

August 2nd Matthew 14:22-33

A reading from the 14th chapter of the gospel of Matthew

Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. 23 And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, 24 but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. 25 And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. 26 But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, “It is a ghost!” And they cried out in fear. 27 But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, “Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.”

28 Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” 29 He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. 30 But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” 31 Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, “You of little faith, why did you doubt?” 32 When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. 33 And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

L: The gospel of the Lord. **C:** **Praise to you O Christ**

August 9th Haggai 1:2-9

A reading from the 1st chapter of Haggai

In the seventh month, on the twenty-first day of the month, the word of the Lord came by the prophet Haggai, saying: **2** “Speak now to Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, and say: **3** Who is left among you who saw this house in its former glory? How does it look to you now? Is it not in your sight as nothing? **4** Yet now take courage, O Zerubbabel, says the Lord; take courage, O Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; take courage, all you people of the land, says the Lord; work, for I am with you, says the Lord of hosts, **5** according to the promise that I made you when you came out of Egypt. My spirit abides among you; do not fear. **6** For thus says the Lord of hosts: Once again, in a little while, I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land, **7** and I will shake all the nations, so that the treasure of all nations will come, and I will fill this house with splendor, says the Lord of hosts. **8** The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the Lord of hosts. **9** The latter splendor of this house shall be greater than the former, says the Lord of hosts, and in this place I will give prosperity, says the Lord of hosts.”

L: Word of God, Word of life. **C:** **Thanks be to God**

August 16th Mathew 6:2-34

A reading from the 6th chapter of the gospel of Matthew.

Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by worrying can add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear?’ For it is the gentiles who seek all these things, and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

“So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today’s trouble is enough for today.

L: The gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you O Christ**

August 23rd Luke 10:38-42

A reading from the 10th chapter of the gospel of Luke

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him. **39** She had a sister named Mary, who sat at Jesus's feet and listened to what he was saying. **40** But Martha was distracted by her many tasks, so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her, then, to help me." **41** But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things, **42** but few things are needed—indeed only one. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

L: The gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you O Christ**

August 30th Matthew 6:19-24

A reading from the 6th chapter of the gospel of Matthew.

“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, 20 but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. 21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

22 “The eye is the lamp of the body. So if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, 23 but if your eye is unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If, then, the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!

24 “No one can serve two masters, for a slave will either hate the one and love the other or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

L: The gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you O Christ**