***Introit (Psalm 107)***

P: People in trouble shout to the Lord.

C: He saved them from their troubles.

P: The Lord made the storm become peaceful.

**C: He made the waves quiet.**

P: People were happy because the waters became quiet.

**C: The Lord brought people home safe.**

P: Let them thank the Lord for His love.

**C: Let them thank God for His wonderful works!**

P: Let all the people praise the Lord.

**C: Let the leaders all praise the Lord!**

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

***Prayer for God’s Word***

P: Almighty God, show mercy for Your world. Take-care of the world, then Your church can serve You in joy and peace and quiet. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Jesus lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: (copy) Amen.

The Old Testament lesson is from Job chapter 38.

 Then the Lord came in a storm and He spoke to the man JOB from the wind. The Lord said, “Why do you talk foolish words and doubt My wisdom? Now stand-up same-as a man, because I will ask and you must answer.

 Where were-you living happen I made the earth? Tell me, if you are smart enough! Who decided the measurements of the earth? Who checked the measurements? Truly you know! What supports the foundation of the earth? Who put-down the corner-stone while the morning stars sang together and all the angels shouted with happiness? Who?

 When the water overflowed from the deep places, who decided the limits of the seas? I gave the clouds and darkness, and decided to stop the sea; and I said, ‘You will come to here and no more, and your proud waves will stop here.’”

This is the word of the Lord.

C: (copy) Thanks give to God.

The New Testament lesson is from 2 Corinthians chapter 6.

 We work together with Christ. We encourage you, don’t receive God’s grace and then lose it. God says, “At the right time, I listened to you. On the day for saving I helped you.” Look! Now is the right time! Look! Now is the day for God saving you!

 We don’t stop anyone. No one can blame our ministry. In everything, we show we are God’s servants. We continue and don’t give up, we continue through troubles, hard times, struggles, people beating us, putting us in prison, people fighting us, hard work, no sleep, and hunger. We show we are God’s servants in purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, in the Holy Spirit, true love, God’s true word, and God’s power.

 We show we are His servants because we have weapons for righteousness in the right hand and the left hand, in glory and shame, in evil stories about us and good stories about us. People say we are liars, but we continue speaking the truth. We are strangers, but many people know us. We are dying, but look, we live! People punish us, but not yet kill us. Our life is full of sorrow but we always rejoice. We are poor, but make many people rich. We have nothing, but we own everything.

 People in CORINTH, we speak clearly and honestly to you. Our hearts are full of love for you. We are not limiting you. But your love is limited. Give what you owe us. I speak to you like you are children. You should love us also.

This is the word of the Lord.

C: (copy) Thanks give to God.

The Gospel lesson is from Mark chapter 4.

C: (copy) Glory to You, O Lord.

 In the evening, Jesus told His disciples, “Let us go-across the lake.” The disciples left the group of people and entered the boat, and they took Jesus with them. Other boats also went with them. A terrible storm hit them and the wind pushed the waves into the boat, and the boat began to fill with water.

 Jesus slept in the boat with His head on a pillow. The disciples woke-up Jesus and said, “Teacher, we will die! You don’t-care?”

 Jesus woke-up and ordered the wind and waves to stop, “Peace! Be-calm!” The wind stopped and all became quiet. Then Jesus said to the disciples, “Why are you afraid? You have no faith?”

 The disciples were afraid and said to each another, “Who is Jesus? The wind and waves obey Him!”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: (copy) Praise to You, O Christ.