



# Growing FAITH at home

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ELEVENTH SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST  
– PROPER 14

JESUS HAS  
THE POWER  
TO HELP AND  
TO SAVE



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## CONVERSATIONS

Share your highs and lows, or respond to the following:

1. Have you ever been swimming in the ocean?
2. Would you rather swim in a pool, river or the ocean? What are the differences?



## BIBLE READINGS

Read the following Bible readings throughout this week.  
Talk about what words or phrases stand out for you.

1st reading

**Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28**  
Joseph sold by his brothers

2nd reading

**Romans 10:5-15**  
Declare the word

Gospel reading

**Matthew 14:22-33**  
Jesus walks on water

## DISCUSS

Matthew 14:29-30 tells us that Peter stepped out of a boat to walk on water, but soon became scared because of the wind and waves. What are some 'winds' or 'waves' in your life at the moment?



## ACTION RESPONSE

Romans 10:15 says; "the feet of those who bring the Good News are beautiful". Do you know a Christian serving as a missionary overseas or in another part of your country? Take a deeper look at the work of different missionaries in Australia together this week. Commit to praying for them over the coming weeks. You can find a prayer calendar on the LCA International Mission page. <http://www.lcamission.org.au/>



## PRAYER

Jesus you are truly the Son of God. Please take us by the hand and rescue us from trouble. Amen.



## BLESSING

May the Lord Jesus take hold of you when you are scared. May he give you faith to trust in him.



## MEALTIME PRAYER

Thank you for this food and your care today; lead us, Jesus, in your way. Amen.

BUT JESUS QUICKLY SPOKE TO THEM, "HAVE COURAGE! IT IS I. DO NOT BE AFRAID."

MATTHEW 14:27

VERSE OF THE WEEK

