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Reflection

In a very real sense, the Christian community lives in Advent all the time...the disappointment, brokenness, suffering, and pain that characterize life in this present world is held in dynamic tension with the promise of future glory that is yet to come. In that Advent tension, the church lives its life.

- Fleming Rutledge

So those who were struggling to build a church...in the northern part of Palestine in the 70s could take enormous encouragement from these two stories [the feeding of the 5000, and Jesus' walking on water]. The Jesus they worshipped both fed them in the eucharist and preserved them in the storms of life. Their part was to trust. His part was—and is—to save. No wonder the disciples acclaim him afresh as Son of God in the light of both the feeding and the stilling of the storm.

- Michael Green

Times like these call for bravery.

- Patricia Raybon

Scripture

Matthew 14:22-33

²² Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³ And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴ but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. ²⁵ And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. ²⁶ But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. ²⁷ But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid."

²⁸ And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." ²⁹ He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. ³⁰ But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." ³¹ Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" ³² And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³ And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Sermon

Out Upon the Water

Shawn Gendall

Information and Resources

View and sign up for all events on our mobile app **Pacific Crossroads**, website **PacificCrossroads.org/Events** or speak with someone at the 'New Here' tent.

General Fund Update (as of 12/01/19)

Offerings Budget: **\$4,000,395**

Expenses Budget: **\$4,574,149**

Offerings Actual: **\$3,535,929**

Expenses Actual: **\$4,052,604**

To give from your phone, text **give2pcc** to **77977**

Sunday Volunteer Roles Needed

Westside - 68 volunteers needed to serve once a month:

Ushers (18), Welcome (17), Hospitality/Coffee (8), Lyric Projection/Camera Operator (8), Post-Service Prayer (6)

Downtown - 28 volunteers needed to serve once a month:

Hospitality/Usher/Greeter/Communion Prep (8), Communion Servers (4), Lyric Projection (7),

Our Highest Need: Post-Service Prayer (9)

To serve on Sunday or to volunteer for any of these roles

Email: alexscott@pacificcrossroads.org

Congregational Care

Our congregational care team is here to help if you are in a difficult place.

Email: congregationalcare@pacificcrossroads.org or call our office at **310.551.0081**

Parking Information

Westside: Volunteers will pay for your parking for 30 minutes after service at a garage pay station.

Downtown: The Adams' parking structure closes at 8pm. Cars cannot be accessed after that time.

Upcoming Events

New Sunday Service Schedule | 10:00am & 5:00pm

We have moved our regular Sunday morning service schedule to a single 10:00am service.

The Gospel Story | Begins 1.1.20

Study the basics of our Christian faith in an intentional, three-part online study. The course is taught by R.C. Sproul, Rankin Wilbourne, and other noted scholars. Spend two hours per week discovering the long historical arc of the Gospel truth in each week's lesson, connecting these people & times to Christ and our redemption in Him.

100% Sent Missions Conference | 1.25.20 | San Diego

PCC is partnering with other churches all across San Diego and Southern California to create a powerful environment for worship and prayer. We are praying that this is a time of spiritual renewal in our lives and churches that will result in a spiritual awakening in Southern California and around the world! Featuring Francis Chan, Michael Keller and more.

Visit allsent.org for more information and to register

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Why should I prayerfully consider investing in PCC Kids?

**Did you know that 43% of Christians came to faith before the age of 12?
("Kids and Salvation Survey" 4/2019)**

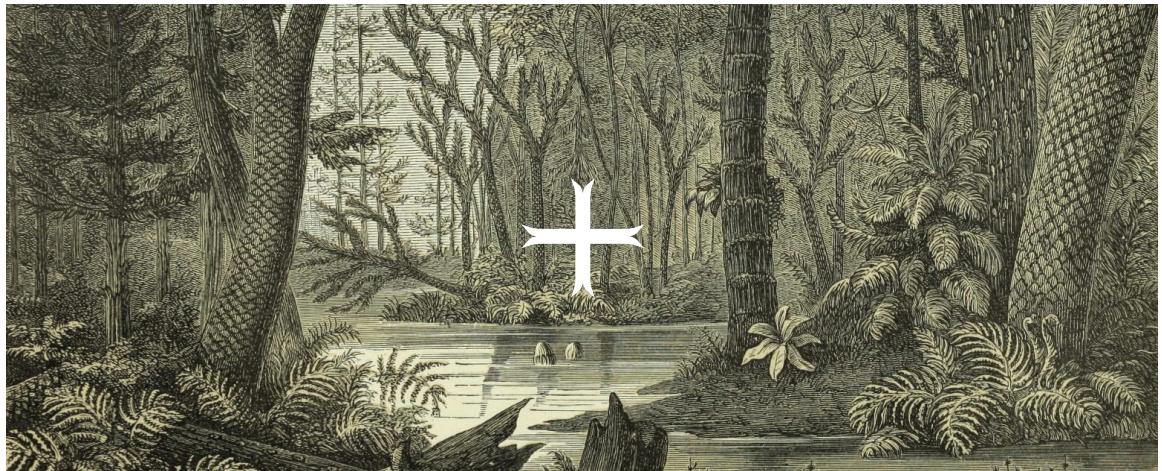
29% say children's ministry has played a big part in making a decision to follow Jesus (ministry-to-children.com)

DL Moody once said, "When you save a child, you save a life—a whole life." Childhood is when they're most open to learning what it means to trust God. It's when they're forming their understanding of the world of relationships, of love, of God. They are impressionable, and we should be intentional about ensuring that they get the right understanding of God and who they are in Christ.

**Sunday ministries is the perfect setting for relational ministry to children.
Think of it as community groups for children!**

**This is one of the greatest investments you can make in the life of the church.
Will you prayerfully consider SAYING YES?**

THE **GOSPEL**



STORY

Study the basics of our Christian faith in an
intentional, three-part online study.

GOSPEL STORY, PART ONE
OLD TESTAMENT STORY

Begins January 1, 2020

A 13-week overview of how the Gospel story began in Creation and moved in the lives of Abraham, Moses, the Judges, Kings, & Prophets over a 2000 year timeframe. Taught by R.C. Sproul, Rankin Wilbourne, and other noted scholars. Spend two hours per week discovering the long historical arc of the Gospel truth in each week's lesson, connecting these people & times to Christ and our redemption in Him.



LIMITED TO 75 STUDENTS. ENROLL EARLY TO GUARANTEE A SEAT.

GOSPEL STORY, PART TWO
NEW TESTAMENT SURVEY

Begins May 2020

GOSPEL STORY, PART THREE
CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE

Begins September 2020