

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance: “We Gather Together”

Verse 1: We gather together to ask the Lord’s blessing;
He chastens and hastens His will to make known;
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing;
Sing praises to His name; He forgets not His own.

Verse 2: Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining;
Whose kingdom calls all to the love which endures.
So from the beginning the fight we were winning:
You, Lord, were at our side; all glory be Yours!

Verse 3: We all do extol You, our leader triumphant,
And pray that You still our defender will be.
Let Your congregation escape tribulation:
Your name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

Psalm Response: “O blest are those who fear the Lord and walk in His ways.”

Preparation and Presentation of the Gifts: “Here I Am, Lord”

Verse 1: I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin, My hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard You calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if You lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart.

Verse 2: I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have born My people’s pain.
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak My word to the. Whom shall I send? (*Refrain*)

Verse 3: I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give My life to them. Whom shall I send? (*Refrain*)

Communion Song: “Bread for the World”

Refrain: Bread for the world: a world of hunger. Wine for all peoples: people who thirst.
May we who eat be bread for others. May we who drink pour out our love.

Verse 1: Lord Jesus Christ, You are the bread of life,
Broken to reach and heal the wounds of human pain.
Where we divide Your people, You are waiting there
On bended knee to wash our feet with endless care. (*Refrain*)

Verse 2: Lord Jesus Christ, You are the wine of peace,
Poured into hearts once broken and where dryness sleeps.
Where we are tired and weary, You are waiting there
To be the way which beckons us beyond despair. (*Refrain*)

Verse 3: Lord Jesus Christ, You call us to Your feast,
At which the rich and pow’rful have become the least.
Where we survive on others in our human greed
You walk among us begging for Your ev’ry need. (*Refrain*)

Recessional: “Out of Darkness”

Refrain: Out of darkness God has called us, claimed by Christ as God’s own people.
Holy nation, royal priesthood, walking in God’s marv’lous light.

Verse 1: Let us take the words You give, strong and faithful words to live.
Words that in our hearts are sown; words that bind us as Your own. (*Refrain*)

Verse 2: Let us take the Christ You give, Broken Body Christ we live.
Christ, the risen from the tomb; Christ, Who calls us as Your own. (*Refrain*)

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