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August 24, 2025 Speaking of Jesus **Worship Participants**

Deacon: Grace and Peter Tilden

Welcomers: Merry Sue Ahlgren and Mary Ann Labue

Reader: Brent Orr

Announcer: Chelsey Helmke

Prelude

Welcome Rev. Tina Walker-Morin

Song All Who are Thirsty

Opening Prayer (responsive) by Ministry Matters

Deacon

Leader: Come, take your rest this day

People: Holy One, free us from the stresses we have endured this week.

Leader: Come, put your minds at ease.

People: Holy One, ease the burdens and frustrations of our lives.

Leader: Come. For this is the house of God. It is here that you will find peace. **People: Praise and thanks be to God for giving us sanctuary. AMEN.**

Song Sing a New World Into Being

Scripture: Acts 27:21-25, 33-38 (*The Message Bible*) Brent Orr

Today's reading is from Acts 27 verses 21-25, 33-38.

With our appetite for both food and life long gone, Paul took his place in our midst and said, "Friends, you really should have listened to me back in Crete. We could have avoided all this trouble and trial. But there's no need to dwell on that now. From now on, things are looking up! I can assure you that there'll not be a single drowning among us, although I can't say as much for the ship—the ship itself is doomed.

"Last night God's angel stood at my side, an angel of this God I serve, saying to me, 'Don't give up, Paul. You're going to stand before Caesar yet—and everyone sailing with you is also going to make it.' So, dear friends, take heart. I believe God will do exactly what he told me. But we're going to shipwreck on some island or other."

With dawn about to break, Paul called everyone together and proposed breakfast: "This is the fourteenth day we've gone without food. None of us has felt like eating! But I urge you to eat something now. You'll need strength for the rescue ahead. You're going to come out of this without even a scratch!"

He broke the bread, gave thanks to God, passed it around, and they all ate heartily—276 of us, all told! With the meal finished and everyone full, the ship was further lightened by dumping the grain overboard.

May God bless this reading and our understanding, Amen.

Message for All Ages Rev. Jennie Valentine

Sermon Rev. Tina Walker-Morin

Song Amazing Grace/Peaceful Easy Feeling

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer Rev. Tina Walker-Morin

Our Father/Mother/Creator,

who art in heaven hallowed be thy name. Thy kin-dom 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 kin-dom and the power and the glory for ever. Amen

Offering Rev. Tina Walker-Morin

Invitation

Song Let My Life Be Like a Love Song

Dedication

Send Forth Song

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

Hymn #557

Benediction Rev. Tina Walker-Morin

Announcements

Postlude