

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Patty Henry, (Aug. 10); Terri Rittenburg, (Aug. 11); Jordayn Dalby, (Aug. 12); Gunta Rottman, (Aug. 12); Joshua Shaver, (Aug. 12); Jane Campbell, (Aug. 13); Derk Lyford, (Aug. 14); Jennifer Lyford, (Aug. 14); Mackail Davis, (Aug. 15); Bev Gossett, (Aug. 16) and trey Muhsman, (Aug. 16). Happy Birthday!

TODAY'S HYMNS were chosen by Andrea Toven.

SUMMER HYMNS: We still need hymns chosen for Aug. 17, 24 and 31. The congregation is invited to pick their favorite hymns. The sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board on the east wall in the Gruver Room.

AN UPDATE ON LAUREDA DOLAN: As most of you may have heard by now, Laureda Dolan had a major heart attack about a week ago. As of this past Thursday she has been moved from Cheyenne back here to the Laramie Care Center. Her condition is critical. Please keep her and Ed in your prayers.

OUR FINANCES: Jan-July budgeted expenses: \$128690.07
(yearly budget divided by 12 * 7)
Jan-July actual general fund expenses (checks written): \$124010.99
Jan-July actual deposits to general unrestricted account: \$120839.82
Financial status: Deposits versus expenses as of 7/31: - \$3171.17

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE urges the congregation to keep up its giving during the summer months because as the January-May report indicates we have little buffer in the general fund at this time and expenses are slightly exceeding revenues.

THE WEDNESDAY WOMEN'S STUDY will be taking a break until September. Any woman, college age or older, is welcome to join us, we would love to have you. Again, we will not be meeting until September.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS: *Mark your calendars!* The first day of Sunday School will be **September 7, 2014** at 9:15 a.m. **ALSO,** There will be a Sunday School Teacher/planning meeting on August 17th at 10am (after church). I know I will be in need of at least one new teacher, so anyone with a desire to serve in this capacity please either attend the meeting or contact Lindsay Conyers @ 399-4185 or yankeebeautiful@yahoo.com.

NURSERY COORDINATOR: We are now accepting applications. This is a paid position that involves scheduling the nursery attendants each month and working closely with church council liaisons to maintain and improve the nursery service. Anyone interested in this position can pick up an application from the church office or from Lindsay Conyers. Thank you. Applications will be accepted no later than Sunday, August 17th."

OUR COFFEE HOUR HAS CHANGED! For the summer months coffee hour will start at 8 a.m. and go until the 9 a.m. service. Please join us for coffee and light breakfast style food before service. This allows those who wish to enjoy the outdoors to get an early start after service is over. Please sign up if you wish to provide goodies. See you bright and early!

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SHARING A CUP OF COFFEE with your fellow worshipers? We need people who are willing to sign up to **bring goodies and/or set up for our Coffee Time and start the coffee.** See the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Gruver Room. Thank You!

SIGN UP! SIGN UP! Would you like to provide flowers Sunday services? There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Gruver Room. Flowers can be given in memory of someone, in honor of someone, or just because.

INTERFAITH is *really* in need of size 5-6 diapers, wipes, noodles, spaghetti sauce and cereal. Of course any donation is always appreciated. People can leave the food in the box at the church, or take their donations directly to Interfaith. Thank you for your thoughtfulness!

MEALS ON WHEELS is seeking volunteer drivers to deliver meals a couple of days a week. If this is something you feel you are able to assist with, please contact the Eppson Center @ 745-1510.

PREPARATION FOR NEXT WEEK: The 10th Sunday after Pentecost: Isaiah 56:6-8; Psalm 67; Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32; Matthew 15:10-28.

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Serving the Church

	<u>TODAY (8/10)</u>	<u>NEXT SUNDAY (8/17)</u>
<i>Lector:</i>	9:00 a.m. Wayne Sutherland	9:00 a.m. Tracy Kidwell
<i>Acolyte:</i>	9:00 a.m. Paul Boss	9:00 a.m. Lindsey Meyer
<i>Ushers:</i>	9:00 a.m. Mark Rehwaldt Jennie Lawrence	9:00 a.m. Bob Campbell Roland Kidwell
<i>Greeters:</i>	9:00 a.m. Doris Eyestone Bob Middleton	9:00 a.m. Debbe, Lindsay & Lily Conyers
<i>Nursery:</i>	9:00 a.m. Rosalind Kidwell	9:00 a.m. Hailey Anderson

Stewards: J. Lawrence & A. Toven *Altar Guild:* Cheryl Wilson

Coffee Fellowship: The Oolman Family

This Week at Trinity

Sunday, August 10	8:00 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship
	9:00 a.m.	Worship (HC)
Tuesday, August 12	9:00 a.m.	Quilters



WE ARE HAPPY to have you with us today. We hope that our worship service has meaning for you and that you will come back and worship with us again soon. Everyone is invited to receive Holy Communion. If you are unable to approach the communion rail and would like to receive communion, please let one of the ushers know and we will come to you. Grape juice (yellow) is available in the center of each tray. For those who wish, a nursery is provided during the worship service just off the South Lobby area, for children ages 5 and younger.

PRAYER REQUEST CARDS are found in the back of the pew in front of you. If you wish, please fill them out and hand them to the usher during the hymn after the sermon. PEW PADS are found at the inside end of each pew. Please fill them out, pass them down to the end, and then return them to the center.

PLEASE RECYCLE THE BULLETINS: You are encouraged to take home any part of the bulletin that you would like. **Please** recycle the pieces that you do not choose to keep by putting them at either end of the pews at the back of the church. Help us save some trees! Thanks.

RIDE MINISTRY: Since there are now several people at church who need rides to worship, we are forming a Ride Ministry. If you are interested in helping out please call the church office @ 745-4222 or talk with Lois Hiller, 742-6455.

SECOND LESSON: Romans 10:5-15

A right relationship with God is not something we achieve by heroic efforts. It is a gift received in the proclamation whose content is Jesus Christ. This proclaimed word creates our faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Hence Christian proclamation is an indispensable component of God's saving actions.

⁵Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." ⁶But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷or 'Who will descend into the abyss?' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸But what does it say?

"The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart"

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. ¹¹The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

¹⁴But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? ¹⁵And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

*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. Al - le - lu - ia.

*GOSPEL READING: Matthew 14:22-33

Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew's gospel typically portrays Jesus' disciples as people of "little faith" who fail despite their best intentions. In this story, Matthew shows how Jesus comes to the disciples when they are in trouble and sustains them in their time of fear and doubt.

²²Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. ²⁵And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. ²⁶But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

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

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILCREN'S SERMON:

Andrea Toven

SERMON:

Andrea Toven

HYMN: "Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service"

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*APOSTLES' CREED

**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**

Filled by the Spirit, let us join the whole people of God in Christ Jesus in praying for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

Lord of all, how beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news. We pray for missionaries across the world. Keep them safe and bless the work they do in your name. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

You have given us vast seas, great lands, and abundant natural resources to feed a hungry planet. Give us also grateful hearts and willing hands to care for these good gifts. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Be present with those across this earth who are hiding from their enemies, and who are afraid they are all alone. Wrap them securely in the mantle of your loving presence. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Calm the storms that sweep across families dealing with the death of a loved one, and the grief of those who mourn. Fill their aching hearts with your peace and hope for the future. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Guide pastors, teachers, volunteers, and worship planners as they prepare educational opportunities for all ages, and creative ways to worship you. Place your word on their lips and in their hearts. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Faithful One, thank you for all the saints who have gone before us. We take heart in your saving grace, which reaches out to us across all eternity. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Elijah?" ¹⁰He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

¹¹He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; ¹²and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. ¹³When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁴He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." ¹⁵Then the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. ¹⁶Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. ¹⁷Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. ¹⁸Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

PSALM: Psalm 85:8–13

⁸I will listen to what the LORD¹ God is saying;
for you speak peace to your faithful people
and to those who turn their¹ hearts to you.
⁹**Truly, your salvation is very near to¹ those who fear you,
that your glory may dwell¹ in our land.**
¹⁰Steadfast love and faithfulness have¹ met together;
righteousness and peace have¹ kissed each other.
¹¹**Faithfulness shall spring up¹ from the earth,
and righteousness shall look¹ down from heaven.**
¹²The LORD will indeed¹ grant prosperity,
and our land will¹ yield its increase.
¹³**Righteousness shall go be-¹ fore the LORD
and shall prepare for¹ God a pathway**

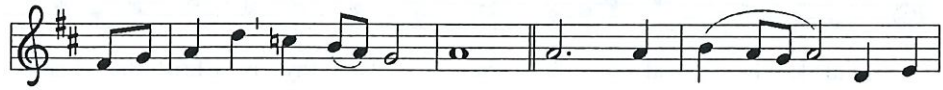
**Glory be to the Father and¹ to the Son:
and to the¹ Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now and e-¹ ver shall be:
world without end.¹ Amen.**



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was



slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY:** (In unison)

Let us pray.

O God our defender, storms rage around and within us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us in the faith of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 19:9-18

On Mount Horeb, where God had appeared to Moses with typical signs of God's presence—earthquake, wind, and fire—Elijah now experienced God in "sheer silence." God assured Elijah that he is not the only faithful believer. Seven thousand Israelites are still loyal. God instructed Elijah to anoint two men as kings and to anoint Elisha as his own successor.

