Sunday, July 21, 2024 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gathering: Gather Your People (Hurd) ... BB310

Refrain: Gather your people, O Lord. Gather your people, O Lord. One bread, one body, one spirit of love. Gather your people, O Lord.

- Vs. 1: Draw us forth to the table of life: brothers and sisters, each of us called to walk in your light.
- Vs. 2: We are parts of the body of Christ, needing each other, each of the gifts the Spirit provides.
- Vs. 3: No more harm on the mountain of God: swords into plowshares. Free us, O Lord, from hardness of heart.
- Vs. 4: Wash us, Lord, in the waters of life: waters of mercy, waters of hope that flow from your side.

Gloria: Mass of Renewal (Stephan) ... BB876

First Reading

A reading from the Book of Jeremiah

Woe to the shepherds who mislead and scatter the flock of my pasture, says the Almighty God.

Therefore, thus says the God of Israel, against the shepherds who shepherd my people: You have scattered my sheep and driven them away. You have not cared for them, but I will take care to punish your evil deeds.

I myself will gather the remnant of my flock from all the lands to which I have driven them and bring them back to their meadow; there they shall increase and multiply. I will appoint shepherds for them who will shepherd them so that they need no longer fear and tremble; and none shall be missing, says our God.

Behold, the days are coming, when I will raise up a righteous shoot to David; as king he shall reign and govern wisely, he shall do what is just and right in the land. In his days Judah shall be saved, Israel shall dwell in security. This is the name they give him: "Almighty God, our justice."

The word of God.

Responsorial 8am: My Shepherd is the Lord (Gelineau SJ) ... BB759

(Refrain) My shepherd is the Lord, nothing indeed shall I want.

(V1) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures, where you give me repose. Near restful waters you lead me, to revive my wilting spirit.

(V2) You guide me along the right path; you are true to your name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness, no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and staff; with these you give me comfort.

(V3) You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil, My cup is overflowing.

(V4) Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me, all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell, for ever and ever.

Responsorial 10am: The Lord is My Shepherd (Crandal) ... BB758 & H/O

Refrain

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Vs. 1: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose; Beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul. **Refrain**

Vs. 2: He guides me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil;

For you are at my side with your rod and your staff That give me courage.

Refrain

Vs. 3: You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes; You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. **Refrain**

Vs. 3: Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life; And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for years to come. **Refrain**

Second Reading

A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians

Brothers and sisters:

In Christ Jesus you who once were far off have become near by the blood of Christ.
For Christ is our peace, Christ who made both one and broke down the dividing wall of enmity, through his flesh, abolishing the law with its commandments and legal claims, that he might create in himself one new person in place of the two,

thus establishing peace,
and might reconcile both with God,
in one body, through the cross,
putting that enmity to death by it.
Christ came and preached peace to you who were far off
and peace to those who were near,
for through Christ we both have access in one Spirit to the Most
High.

The word of God

Gospel Acclamation: Mass of Renewal (Stephan) ... BB877

"[Jesus,] Break down the walls between us; That we may be gathered by the One who is our peace."

Gospel Reading

A reading from the Gospel according to Mark

The apostles gathered together with Jesus and reported all they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." People were coming and going in great numbers, and they had no opportunity even to eat. So they went off in the boat by themselves to a deserted place. People saw them leaving and many came to know about it. They hastened there on foot from all the towns and arrived at the place before them. When Jesus disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd;

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and he began to teach them many things.

Homily

Prayers of the Faithful

Response: God, our Shepherd, hear our prayer. (God, our Shepherd, hear our prayer.)

For all who are overwhelmed by busyness: that God will help them slow down and be aware of the gifts and blessings that are in their life each day, let us pray...

For all who exercise leadership: that they may place their gifts unselfishly in the service of others and draw forth the gifts of others, let us pray...

For all bishops and others in church leadership: that they may have the hearts of true shepherds and guide the church closer to Jesus, let us pray...

For refugees, migrant workers, the homeless, and the oppressed: that God may show them a shepherd's care and raise up effective leaders to assist them, let us pray...

For the repose of the soul of Andrew Wimmer and all who have gone before us in Christ, let us pray...

And for what else shall we pray?...

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of Gifts

Offertory: God Alone May Lead My Spirit (Conry) ... H/O / #49-in pews

Refr God alone may lead my spirit far away from want and fear, for the Lord is my true Shepherd and I know the Lord is near.

V1 I am led beside God's peaceful water and I sleep in the arms of the earth. Who guides me along paths of honour? Who refreshes my life from my birth?

V2 Though I wander the valley of dying, I shall know that I walk in Your sight, with Your staff that is ever before me and Your rod to guard at my right.

V3 You have spread Your banquet before me in the unbroken sight of my foes, while my head is anointed with kindness and the cup of my life overflows.

V4 Only mercy and goodness pursue me while that breath and that justice endure. And I'll dwell in the house of God's keeping Who has opened the mouths of the poor.

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.)

Holy: Mass of Renewal (Stephan) ... BB879

Mem: Mass of Renewal - When We Eat This Bread (Stephan) ... BB881

Amen: Mass of Renewal (Stephan) ... BB883

Lamb of God: Mass of Renewal (Stephan) ... BB884

Communion 1: Come to Us (Cooney) ... G538

Verse 1

Come to me, come to us, you who are burdened. Come to the word, and come to the meal. Come without question or pressure or price; Come, be embraced by the body of Christ.

Verse 2

Come to me, come to us, pilgrim or stranger, Looking for change or challenge or light. We are the people whose calling is care, Bearers of mercy, nourished in prayer.

Verse 3

Come to me, come to us, broken or building, Come with your children, your choices, your chains. All are invited to friendship or rest To share in our struggle, our call and our quest.

Communion 2: We Remember (Haugen) (V1,V2,V4) ... BB510

Refr We remember how you loved us to your death, and still we celebrate, for you are with us here; and we believe that we will see you when you come in your glory, Lord. We remember, we celebrate, we believe.

V1 Here, a million wounded souls are yearning just to touch you and be healed. Gather all your people, and hold them to your heart.

V2 Now we recreate your love, we bring the bread and wine to share a meal. Sign of grace and mercy, the presence of the Lord.

V4 See the face of Christ revealed in ev'ry person standing by your side, Gift to one another, and temples of your love.

Prayer after Communion

Announcements

Sending: Bring Forth the City (Haugen) ... G468

Verse 1

You are salt for the earth, O people, salt for the city of God!
Share the flavor of life, O people:
life in the City of God!

Refrain

Bring forth the City of mercy, bring forth the City of peace. Bring forth the City of justice, bring forth the City of God!

Verse 2

You are a light on the hill, O people, light for the city of God!
Shine so holy and bright, O people: shine for the City of God!

Verse 3

You are a seed of the word, O people, bring forth the City of God!
Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice, grow in the City of God!

Verse 4

We are the bless'd and a pilgrim people,

bound for the City of God! Love our journey and love our homeland: love is the City of God!