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P: God who rules wind and water, stand by me.

L: God stands with you in bright sunshine and deepest storm.

P: God gently guides us to safety and peace. Thanks be to God. AMEN.

Opening Prayer

God of mysterious ways, you take our fears and turn them into triumphs. You remind us that you are always with us and that we do not need to fear the wind and waves of life. Encourage us to step out of the boat; to come across these difficulties to your redeeming and transforming love. Give us courage and strength, joy and peace for all the times ahead. AMEN.

Benediction/Sending Forth

You have been embraced by the love of God, empowered by the Holy Spirit, and blessed by Jesus to go into this world to offer healing and hope. Go in peace. AMEN.

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