⁹At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there.

Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "What are you doing here,

Into your loving hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

***PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING

***OFFERTORY**

***CONGREGATIONAL OFFERTORY**



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles - sing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -



nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your



pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

***OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PROPER PREFACE

*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb
who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich-es, wis - dom, and
strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.
Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of
God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,

***Kyrie**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

***LAMB OF GOD**

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the

world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION

*POST COMMUNION HYMN



1. Praise to you, O God of mer - cy:
2. From of old you loved and sought us:



Thanks be to you for ev - er! Rais - ing high the
Thanks be to you for ev - er! Truth and jus - tice



weak and low - ly: Thanks be to you for - ev - er!
you have taught us: Thanks be to you for - ev - er!



Strong is your faith - ful - ness, strong is your love, re -



mem - b'ring your cov - e - nant of life with us.



3. Praise to you O God of mer - cy: Thanks be to you for



ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:



Thanks be to you for ev - er. Thanks be to you for - ev - er!

In the presence of God,
who sees our hearts and our minds.
let us confess our sin.

(Silence for reflection)

God our strength,
**We confess that we are captive to the power of sin
that dwells within us.**
We put ourselves first and others last.
**What we think will make us happy
leaves us longing for more.**
**Even when we want to do what is good,
We find ourselves doing the opposite.**
**Rescue us from death's grip on our lives,
and raise us up day by day,
that we may be alive to God in Christ Jesus.**
Amen.

Sisters and brothers,
all have fallen short of the glory of God;
therefore we are justified by God's grace as a gift.
Nothing can separate us
from the love of God in + Christ Jesus,
in whom we have forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation.
Amen.

*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.

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God's Work . . .
. . . Our Hands

Sunday, August 10, 2014—9th Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Communion

*Standing

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Elijah finds the presence of God not in earthquake, wind, or fire, but in the sound of sheer silence. When the disciples face a great storm on the sea, they cry out with fear. Jesus says: "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Amid the storms of life, we gather to seek the calm presence of Christ that soothes our fears. In comforting words of scripture and in the refreshing bread and cup of the eucharist, God grants us peace and sends us forth to be a sign of God's presence to others.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

*HYMN: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" #858

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.
Amen.

*POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*BLESSING

PARISH SHARING TIME

*HYMN: "I Love to Tell the Story" #661

*SENDING

*POSTLUDE

In the Same Boat

Even the waves on a small lake look pretty daunting from the shore when it's windy. What would it be like to be *crossing* the Sea of Galilee, which is eight miles at its widest and more than 140 feet deep at its deepest, in a wooden sailboat, at night, fighting waves in a bad wind? More than daunting, it would be frightening.

Yet Jesus comes to the disciples walking on those choppy, billowing waves in deep water and says, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

The disciples have watched him heal people, cast out demons, calm storms, miraculously feed thousands with only five loaves and two fish, and raise a little girl from death. Still, Peter questions whether it really is Jesus walking on the water. He responds to Jesus, "Lord, *if* it is you, command me to come to you on the water" (emphasis added).

When Jesus asks, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" perhaps he is referring not to the fact that Peter sinks on his first try at water-walking when he is distracted by the waves, but rather to Peter's doubt that Jesus was coming to be with them as they crossed to the other side.

All of us in the church are in the same boat. Jesus sends us as the church to the "other side," to places and people that need his healing, to people who are hungry for the gospel. We might think we need to do it by ourselves. When we face choppy times that sometimes come with serving others, we, like the disciples, might doubt that Jesus will meet us there. Yet Jesus comes to us in bread, wine, water, and word, and says, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." May he give us the faith to recognize his presence and to call upon his saving help.

COMMEMORATIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, August 10, 2014 - Lawrence, deacon, martyr, died 258

As one of the seven deacons of the church at Rome, Lawrence was responsible for the church's financial matters and for the care of the poor. Asked by the emperor to gather the church's treasure, he presented a collection of orphans, lepers, and the like. The enraged emperor had him put to death.

Monday, August 11 - Clare, Abbess of San Damiano, died 1253

A contemporary of Francis of Assisi, Clare and a growing number of companions established a women's Franciscan community, called the Order of Poor Ladies, or Poor Clares. She inspired other women to pursue spiritual goals.

Wednesday, August 13

Florence Nightingale, died 1910; Clara Maass, died 1901; renewers of society

Nightingale was born in England, and horrified her wealthy family by deciding to become a nurse. She led a group of nurses in ministering in the midst of the Crimean War, and worked for hospital reform. Maass, a native of New Jersey, was also a war nurse, and volunteered as a subject for research on yellow fever. She died of the disease.

