

**Sunday, October 1, 2023**  
**The 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Lead Me, Guide Me (Akers) ... BB402**

Refrain:

Lead me, guide me along the way,  
For if you lead me, I cannot stray.  
Lord, let me walk each day with thee.  
Lead me, oh Lord, lead me.

VS1 I am weak and I need thy strength  
And pow'r to help me over my weakest hour.  
Help me through the darkness thy face to see,  
Lead me oh Lord, lead me.

VS2 Help me tread in the paths of righteousness  
Be my aid when Satan and sin oppress.  
I am putting all my trust in thee.  
Lead me oh Lord, lead me.

VS3

I am lost if you take your hand from me.  
I am blind without thy might to see,  
Lord just always let me thy servant be.  
Lead me oh Lord, lead me.

**Gloria – Mass of Creation (Haugen) ... BB884**

**First Reading**

**A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah**

Seek the Most High God while our God may be found,  
call upon God who is now very near.

Let the scoundrels forsake their ways,  
and the wicked their thoughts;  
let them turn to God 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 most High God.

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 our God.

**Responsorial Thurs & 8am: To You, O Lord (Haugen) ... G34**

Refrain: To you, O Lord, I lift my soul, to you, I lift my soul.

1. Lord, make me know your ways, teach me your paths  
and keep me in the way of your truth, for you are God, my Savior.
2. For the Lord is good and righteous, revealing the way to those who wander,  
gently leading the poor and the humble.
3. To the ones who seek the Lord, who look to God's word, who live God's love,  
God will always be near, and will show them mercy.

**Responsorial 10am: To You, O God (Hurd) ... BB407**

[Refrain] To You , O God I lift up my soul;  
Lift up my spirit to my Lord.  
To you I lift up my soul

[Verse 1]  
Make me to know your ways O God;  
Teach me your paths, guide me.  
You are my Savior.

[Verse2]  
Good and upright our gracious God,  
Showing the way,  
Guiding the humble to justice.

[Verse 3]  
Steadfast and kind your ways, O God;  
All who revere your covenant know your friendship.  
Second Reading

**A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the people of Philippi  
Sisters and brothers:**

If there is any encouragement in Christ,

any solace in love,  
any participation in the Spirit,  
any compassion and mercy,  
complete my joy by being of the same mind, with the same love,  
united in heart, thinking one thing.  
Do nothing out of selfishness or out of vainglory;  
rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves,  
looking out not for your own interests,  
but also for those of others.  
Have in you the same attitude  
that is also in Christ Jesus,  
Who, though Christ was in the form of God,  
did not regard equality with God  
something to be grasped.  
Rather, he emptied himself,  
taking the form of a slave,  
coming in human likeness;  
and found human in appearance,  
he humbled himself,  
becoming obedient to the point of death,  
even death on a cross.  
Because of this, God greatly exalted Christ Jesus  
and bestowed on him the name  
which is above every name,  
that at the name of Jesus  
every knee should bend,  
of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
and every tongue confess that  
Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

### **The Word of our God.**

#### **Gospel Acclamation: Missa Pacem (Babin)**

***“Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! (2X)***

*“My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord;  
I know them, and they follow me.”*

#### **Gospel Reading**

**A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew**

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people:

"What is your opinion?  
A man had two sons.  
He came to the first and said,  
'Son, go out and work in the vineyard today.'

He said in reply, 'I will not, '  
but afterwards changed his mind and went.

The man came to the other son and gave the same order.

He said in reply, 'Yes, sir, 'but did not go.

Which of the two did the father's will?"

They answered, "The first."

Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you. When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him."

The Good News of salvation.

## **Homily**

### **Universal Intercessions**

**Our response: Loving God, hear our prayer.**

For the Church: that we may more and more put on the attitude of Christ and empty ourselves into God's loving care and the service of others.  
Let us pray to our God...

For a healing of our attitudes: that God will free us from the control of pride, selfishness and glory, and help us to serve others with love, patience, and humility. Let us pray to our God...

For all who are sick, that God will bring healing to them and wisdom to those caring for them. Let us pray to our God...

For all those who are working to recover from hurricanes and wildfires

and to rebuild their lives. Let us pray to our God...

And for what else shall we as a community pray...

## **The Liturgy of the Eucharist**

### **Preparation of Gifts**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

**Blessed be God forever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

**Blessed be God forever.**

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.**

Accept, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful with the sacrificial offerings, that, through these acts of devotedness, we may pass over to the glory of heaven. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Eucharistic Prayer *(if you are watching the video or listening to the audio, please follow along and participate with Fr. Jack; and continue with the Communion Songs below.)*

### **Prep: These Alone Are Enough (Schutte) ... BB399**

Take my heart, O Lord, take my hopes and dreams.

Take my mind with all its plans and schemes.

Give me nothing more than your love and grace.

These alone, O God, are enough for me.

Take my thoughts, Oh Lord, and my memory.

Take my tears, my joys, my liberty.

Give me nothing more than your love and grace.

These alone, O God, are enough for me.

I surrender, Lord, all I have and Hold.

I return to you your gifts untold.

Give me nothing more than your love and grace.

These alone, O God, are enough for me.

When the darkness falls on my final days,  
take the very breath that sang your praise.  
Give me nothing more than your love and grace.  
These alone, O God, are enough for me.

**Mass Parts: Missa Pacem (Babin)**

**Lamb of God: Mass of the Goodness of God (Kendzia)**

**Communion1: Behold the Lamb (Willett) ... BB340**

VS1. Those who were in the dark  
are thankful for the sunlight;  
we who live, we who die  
are grateful for his gift, thankful for his love.

Refrain: Behold, behold the Lamb of God.  
All who eat, all who drink shall live;  
and all, all who dwell in God  
shall come to know his glory.

VS2. Peaceful now, those whose hearts  
are blessed with understanding  
of the wheat, of the wine  
united with his word and the love we share.

VS3. Gentle one, Child of God, join with us at this table.  
Bless our lives; nourish all  
who hunger for this feast;  
shelter them with peace.

VS4. Lord of all, give us light.  
Deliver us from evil.  
Make us one; be our shield.  
Make still the winds that blow; cradle us with love

**Communion2: Angels, Come in Celebration (Dufner/Smith)**

V1 Angels, come in celebration, sing and swell our joyful song.  
May the might of your elation bear all weary hearts along.  
Come and worship, come and worship, lift our hearts on wings of song.

V2 Angels, with the saints in glory praising God in beauty bright.  
Sing for us creation's story, land and sea and stars of light.  
Come and worship, come and worship, praise with us the God of light!

V5 Angels, come in jubilation, chanting hymns of thund'rous praise.

Sing the Word of revelation, God at work in wondrous ways.  
Come and worship, come and worship, praise with us God's wondrous ways!

### **Prayer after Communion**

### **Announcements**

**Go in peace,  
Thanks be to God.**

### **Sending: Sing to the Mountains (Schutte) ... BB544**

REFRAIN: Sing to the mountains, sing to the sea.  
Raise your voices, lift your hearts.  
This is the day the Lord has made.  
Let all the earth rejoice.

1 I will give thanks to you, my Lord.  
You have answered my plea.  
You have saved my soul from death.  
You are my strength and my song. [Refrain]

2 Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. [Refrain]

3 This is the day that the Lord has made.  
Let us be glad and rejoice.  
He has turned all death to life.  
Sing of the glory of God. [Refrain]