



## ENTRANCE & PRAISE

**Prelude** musical selection by Tim Smith

### Welcome & News

✠ **Call to Worship** Kitty Muro

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good!

**We proclaim here and now  
the marvelous works of our God!**

Let our hearts leap for joy, O people of God.

**We proclaim here and now  
the marvelous faithfulness of our God!**

God's ways are not our ways.

God's works are too wonderful to behold.

**We proclaim here and now  
the marvelous works of our God!**

**Prayer of Invocation** Brinna Kolitz

**Hymn of Praise #629** "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" [v.v. 1, 2, 4] GIFT OF FINEST WHEAT

## PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

**Prayer for Illumination** Kitty Muro

**Lord, we come to you this day, seeking your healing and restoring love. Give us courage to reach out to you in the good and easy times as well as in the times of strain and stress.**

**Open our hearts to receive your message of peace and hope. In Jesus' Name, we pray.  
AMEN.**

✠ **Gospel Reading** "Matthew 14:22-33" [NRSV] Kitty Muro

<sup>22</sup>Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. <sup>23</sup>And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup>but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land,<sup>[a]</sup> for the wind was against them. <sup>25</sup>And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. <sup>26</sup>But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup>But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." <sup>28</sup>Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." <sup>29</sup>He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. <sup>30</sup>But when he noticed the strong wind,<sup>[b]</sup> he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" <sup>31</sup>Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" <sup>32</sup>When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup>And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

U.M. ARMY Reflection

U.M. ARMY Participants

Listening for God's Message

Brinna Kolitz

Hymn of Response W&S #3149

"A Place at the Table"

PLACE AT THE TABLE

Prayers of the People

Words of Assurance

**Don't be afraid. Jesus is with you at all times. You are healed, forgiven, and loved. Come and live in the love of the Lord. AMEN.**

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

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Offertory Prayer

✠ **Doxology #94** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ,  
whose power up lifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## GOING FORTH

✠ **Closing Hymn W&S #3011**

"All My Days"

HIXON

✠ **Commission, Benediction and Passing of the Peace**

May the God of Jacob, Joseph, Reuben, and Judah;  
Peter, James, John, and Andrew;  
Mary, Martha, Ruth, and Lydia,  
grant you grace to abide in God's love,  
give you peace to abide in God's forgiveness,  
and the power to live in God's faithfulness. Amen.

**Postlude**

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