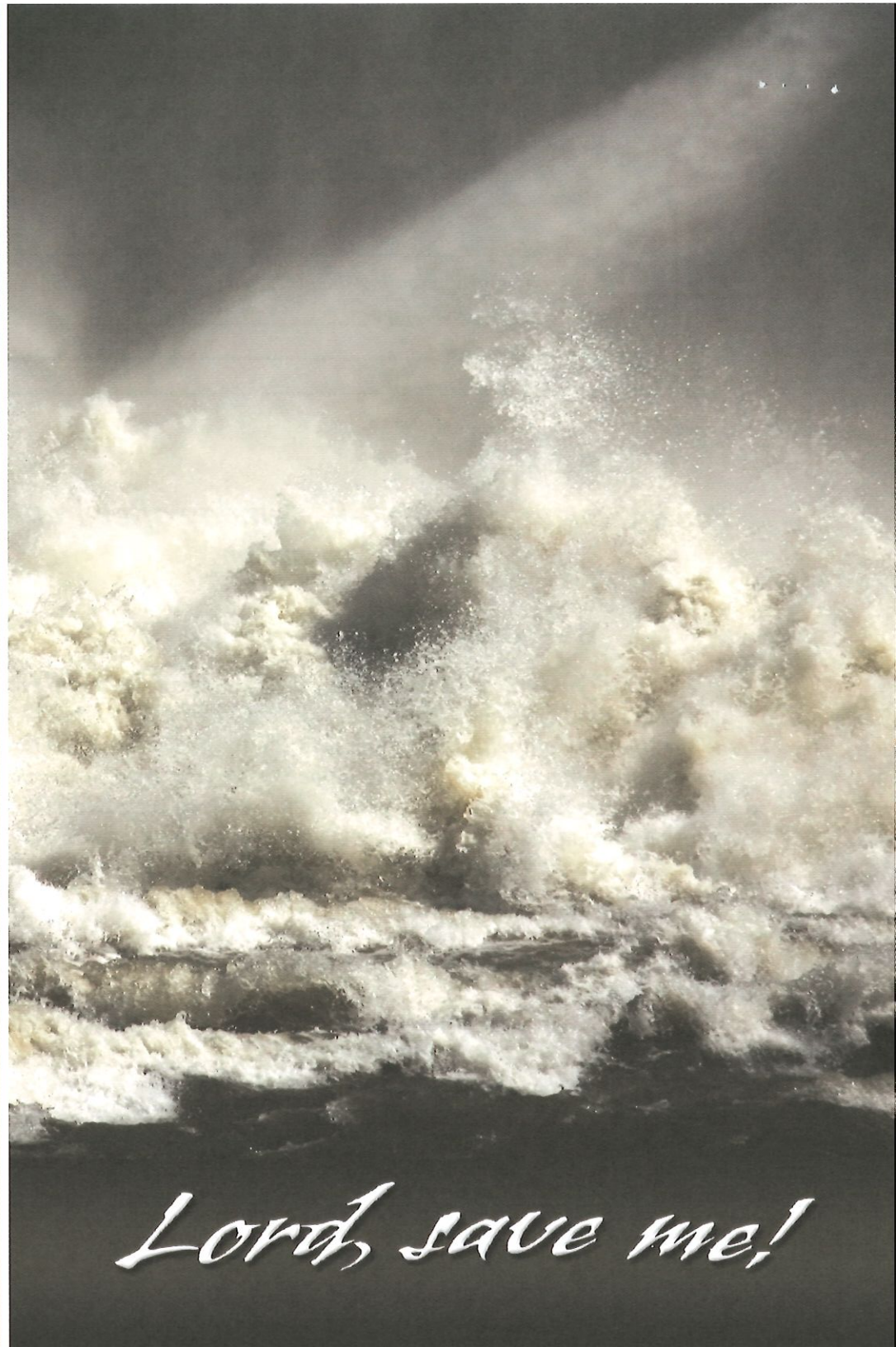
Thursday, August 14

Maximilian Kolbe, died 1941; Kaj Munk, died 1944; martyrs

Father Kolbe was a Franciscan priest arrested by the Nazis and confined in Auschwitz. Kolbe gave generously of his meager resources, and finally volunteered to be starved to death in place of another man. A Danish Lutheran pastor and playwright, Munk strongly denounced the Nazis who occupied Denmark in the Second World War. His sermons and articles helped to show the anti-Christian nature of the movement.

Friday, August 15 - Mary, Mother of Our Lord

The church (including Martin Luther) honored Mary with the title theotokos, meaning "God-bearer," for her role in giving birth to the Son of God. Her song, the Magnificat, speaks eloquently of God's lifting the lowly and feeding the hungry.



Lord, save me!