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LUTHERAN CHURCH

*These are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah,
the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in His name. ~ John 20:31*

JESUS WALKS ON WATER

Text: John 6:15-21

Key Verse: *Jesus said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." John 6:20*

Biblical Background: The account of Jesus walking on water follows immediately after the feeding of the 5000, in John. In short order, Jesus' followers have come from the mountaintop experience of the feeding of the multitudes (with Jesus) to the terrifying experience of a mighty storm at sea (without Jesus).

Sermon Reflections

Text Messages

for personal and small group reflection

Why didn't Jesus want to be king?

Why do you think Jesus remained behind when his disciples went out in the boat?

What was the last crisis you faced in your life? Was there both danger and opportunity?

What was the danger and opportunity Jesus faced in this section?

Do you come to church because you feel obligated or because you want to?

What is your favorite section in the first six chapters of John? Why?

Who are you going to invite to church in December?

Faith Spark

Light two candles on your Advent wreath this weekend. Advent is a time of preparation and waiting. Think about Mary and how she prepared for the birth of Jesus, a time of "crisis" for an unmarried young woman. What dangers and opportunities did she face?

To read for December 17/18: John 6:22-71

Read the text. As you read, jot down any questions or comments you have.

What do you wonder about? What catches your eye?

What effect do these words have on you personally?