



25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last.” - Mt 20:16

NFL Pastoral Region

Opening Hymn

Jesus Christ, By Faith Revealed



1. Je - sus Christ, by faith re - vealed In your gath - ered
2. Je - sus Christ, by faith re - vealed In the ho - ly
3. Je - sus Christ, by faith re - vealed With us now in
4. Je - sus Christ, by faith re - vealed In all deeds of



1. Church at prayer, In the Spir - it, giv - ing thanks
2. Word pro - claimed— Truth en - kin - dling mind and heart,
3. sa - cred sign— Cleans - ing wa - ter, heal - ing oil,
4. jus - tice done, Mer - cy shown to weak and poor,



1. For all bless - ings of your care: God - with - us as
2. Gos - pel wis - dom here ac - claimed: God - with - us as
3. Gift of self in Bread and Wine: God - with - us as
4. Wel - come warm with - held from none: God - with - us as



1. life, we pray, Make your pres - ence known to - day!
2. light, we pray, Make your pres - ence known to - day!
3. grace, we pray, Make your pres - ence known to - day!
4. love, we pray, Make your pres - ence known to - day!

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Conrad Kocher, 1786-1872

-Liturgy of the Word-

First Reading

Isaiah 55:6-9

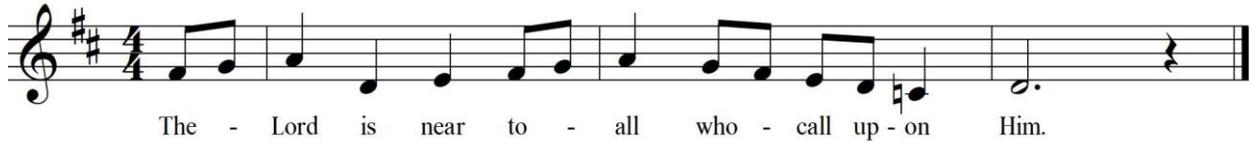
Seek the LORD while he may be found, call him while he is near. Let the scoundrel forsake his way, and the wicked his thoughts; let him turn to the LORD for mercy; to our God, who is generous in forgiving. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways and my thoughts above your thoughts.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 145



Every day will I bless you, and I will praise your name forever and ever. Great is the LORD and highly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable.

The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness. The LORD is good to all and compassionate toward all his works.

The LORD is just in all his ways and holy in all his works. The LORD is near to all who call upon him, to all who call upon him in truth.

Second Reading

Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a

Brothers and sisters: Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me life is Christ, and death is gain. If I go on living in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. And I do not know which I shall choose. I am caught between the two. I long to depart this life and be with Christ, for that is far better. Yet that I remain in the flesh is more necessary for your benefit.

Only, conduct yourselves in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ.

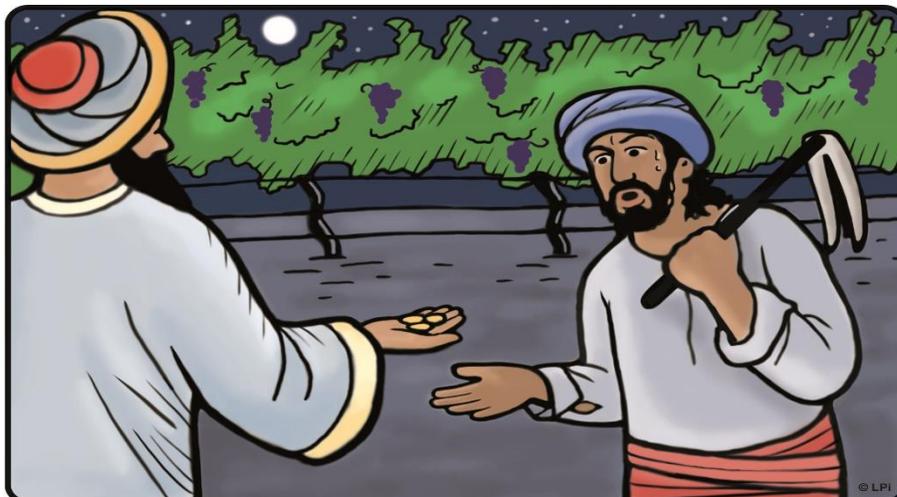
The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia

Open our hearts, O Lord,/to listen to the words of your Son.



The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with them for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. Going out about nine o'clock, the landowner saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and he said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard, and I will give you what is just.' So they went off. And he went out again around noon, and around three o'clock, and did likewise. Going out about five o'clock, the landowner found others standing around, and said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' They answered, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard.' When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Summon the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and ending with the first.' When those who had started about five o'clock came, each received the usual daily wage. So when the first came, they thought that they would receive more, but each of them also got the usual wage. And on receiving it they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last ones worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us, who bore the day's burden and the heat.' He said to one of them in reply, 'My friend, I am not cheating you. Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous?' Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Nicene Creed:

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.

-Liturgy of the Eucharist-

Preparation of Gifts
Holy, Holy, Holy
Memorial Acclamation

*Save us, Savior of the world for by your cross and resurrection,
You have set us free.*

Great Amen
Our Father
Lamb of God

Communion Hymn

Bread of the World

REFRAIN

Bread of the world, in mer - cy bro - ken, Wine of the soul in
mer - cy shed, By whom the words of life were spo - ken,
And in whose death our sins are dead. Look on the heart by
sor - row bro - ken, Look on the tears by sin - ners shed;
And be your feast to us the to - ken
That by your grace our souls are fed.

VERSES

1.-7. We do not live on bread a-lone, but on ev-'ry word that comes from God.

To Refrain

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| 1. Let us wor-ship the Lord, our God. | God a-lone will save. |
| 2. Let us fol-low the Lord, our God. | God a-lone will lead. |
| 3. Let us wait for the Lord, our God. | God a-lone will reign. |
| 4. Let us hon-or the Lord, our God. | God a-lone is grace. |
| 5. Let us trust in the Lord, our God. | God a-lone is love. |
| 6. Let us nev-er be put to shame. | God a-lone for-gives. |
| 7. Let us live in the light of truth. | God a-lone is truth. |

Ref.: Reginald Heber, 1783-1826
Vss.: Paul A. Tate

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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 host, by the power of God cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

#PrayForTheChurch



Closing Hymn

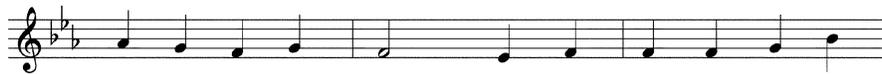
Now Thank We All Our God



1. Now thank we all our God With hearts and hands and
2. O may this gra-cious God Through all our life be
3. All praise and thanks to God The Fa-ther now be



voic-es, Who won-drous things has done, In
near us, With ev-er joy-ful hearts And
giv-en, The Son, and Spir-it blest, Who



whom his world re-joic-es; Who, from our moth-ers'
bles-sed peace to cheer us; Pre-serve us in his
reigns in high-est heav-en, E-ter-nal, Tri-une



arms, Hath blest us on our way With
grace, And guide us in dis-tress, And
God, Whom earth and heav'n a-dore; For



count-less gifts of love, And still is ours to-day.
free us from all sin, Till heav-en we pos-sess.
thus it was, is now, And shall be ev-er-more.

Text: *Nun danket alle Gott*; Martin Rinkart, 1586-1649; tr. by Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt.
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