

## Pekin First Church of the Nazarene August 31, 2025 Pastor Lauren McQuen, *PFN Lead Pastor*

## **Matthew 14:22-33 (NLT)**

<sup>22</sup> "Immediately after this, Jesus insisted that His disciples get back into the boat and cross to the other side of the lake, while He sent the people home. <sup>23</sup> After sending them home, He went up into the hills by Himself to pray. Night fell while He was there alone. <sup>24</sup> Meanwhile, the disciples were in trouble far away from land, for a strong wind had risen, and they were fighting heavy waves. <sup>25</sup> About three o'clock in the morning Jesus came toward them, walking on the water. <sup>26</sup> When the disciples saw Him walking on the water, they were terrified. In their fear, they cried out, "It's a ghost!" <sup>27</sup> But Jesus spoke to them at once. "Don't be afraid," He said. "Take courage. I am here!" <sup>28</sup> Then Peter called to Him, "Lord, if it's really You, tell me to come to You, walking on the water." <sup>29</sup> "Yes, come," Jesus said. So Peter went over the side of the boat and walked on the water toward Jesus. <sup>30</sup> But when he saw the strong wind and the waves, he was terrified and began to sink. "Save me, Lord!" he shouted. <sup>31</sup> Jesus immediately reached out and grabbed him. "You have so little faith," Jesus said. "Why did you doubt Me?" <sup>32</sup> When they climbed back into the boat, the wind stopped. <sup>33</sup> Then the disciples worshiped Him. "You really are the Son of God!" they exclaimed."

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## **Exodus 3:14** (NLT)

**Matthew 14:27** (NIV)

"God replied to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM. Say this to the people of Israel: I AM has sent me to you."

★ Impossible things become possible when we recognize the \_\_\_ AM\_ in them.

"But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid."