

**A reading from 1 Peter chapter 5 verses 6 through 11. You can find this reading on page 1017 of your pew Bible.**

Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

**The Word of the Lord.**

***Thanks be to God.***

**Please join me in praying Psalm 107.**

Leader: Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,  
for his steadfast love endures forever!

**People: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,  
whom he has redeemed from trouble**

Leader: and gathered in from the lands,  
from the east and from the west,  
from the north and from the south.

**People: Some went down to the sea in ships,  
doing business on the great waters;**

Leader: they saw the deeds of the Lord,  
his wondrous works in the deep.

**People: For he commanded and raised the stormy wind,  
which lifted up the waves of the sea.**

Leader: They mounted up to heaven;  
they went down to the depths;  
their courage melted away in their evil plight;

**People: they reeled and staggered like drunken men  
and were at their wits' end.**

Leader: Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble,  
and he delivered them from their distress.

**People: He made the storm be still,  
and the waves of the sea were hushed.**

**Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit: as  
it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**Leader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Mark.**

***People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. And other boats were with him. And a great windstorm arose, and the waves were breaking into the boat, so that the boat was already filling. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion. And they woke him and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm. He said to them, "Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great fear and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

**Leader: The Gospel of the Lord**

***People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.***