



WELCOME TO SAINT LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 19/20, 2020

Celebrant: Rev. Thomas Schliessmann, Pastor

OPENING HYMN

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee – A459

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee,
Opening to the sun above.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee,
Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee,
Center of unbroken praise;

Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain,
Call us to rejoice in Thee!

Text: Henry Van Dyke, 1852-1933;
Tune: HYMN TO JOY, 87 87 D, Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770-1827;
Adapt. by Edward Hodges, 1796-1867

PENITENTIAL RITE

Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison.
Christe, eleison. Christe, eleison.
Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the
Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

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. **R. Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18

R. The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

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. **R. Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL

Matthew 20:1-16a

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.

R. 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,

(At the words that follow, all bow.)

**and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the
Virgin Mary, and became man. (end bow)**

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.

SANCTUS

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus. Dóminus Deus Sábaoth.
Pleni sunt caeli et terra glória tua. Hosánna in
excélsis. Benedíctus qui venit in nómine Dómini.
Hosánna in excélsis.

MYSTÉRIUM FÍDEI

Mortem tuam annuntiámus, Dómine,
et tuam resurrectionem confitémur, donec vénias.

AGNUS DEI

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis
pacem.

FINAL HYMN

COMPANIONS ON THE JOURNEY

REFRAIN

We are companions on the journey,
breaking bread and sharing life;
and in the love we bear is the hope we share
for we believe in the love of our God,
we believe in the love of our God.

No longer strangers to each other;
no longer strangers in God's house;
we are fed and we are nourished
by the strength of those who care,
by the strength of those who care.

REFRAIN

We have been gifted with each other,
and we are called by the Word of the Lord:
to act with justice, to love tenderly,
and to walk humbly with our God,
to walk humbly with our God.

REFRAIN

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