

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time – A

- I want to take this Gospel and put it in context –
 - Remember last week
 - Jesus had just heard of the death of J the B **and goes apart**
 - Crowds follow, press upon Him – so He teaches them & Jesus feeds them
 - No boom of thunder, no flash of lightning
 - Jesus took break, broke it, blessed it, gave it & all were fed
 - Disciples didn't expect anything awesome, but it happened

In today's Gospel

- Jesus makes Disciples get into a boat and precede Him to other side
- He dismisses the people
- He FINALLY goes up the mountain by Himself to pray
- Disciples boat is tossed by a storm & here comes Jesus walking on water
 - It's a Ghost – Fear Not – If it's You – Come – Peter Goes – BUT
- When He gets into their boat, after fishing Peter out, the wind calms.
- Jesus controls creation - Disciples exclaim "Truly you are Son of God"
- ARE YOU A FLOATER OR A SINKER?
 - *The message we usually get out this gospel is that as long as Peter kept his eyes on Jesus he was walking on water, but when he took them off of Jesus he sank.*
 - The emphasis is on Peter's weak faith & that Peter needed to look at J
 - **But its not about Peter** – its about the power of Jesus
 - It is in Jesus' calming the storm that the disciple proclaim faith
 - In midst of our storms – God extends His hand to us, saves us, calms our hearts
 - @Customs – FLOYD – surgery OK, but \$???
 - @ FC – ED MINNIS – came to Church, went home, died
 - MOSES – lost his leg in Cuba
 - **To be a disciple of Jesus means we trust in Jesus**
 - **In Good Times and in Bad**
 - **It may seem like He is asking us to walk on water**
 - **BUT NEVER ALONE**
 - **Like Peter, He extends His hand & lifts us up**
 - Floyd knows this is true
 - Moses knows this is true
 - Ed knows this is true as he dances round the throne
 - How He comes to us is up to Him, but He comes.
 - Today we pray that we might recognize His coming