

WELCOME TO THE PACKANACK COMMUNITY CHURCH

"Putting God's Love In Motion"

120 Lake Drive East, Wayne, NJ

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10:00 AM
TENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST



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*If you want to walk on water, you've got to get out of the boat."
~John Ortberg*

PRELUDE

Meditation on EBENEZER

Daniel Mullens

Thomas John Williams (1869- 1944)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

**Eternal God, you have ever been our hope
and our salvation.**

**You visit us in dreams,
offering us glimpses of new possibilities.**

**You rescue us from life's storms,
lifting us out of the raging waters.**

Be with us now as we call on your name.

**Reveal your purposes for our world,
that we may be of use and service.**

THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW

Matthew 14:22-33

Jesus Walks on the Water

²²Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. ²³After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. Later that night, he was there alone, ²⁴and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it. ²⁵Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. ²⁶When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear. ²⁷But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid." ²⁸"Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water." ²⁹"Come," he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. ³⁰But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!" ³¹Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?" ³²And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. ³³Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

SERMON

Getting Out of the Boat

Rev. Bernd Weishaupt

REFLECTION

My Lord, He Walks Upon The Water

Daniel Mullens

Tom Booth

PASTORAL PRAYER

Lord, in Your Mercy,

Hear Our 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 debts as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

***PRAYER OF GRATITUDE**

**May our lives reflect our commitment
to be Christ's faithful followers
in all our endeavors.**

**And may our offering be a sign
of our faithfulness to you, O God,
our savior and deliverer. Amen.**

***BENEDICTION & DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

EXIT MUSIC

Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)

Hillsong United (Crocker, Houston and Ligthelm)

** If you can do so comfortably, you are invited to stand for these portions of the service.*

OUR MISSION

The Packanack Community Church is an Open and Affirming Congregation of the United Church of Christ called to "Put God's Love in Motion" by living our faith beyond the walls of our Sanctuary.

We seek to help one another discover our God-given gifts so we can have greater meaning, purpose and direction in our lives.

We work to bring hope, peace, joy and love to other people through ministries of mercy and justice with a spirit of gratitude for all our blessings and a vision of caring for one another's needs.