THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – "Sunday of the Word of God" January 21, 2024

GATHERING SONG: Sing Hey For the Carpenter

1. Come with me, come wander, come welcome the world Where strangers might smile or where stones may be hurled; Come leave what you cling to, lay down what you clutch And find, with hands empty, that hearts can hold much.

Sing hey for the carpenter leaving his tools! Sing hey for the Pharisees leaving their rules! Sing hey for the fishermen leaving their nets! Sing hey for the people who leave their regrets!

- Come walk in my comp'ny, come sleep by my side, Come savor a lifestyle with nothing to hide; Come sit at my table and eat with my friends, Discov'ring that love which the world never ends. Sing hey...
- 3. Come share in my laughter, come close to my fears, Come find yourself washed with the kiss of my tears; Come stand close at hand while I suffer and die And find in three days how I never will lie. Sing hey...
- 4. Come leave your possessions, come share out your treasure. Come give and receive without method or measure; Come loose ev'ry bond that's resisting the Spirit, Enabling the earth to be yours to inherit. Sing hey...

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GLORIA: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will!

LITURGY OF THE WORD - Readings

Responsorial Psalm 25: Teach me your ways, O Lord.

Prayer of the Faithful: *You may un-mute and share your prayers.*

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

My Sunday Offering to God



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Preparation of the Gifts

Leave All Things

- Two fishermen, who lived along the Sea of Galilee,
 Stood by the shore to cast their nets into an ageless sea.
 Now Jesus watched them from afar then called them each by name;
 It changed their lives, these simple men; they'd never be the same.
 Leave all things you have and come and follow me, and come and follow me.
- And as he walked along the shore 'twas James and John he'd find,
 And these two sons of Zebedee would leave their boats behind.
 Their work and all they held so dear they left beside their nets.
 Their names they'd heard as Jesus called; they came without regret.
 Leave all things you have and come and follow me, and come and follow me.
- 3. O Simon Peter, Andrew, James and John beloved one, You heard Christ's call to speak good news revealed to God's own Son. Susanna, Mary, Magdalene who traveled with your Lord, You ministered to him with joy for he is God adored. Leave all things you have and come and follow me, and come and follow me.
- 4. And you, good Christians, one and all who'd follow Jesus' way,
 Come leave behind what keeps you bound to trappings of our day,
 And listen as he calls your name to come and follow near,
 For still he speaks in varied ways to those his call will hear.
 Leave all things you have and come and follow me, and come and follow me.

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Spiritual Communion Prayer

Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

Communion Song:

Lord, When You Came

1. Lord, when you came to the seashore You weren't seeking the wise or the wealthy, But only asking that I might follow.

Refrain: O Lord, in my eyes you were gazing, kindly smiling, my name you were saying; All I treasured, I have left on the sand there; close to you, I will find other seas.

- 2. Lord, you knew what my boat carried: Neither money nor weapons for fighting, But nets for fishing, my daily labor.
- 3. Lord, have you need of my labor, Hands for service, a heart made for loving, My arms for lifting the poor and broken?
- 4. Lord, send me where you would have me, To a village, or heart of the city; I will remember that you are with me.

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Sending Forth Song: We Are Called

- 1. Come! Live in the light!
 Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!
 We are called to be light for the kingdom,
 to live in the freedom of the city of God!
 We are called to act with justice,
 we are called to love tenderly,
 we are called to serve one another;
 to walk humbly with God!
- Come! Open your heart!
 Show your mercy to all those in fear!
 We are called to be hope for the hopeless so all hatred and blindness will be no more!
 We are called...
- 3. Sing! Sing a new song!
 Sing of that great day when all will be one!
 God will reign, and we'll walk with each other as sisters and brothers united in love!
 We are called...

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