

# TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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“Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward.” -*Mark 9:41*

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## ENTRANCE HYMN

### Gather Us In



1. Here in this place new light is stream - ing,  
2. We are the young— our lives are a mys - t'ry,  
3. Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter,  
4. Not in the dark of build - ings con - fin - ing,



Now is the dark - ness van - ished a - way,  
We are the old— who yearn for your face,  
Here we will take the bread of new birth,  
Not in some heav - en, light - years a - way, But



See in this space our fears and our dream - ings,  
We have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,  
Here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters,  
here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



Brought here to you in the light of this day.  
Called to be light to the whole hu - man race.  
Call us a - new to be salt for the earth.  
Now is the King - dom, now is the day.



Gath - er us in— the lost and for - sak - en,  
Gath - er us in— the rich and the haugh - ty,  
Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion,  
Gath - er us in and hold us for ev - er,



Gath - er us in— the blind and the lame;  
Gath - er us in— the proud and the strong;  
Give us to eat the bread that is you;  
Gath - er us in and make us your own;

## ENTRANCE HYMN CONT.



Call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,  
Give us a heart so meek and so low - ly,  
Nour - ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion  
Gath - er us in— all peo - ples to - geth - er,



We shall a - rise at the sound of our name.  
Give us the cour-age to en - ter the song.  
Lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.  
Fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

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## INTRODUCTORY RITES

### PENITENTIAL ACT WITH INVOCATIONS

I confess to almighty God and to you my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and to you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

**Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison. Or**

**Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace to  
 peo-ple of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we a -  
 dore you, we glo-ri - fy you, we give you thanks for  
 your great glo-ry, Lord God, heav-en-ly King, O God, al - might-y  
 Fa - ther. Lord Je - sus Christ, On-ly Be-got - ten Son,  
 Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, you take a-way the  
 sins of the world, have mer - cy on us; you take a-way the  
 sins of the world, re-ceive our prayer; you are seat-ed at the  
 right hand of the Fa - ther, have mer - cy on us. For  
 you a - lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,  
 you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,  
 in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men, a - men.

**A reading from the Book of the prophet Nehemiah (NM 11:25-29)**

The LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to Moses. Taking some of the spirit that was on Moses, the LORD bestowed it on the seventy elders; and as the spirit came to rest on them, they prophesied. Now two men, one named Eldad and the other Medad, were not in the gathering but had been left in the camp. They too had been on the list, but had not gone out to the tent; yet the spirit came to rest on them also, and they prophesied in the camp. So, when a young man quickly told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp,” Joshua, son of Nun, who from his youth had been Moses’ aide, said, “Moses, my lord, stop them.” But Moses answered him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets! Would that the LORD might bestow his spirit on them all!”

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM (PS 19)**

**R/. The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.**

The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul;  
the decree of the LORD is trustworthy, giving wisdom to the simple. **R/.**

The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever;  
the ordinances of the LORD are true, all of them just. **R/.**

Though your servant is careful of them, very diligent in keeping them;  
yet who can detect failings? Cleanse me from my unknown faults! **R/.**

From wanton sin especially, restrain your servant; let it not rule over me.  
Then shall I be blameless and innocent of serious sin. **R/.**

**A reading from the Book of James (JAS 5:1-6)**

Come now, you rich, weep and wail over your impending miseries. Your wealth has rotted away, your clothes have become moth-eaten, your gold and silver have corroded, and that corrosion will be a testimony against you; it will devour your flesh like a fire. You have stored up treasure for the last days. Behold, the wages you withheld from the workers who harvested your fields are crying aloud; and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. You have lived on earth in luxury and pleasure; you have fattened your hearts for the day of slaughter. You have condemned; you have murdered the righteous one; he offers you no resistance.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**R/.** Alleluia!

Your word, O Lord, is truth; consecrate us in the truth. **R/.**

### **A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark (MK 9:38-43, 45, 47-48)**

At that time, John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name, and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us." Jesus replied, "Do not prevent him. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me. For whoever is not against us is for us. Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward. "Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were put around his neck and he were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life maimed than with two hands to go into Gehenna, into the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life crippled than with two feet to be thrown into Gehenna. And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out. Better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into Gehenna, where 'their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched.'"

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## **PROFESSION of FAITH**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, ***and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.*** For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **PRESENTATION OF GIFTS**

### **The Servant Song**

Will you let me be your servant,  
Let me be as Christ to you;  
Pray that I may have the grace to  
Let you be my servant, too.

We are pilgrims on a journey,  
We are trav'lers on the road;  
We are here to help each other  
Walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you  
In the night-time of your fear;  
I will hold my hand out to you,  
Speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping;  
When you laugh I'll laugh with you.  
I will share your joy and sorrow  
'Til we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven  
We shall find such harmony,  
Born of all we've known together  
Of Christ's love and agony.

† Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**R/. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

### PREFACE

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right and just.**

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.

Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san-na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san-na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est. —



† The mystery of faith

Two staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. The melody is written on a treble clef. The lyrics are: "We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your Res - ur - rec-tion un - til you come a - gain." The music features a mix of eighth and quarter notes, with some rests.

We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your  
Res - ur - rec-tion un - til you come a - gain.

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† Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, forever and ever.

A single staff of music in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. The melody is written on a treble clef. The lyrics are: "A-men, a-men, a - men. a - men." The music features a mix of eighth and quarter notes, with some rests. There are two endings: the first ending leads back to the beginning of the phrase, and the second ending leads to a final cadence.

A-men, a-men, a - men. a - men.

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# THE COMMUNION RITE

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

† The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**R/. And with your Spirit.**

## SIGN OF PEACE

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. It consists of five staves of music. The first staff is labeled 'Cantor' and the second 'All'. The third staff is labeled 'Cantor' and the fourth 'All'. The fifth staff is labeled 'Cantor' and 'All'. The lyrics are: 'Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, — have mer-cy on us, — have mer-cy on us. — grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.' The music is a simple, flowing melody with some rests and repeat signs.

*Cantor*  
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, —  
*All*  
— have mer-cy on us, — have mer-cy on us. —  
*Cantor*  
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world,  
*All*  
grant us peace, grant us peace,  
*Cantor* *All*  
grant us peace, grant us peace.

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† Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.  
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

**R/. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say  
the word and my soul shall be healed.**

# HERE I AM, LORD

Dan Schutte

## Verses



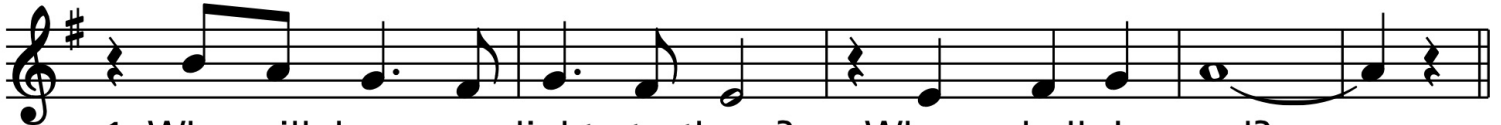
1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo-ple's pain.
3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



1. All who dwell in dark and sin My hand will save. I, who
2. I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way. I will
3. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Fin-est



1. made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
2. break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love a - lone.
3. bread I will pro - vide Till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



1. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
2. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?
3. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

## Refrain



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo-ple in my heart.

## PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL, defend us in battle; be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray: and do Thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all evil spirits, who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen. {Pope Leo XIII}

## CLOSING SONG

### CELTIC ALLELUIA

*Celtic Mass*  
Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker



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## PRAYER to ST. JOSEPH

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

