

## October 27th – 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Opening Song Gather Us In

Here in this place new light is streaming  
Now is the darkness vanished away.  
See in this space our fears and our dreamings,  
Brought here to you in the light of this day.  
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken;  
Gather us in, the blind and the lame.  
Call to us now and we shall awaken,  
We shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young, our lives are a mystery.  
We are the old who yearn for your face.  
We have been sung throughout all of history,  
called to be light for the whole human race.  
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty,  
Gather us in, the proud and the strong.  
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly,  
Give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water.  
Here we will take the bread of new birth.  
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters;  
Call us a-new to be salt for the earth.  
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,  
Give us to eat the bread that is you.  
Nourish us well and teach us to fashion  
Lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

Not in some dark of buildings confining;  
Not in some heaven light years away,  
But here in this place the new light is shining.  
Now is the Kingdom, now is the day.  
Gather us in and hold us forever.  
Gather us in and make us your own.  
Gather us in, all peoples together;  
Fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

Presider: We gather together on this Sacred Morning in the name of God, who is the Source of All Being, God who is the Incarnation, and God who is Holy Spirit

**All: Amen**

### Rite of Reconciliation

**All: Lord have Mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord Have Mercy**

**Gloria All:** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to all beings on earth. Lord God, heavenly Being, Compassionate God and Creator. We worship You, we give You thanks, and we praise You for Your glory. Lord Jesus who is the Christ, only Son of God; Lord God, Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of God; receive our prayer. For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus the Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God our Creator. Amen.

**Opening Prayer: All:** Loving Creator, strengthen our faith, hope and love. May we do with loving hearts what you call us to do and come to share the life you promise. We ask this through Jesus, who is the Christ, Amen.

### **Liturgy of the Word:**

1st Reading: Jeremiah 31: 7-9

Resp. Psalm: Psalm 126: 1-6

**The Lord has done great things for us;  
we are filled with joy.**

2nd Reading: Hebrews 5: 1-6

Gospel: Mark 10: 46-52

### **Homily and Sharing**

All are welcome to share your thoughts and insights of the homily.

### **Intentional Prayers**

#### **Liturgy of the Eucharist**

*As the altar is set, please feel welcome to also have a small piece of bread that will also be consecrated so that you can receive communion.*

#### **Preparations:**

Presider: Blessed are you, God of all creation. You are the giver of this bread, fruit of the earth and of human labor. It will become for us the Bread of Life

**All: Blessed be God forever**

Presider: Blessed are you, God of all creation. You are the giver of this wine (and juice), fruit of the vine and of human labor. It will become our spiritual drink.

**All: Blessed be God forever.**

Presider: Source of All Being, we ask you to receive us and be pleased with the gifts we offer you with humble and contrite hearts.... Pray, my sisters and brothers, that these our gifts may be acceptable to God, who is both Mother and Father.

**All: May God accept these gifts from our hands for the praise and glory of God's name, for our good, and the good of all God's people.**

**Prayer over the Gifts:** Loving God, receive the gifts we offer and let our service give you glory. We ask this in the name of Jesus, who is the Christ, Amen.

Presider: The God of Compassion is with you. **All: And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **All: We lift them up to God.** Let us give thanks to our Creator **All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

**Preface:**

Presider: All loving and ever-living God, we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks through Jesus, who is the Christ. By his birth, we are reborn. in his suffering, we are made free. By his rising from the dead, we rise to everlasting life. in his return to you we enter the heavenly realm. And so, we join the angels and the saints and sing the unending hymn of praise:

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might; heaven and earth are filled with your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Presider and **all:** *Source of All Being, you are holy indeed, the fountain of all holiness. Let your spirit come upon these gifts to make them holy, so that they may become for us the Body and Blood of your son, Jesus, the Christ, at whose invitation we celebrate this eucharist.*

Presider: Before he was given up to death, a death he freely accepted, he took bread and gave you thanks and praise. He broke the bread, gave it to his friends and said; "Take this all of you and eat it. This is my Body which will be given up to you."

Presider: When supper was ended, Jesus took the cup. Again he gave you thanks and praise, gave the cup to his friends and said: "Take this all of you and drink from it. This is the cup of my Blood, the Blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me."

Presider: Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

**All: Christ Jesus, by your life, death and resurrection you have set us free. You are the redeemer of the world.**

Presider: In memory of his life, death and resurrection we offer you, God of Compassion, this life-giving bread, this redeeming cup. We thank you for counting us worthy to be in your presence and serve you. May all of us who share in the body and blood of the Christ remember our connection with the Circle of Life and our unity through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

Loving God, remember your People throughout the world and nurture our growth in love together with our bishop Michael, and all the people of God.

Remember our family members, our partners, spouses, pets and friends, and all who have walked with us on the life's journey and who have crossed over to be completely in the light of your divine presence. With gratitude, we honor them and are thankful they shared their lives with us.

Keep us mindful of the precious gift of our Mother Earth, and all of creation. Continue to awaken us to her wondrous mystery. May your love for your creation show us the path to harmony and balance.

May we always remember your Compassion, as we share eternal life with Mary, the Mother of God, with all who have followed the spiritual path and who have done your will throughout the ages. May we praise you in union with them, and give you glory through your Son, Jesus, our brother, who is the Christ.

**ALL: Through him, with him, in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honor are yours, our loving God  
forever and ever, Amen**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, now and forever. Amen.**

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you**

**All: Lamb of God, your love and compassion heals the world, have mercy on us ...  
Lamb of God, your love and compassion heals the world, have mercy on us ...  
Lamb of God, your love and compassion heals the world, grant us peace**

**(the Sacred Bread is given out, after which we all receive together)**

**Prayer of Receiving: All: Lord, you have made us worthy to receive you and by your Word, we are healed.**

**Communion Song: Be Not Afraid**

You shall cross the barren desert,  
But you shall not die of thirst.  
You shall wander far in safety  
Though you do not know the way.  
You shall speak your words in foreign lands

And all will understand.  
You shall see the face of God and live.

(Refrain)

Be not afraid, I go before you always.  
Come, follow me, and I will give you rest.

If you pass through raging waters  
In the sea you shall not drown.  
If you walk amid the burning flames,  
You shall not be harmed.  
If you stand before the power or hell,  
And death is at your side,  
Know that I am with you through it all.

Blessed are your poor,  
For the Kingdom shall be theirs  
Blest are you who weep and mourn,  
For one day you shall laugh.  
And if wicked tongues insult and hate you  
All because of me,  
Blessed, blessed are you.

**Communion Prayer:** All: God of Compassion, bring to perfection within us the communion we share in this sacrament. May our celebration be the celebration of our lives. In gratitude, we thank you through Jesus, the Christ, Amen

**Solemn Blessing**

Presider:

The Source of All Being blesses us and keeps us **All: Amen**

The face of God shines on us and is gracious to us **All: Amen**

We are looked upon with Kindness and peace dwells within **All: Amen**

And we are blessed by our Creator who is Mother and Father, who is Son, and who is Holy Spirit **All: Amen**

**Closing Song:** In the Garden

I come to the garden alone  
While the dew is still on the roses.  
And the voice I hear falling on my ear,  
The Son of God discloses;

(Refrain)

And He walks with me and He talks with me  
And He tells me I am His own,

And the joy we share as we tarry there,  
None other has ever known.

He speaks and the sound of His voice  
Is so sweet the birds hush their singing.  
And the melody that He gave to me  
Within my heart is ringing.

**Blessings to your day.  
Remember..  
Be all you are called to be.  
As you are Light, so let your light shine!**