



E-News

Christ Lutheran Church

Bethesda, Maryland

Sunday, November 7, 2010

WE INVITE YOU TO SUNDAY WORSHIP

Praise 9:15 am
Traditional 11:15 am
Evening 5:00 pm

Challenging Lifestyles for
adults at 10:15 am.



Taize' Prayer Service - Monday, November 15

Join us at 10:15 am for faith formation opportunities. We have fun for all ages: Jesus Loves Me! for pre-k and early elementary, Godly Play for older elementary, and Head to Heart for middle and high school and adults.

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Upcoming Events

**Unbinding the Heart--
Week Six--Faith Focus**

**Faith formation for all ages
Sundays @ 10:15 am**

**Taize' Prayer Service
November 15--7:15 pm**

**Sunday Evening Worship
@ 5 pm**

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"Faith Focus"

Unbinding Your Heart



What is the point of the story of Jesus walking on water in Matthew 14? We know that the often taught point of the story has to do with Peter failing in his attempt at walking on water. We assume that the moral of the story is "Have faith!

Get out of the boat!" Something like that. I would like to take a second look at the meaning of the story.

I don't think Jesus intended for Peter to walk on the water. The whole thing about walking on water was Peter's idea, not Jesus'. Look at the thirty-first verse. When Peter begins to falter, Jesus says, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" Jesus is not asking Peter why he doubted his own ability to walk on water. Jesus is not saying, "Why didn't you believe in yourself, that you could do this?" Jesus is asking Peter, and all the disciples: Why did you doubt it was me coming to assist you? Why didn't you know I would be coming to rescue you on the water? Weren't you expecting me?

Unbinding your Heart gives us the two things that must be in place if we are to effectively share faith with others. One, our own spiritual lives must be well-tended. We must be alert to God's presence in our own lives every day. Two, our eyes must be open and receptive to what God would have us do next.

The question is, "Are we expecting Jesus to show up Christ Lutheran?" Join us Sunday and explore the question.



A faith community welcoming all to a place where you can connect with God and people -- offering service to others as a sign of God's love.

Worship Sundays:

Praise 9:15 am

Traditional 11:15 am

New Worship Service:

Sunday Evening 5:00 pm

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Pastor Marv

Special Congregational Meeting

Join us this Sunday, November 7, at 10:15 am in the sanctuary for a special congregational meeting. We will be voting on the nominees for the Call Committee. We can then begin the process of calling a pastor.

The nominees are Jerry Black, Adrienne Glenn, Dave Lambert, Steve North, Penny Smith, and Lisa Stechsulte.

Ingrid Dallaire
Council President



Remember that daylight saving time ends Saturday night. Turn your clocks back one hour tonight before you go to sleep!

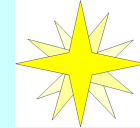
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