

**Today's Theme for Worship:** God promises to bring peace and rest after the struggles of this life.

**Opening Hymn: 338 — I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say**

- 1 I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest;  
Lay down, O weary one, lay down Your head upon my breast."  
I came to Jesus as I was, Weary and worn and sad;  
I found in him a resting place, And he has made me glad.
- 2 I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give  
The living water, thirsty one; Stoop down and drink and live."  
I came to Jesus, and I drank Of that life-giving stream;  
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, And now I live in him.
- 3 I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light.  
Look unto me; your morn shall rise And all your day be bright."  
I looked to Jesus, and I found In him my star, my sun;  
And in that light of life I'll walk Till trav'ling days are done.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-89.

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

**Confession of Sins**

P: Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord have mercy on me, a sinner.**

**Lord Have Mercy**

***Kyrie***

C: (*sung*) Lord, have mercy on us, Christ, have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy on us.

P: God our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son ✝ and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

### **Prayer and Praise**

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

### **♪ Glory Be to God**

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men,  
We praise you, we bless you, we worship you,  
we glorify you, we give thanks to you, for you great glory,

O Lord God, heavenly king, God the Father almighty,  
O Lord , the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
You take away the sin of the world; receive our prayer,  
You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.

For you only are holy; you only are the Lord.  
You only, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
are most high in the glory of God the Father, Amen

### **Prayer of the Day**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us Pray.

P: God of all power and might, you are the giver of all that is good. Help us to love you with all our heart, strengthen us in true faith, provide us with all we need, and keep us safe in your care; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **♪ Amen.**

**FIRST LESSON: Exodus 33:12-23** - *Moses had received the promise from the LORD that an angel would continue to guide the Israelites on the way to Canaan. The LORD reassures Moses: "My Presence will go with you and I will give you rest."*

<sup>12</sup> Moses said to the LORD, "You have been telling me, 'Lead these people,' but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. You have said, 'I know you by name and you have

found favor with me.’ <sup>13</sup> If you are pleased with me, teach me your ways so I may know you and continue to find favor with you. Remember that this nation is your people.”

<sup>14</sup> The LORD replied, “My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.”

<sup>15</sup> Then Moses said to him, “If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here. <sup>16</sup> How will anyone know that you are pleased with me and with your people unless you go with us? What else will distinguish me and your people from all the other people on the face of the earth?”

<sup>17</sup> And the LORD said to Moses, “I will do the very thing you have asked, because I am pleased with you and I know you by name.”

<sup>18</sup> Then Moses said, “Now show me your glory.”

<sup>19</sup> And the LORD said, “I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you, and I will proclaim my name, the LORD, in your presence. I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion. <sup>20</sup> But,” he said, “you cannot see my face, for no one may see me and live.”

<sup>21</sup> Then the LORD said, “There is a place near me where you may stand on a rock. <sup>22</sup> When my glory passes by, I will put you in a cleft in the rock and cover you with my hand until I have passed by. <sup>23</sup> Then I will remove my hand and you will see my back; but my face must not be seen.”

## **Psalm of the Day:** Psalm 145

### ***Refrain***

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise;\*  
his greatness no one can fathom.

One generation will commend your works to another;\*  
they will tell of your mighty acts.

The LORD upholds all those who fall\*  
and lifts up all who are bowed down.

### ***Refrain***

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

The eyes of all look to you,  
and you give them their food at the proper time.\*  
You open your hand  
and satisfy the desires of every living thing.

The LORD is near to all who call on him,\*  
to all who call on him in truth.

He fulfills the desires of those who fear him;\*  
he hears their cry and saves them.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son\*  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

### ***Refrain***

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

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P: The Gospel for today is recorded in the gospel according to St. Matthew, chapter 11.

C: **✠ Glory be to you, O Lord!**

**GOSPEL: Matthew 11:25-30** - *Jesus extends his invitation, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." He even invites little children to bear the burden of discipleship.*

<sup>25</sup>At that time, Jesus continued, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from clever and learned people and have revealed them to little children. <sup>26</sup>Yes, Father, because this was pleasing to you. <sup>27</sup>Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son wants to reveal him.

<sup>28</sup>"Come to me all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup>Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, because I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup>For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

P: This is the gospel of our Lord.

C: **✠ Praise be to you, O Christ!**

### **Nicene Creed**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again 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.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one

baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### **Hymn of the Day: 336 — Come unto Me, Ye Weary**

- 1 “Come unto me, ye weary, And I will give you rest.”  
O blessed voice of Jesus, Which comes to hearts oppressed!  
It tells of benediction, Of pardon, grace, and peace,  
Of joy that has no ending, Of love that cannot cease.
  
- 2 “Come unto me, ye wand’rers, And I will give you light.”  
O loving voice of Jesus, Which comes to cheer the night!  
Our hearts were filled with sadness, And we had lost our way;  
But thou hast brought us gladness And songs at break of day.
  
