to be crazy. So my Dad goes and checked the garage roof. It was on fire I was like great this is bad.

After our house got struck by lightning our neighbor across the street Chris came running to our house with a fire extinguisher. My dad tried to pull out a garden hose to put out the fire but it did not really work. We went to his house across the street and waited for the fire trucks. We ended up having 5 fire trucks coming to our house. After watching all that, I went to Chris's house and watched Sponge Bob to get my mind off this fire.

So, we were all fine in the end. I feel God showed protection throughout this situation by not letting us have our house struck at

night but in day where we can get out. Also he shielded us by having good neighbors.

In the story from Mark, a storm comes up suddenly and starts beating the boat. I'm sure the disciples felt scared. And meanwhile, Jesus is sleeping and unaware what is going on. But then, Jesus gets up and says "peace." He didn't freak out or run away. He stayed with them and brought them peace. They were not alone.

Jesus protected the disciples when they were in the storm. The disciples learn more about who Jesus is. He is one who does his ministry in scary places. In stormy times. And when they are in the boat with Jesus, he shields them. He brings peace to their minds and the boat they sit in. Jesus calms the storms in their life and in ours.

When we had a fire at our house, Jesus brought peace and a place to go. He brought a whole community of support to calm the chaotic fires. God gave community help and support when we needed it most.

Maybe when you face a situation that you think is going to be bad, you can recognize that Jesus is still in the boat with us.

**HOMILY**      *Intern Thomas*

**OFFERING ELW 755 *Offering received during Hymn***  
**Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me**

1 Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me o - ver  
2 As a moth - er stills her child, thou canst  
3 When at last I near the shore, and the

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me". It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. There are three verses of lyrics provided below the notes. The first verse is "1 Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me o - ver", the second is "2 As a moth - er stills her child, thou canst", and the third is "3 When at last I near the shore, and the". There are triplets indicated by a '3' above the notes in the treble clef staff.

life's tem - pes - tuous sea; un - known waves be - fore me  
 hush the o - cean wild; bois - t'rous waves o - bey thy  
 fear - ful break - ers roar twixt me and the peace - ful

roll, hid - ing rock and treach - 'rous shoal; chart and  
 will when thou say'st to them: "Be still." Won - drous  
 rest, then, while lean - ing on thy breast, may I

com - pass come from thee. Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.  
 sov - 'reign of the sea, Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.  
 hear thee say to me: "Fear not, I will pi - lot thee."

Text: Edward Hopper, 1818-1888  
 Music: PILOT, John Edgar Gould, 1822-1875

## WORSHIP LEADERS

Youth Homily	Nolan Burkett
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Homily	Intern Thomas

## 2024 MID-WEEK LENTEN SERIES: GOD IS STILL WITH US

**Holden Evening Prayer each Wednesday @ 7pm during Lent**

March 20 (7pm) – Jesus in the Garden – Mark 14:32-41



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