- 3 “Come unto me, ye fainting, And I will give you life.”  
O cheering voice of Jesus, Which comes to aid our strife!  
The foe is stern and eager; The fight is fierce and long;  
But thou hast made us mighty And stronger than the strong.
  
- 4 “And whosoever cometh, I will not cast him out.”  
O patient love of Jesus, Which drives away our doubt,  
Which, though we be unworthy Of love so great and free,  
Invites us very sinners To come, dear Lord, to thee!

Text: William C. Dix, 1837-98, alt.

### **Sermon**

### **Romans 7:15-25a**

<sup>15</sup>For I do not understand what I am doing, because I do not keep doing what I want. Instead, I do what I hate. <sup>16</sup>And if I do what I do not want to do, I agree that the law is good. <sup>17</sup>But now it is no longer I who am doing it, but it is sin living in me. <sup>18</sup>Indeed, I know that good does not live in me, that is, in my sinful flesh. The desire to do good is present with me, but I am not able to carry it out. <sup>19</sup>So I fail to do the good I want to do. Instead, the evil I do not want to do, that is what I keep doing. <sup>20</sup>Now if I do what I do not want to do, it is no longer I who am doing it, but it is sin living in me.

<sup>21</sup>So I find this law at work: When I want to do good, evil is present with me. <sup>22</sup>I certainly delight in God’s law according to my inner self, <sup>23</sup>but I see a different law at work in my members, waging war against the law of my mind and taking me captive to the law of sin, which is present in my members. <sup>24</sup>What a miserable wretch I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death?

<sup>25</sup>I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God,  
and re-new a right spir-it with-in me.

Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence,  
and take not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me.

Re-store un-to me the joy of your sal-va-tion,  
and up-hold me with your free Spir-it. A-men.

## **Offering Prayer**

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## **Prayer of the Church**

### **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, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

### **The Sacrament**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **✠ And also with you.**

P: **Lift up your hearts.**

C: **✠ We lift them up to the Lord.**

P: **Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.**

C: **✠ It is good and right so to do.**

P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock till he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

### ♪ **Holy, Holy, Holy**

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord God of heav-en-ly hosts:  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry.

Ho-san-na, ho-san-na, ho-san-na in the high-est.

Bless-ed is he, bless-ed is he,  
bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Ho-san-na, ho-san-na, ho-san-na in the high-est.

### **Words of Institution**

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying “Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: ♪ **A-men.**

### ♪ **O Christ, Lamb Of God**

O Christ, Lamb of God,  
you take a-way the sin of the world;  
have mer-cy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God,  
you take a-way the sin of the world;  
have mer-cy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God,  
you take a-way the sin of the world;  
grant us your peace. A-men.

## Distribution Hymn: 258 — Now Let All Loudly

- 1 Now let all loudly Sing praise to God the Lord;  
Christendom, proudly Laud him with one accord. Gently he bids you come before him.  
Haste, then, O Israel, now adore him! Haste, then, O Israel, now adore him!
- 2 The Lord is reigning Over the universe,  
The world sustaining. All things his praise rehearse.  
The angel host his glory telling, Psalter and harp are the anthem swelling.  
Psalter and harp are the anthem swelling.
- 3 Come, heathen races, Cast off all grief and cares,  
For pleasant places Your Savior now prepares,  
Where his blest Word abroad is sounded, Pardon for sinners and grace unbounded;  
Pardon for sinners and grace unbounded.
- 4 Richly he feeds us Always and ev'rywhere.  
Gently he leads us With a true father's care.  
The late and early rains he sends us. Daily his blessing, his love, attends us.  
Daily his blessing, his love, attends us.
- 5 Sing we his praises Who is thus merciful.  
Christendom raises Songs to his glorious rule.  
Rejoice! No foe shall now alarm us. He will protect us, and who can harm us?  
He will protect us, and who can harm us?

Text: Matthäus Apelles von Löwenstern, 1594-1648; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-78, alt.

## Song of Simeon

Lord, now you let your servant de-part in peace  
ac-cord-ing to your word.

For my eyes have seen your salvation,  
which you have pre-pared be-fore the face of all people,

a light to light-en the Gen-tiles  
and the glo-ry of your peo-ple Is-ra-el.

P: O Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: **And his mercy endures forever.**

## Prayer and Blessing

P: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

*OR*



P: O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving-kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **A-men.**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

C: **A-men. A-men. A-men.**

### **Closing Hymn: 519 — O God of Love, O King of Peace**

1 O God of love, O King of peace,  
Make wars throughout the world to cease;  
Our greed and sinful wrath restrain-  
Give peace, O God, give peace again.

2 Remember, Lord, your works of old,  
The wonders that our elders told;  
Remember not our sins' dark stain-  
Give peace, O God, give peace again.

3 Whom shall we trust but you, O Lord?  
Where rest but on your faithful Word?  
None ever called on you in vain-  
Give peace, O God, give peace again.

4 Where saints and angels dwell above,  
All hearts are knit in holy love;  
Oh, bind us in that heav'nly chain-  
Give peace, O God, give peace again.

Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821-77, alt.

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