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GATHERING

In This Place

Trevor Thomson



All our lives are a Myst'ry; we see not where they lead. We are asked now to trust you and we know we must believe. As our feet become Christ's feet, we go forth with the grace of the power and the Spirit that is here in this place.

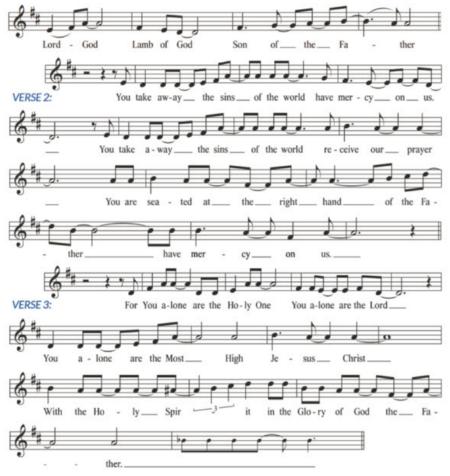
Though the world may tell us to look at ourselves, we reach out to another where suffering dwells.

As our hands become Christ's hands, we are healed by the grace of the power and the Spirit that is here in this place.

In the bread that is broken is the Christ that restores. As we take, now receive him, we find love evermore. As the bread becomes Body, we are filled with the grace of the power and the Spirit that is here in this place.

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Reading 1

Ezekial 33:7-9

Reading 2

Romans 13:8-10

Gospel Reading

Matthew 18:15-20



Jesse Manibusan

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 95: If Today You Hear God's Voice



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Joyfully sing unto the Lord, let us acclaim the Rock of our salvation.

Into the presence of our God come with thanksgiving, joyfully singing psalms.

Come let us worship and bow down; O let us kneel before the Lord our maker.

We are the people of the Lord, the Lord our shepherd. We are the flock he guides.

Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as in the day of Massah in the desert. There your fathers tempted me, testing me, though they had seen my works.

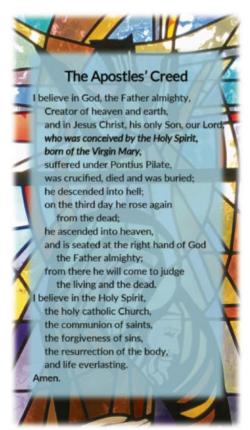
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Celtic Alleluia Fintan O'Carroll & Christopher Walker, Gather #334

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



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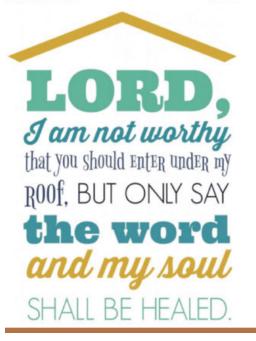
INTERCESSION RESPONSE

O God, Hear Us

Bob Hurd

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"Mass of Creation" Marty Haugen
Holy, Holy, Holy #198
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COMMUNION SONGS

If Today

Bob Hurd & Joe Bellamy

Sing out, O people, with songs of gladness. Let us acclaim the rock of our salvation.

Come, let us worship the God who made us, the one who guides and shepherds us with love.

Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our Maker. For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.

Psalm 95:6-7



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SENDING FORTH

God Sends Us Forth

Tony Alonso, Gather #759





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"The Golden Rule"

Hello again!

We have all heard of the "golden rule" and we have all taken it to heart. As a father of young children, it has become something that I've tried to instill in their hearts. I know I'm not alone in this, because I not only see it in the way we conduct ourselves, but it's something that is commonly expressed. I see it in movies, TV shows, books, etc. It is safe to say, that any good human being lives according to the "golden rule."

It's nice to see that St. Paul also expresses this in our second reading today. He basically declares that if you follow certain portions of the Ten Commandments, you are loving neighbor as yourself. Sometimes it's nice to see scripture back-up things that we already know. Sometimes it is good to see that holy people lived with the same common sense that we have.

In our Gospel, we also hear a common saying, "Where two or more are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them." When we hear this, we recognize that communal prayer and liturgy is quite powerful and also pleasing to God. With that said, we tend to forget about the context before this verse is expressed.

To live under the "golden rule" can be a difficult choice. There are times where it is easy and rewards seem substantial. Earlier in this same Gospel, though, Jesus expresses the importance of helping our neighbor when they sin against you. His process seems difficult, but also filled with love.

To love neighbor is to desire the best for them. Sometimes when someone is in a rut, God requires a community to care and to help them see. When one member of the Body of Christ is suffering, sometimes it is proper to have multiple members love them. Sometimes the "golden rule" involved a difficulty decision in helping others, even when they don't want to be helped. We know that when multiple disciples are present in aid, our Lord is there with them.

Let us pray for all those who are in a rut, and let's remind them that we are there for them. Let's not lose hope in those who have lost faith, but rather, let us pray together for them. Let's also remember that self-

righteousness and gossip have no place in discipleship, but rather, gentleness, compassion and charity. Be the disciples who continue to make the "golden rule" common amongst the church.

God Bless,

Brett Becker

Youth and Young Adult Minister

Family

Saints Among Us ~ Begins September 17

A Sunday school program for specially-abled young adults. They meet on the third Sunday of the month for fun and fellowship through reading scripture, art projects, music, and snacks. All are welcome! 1:30 pm, Carmel rooms. Questions: Ross Porter pointsite@aol.com

Children

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Little Church ~ September 10, 24

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Children's Liturgy of the Word \sim Returns October 1, during 11:00 am Mass

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Spark! ~ At Home

Grades 1 - 5. Jesus knew that disagreements would happen. In today's Gospel, Jesus talks about how we can resolve them. Jesus told us the person we should talk to first when we have a disagreement. If that person isn't willing to listen and solve the disagreement, we might need to ask for help from other people. We can also pray when we have disagreements. We can ask Jesus to help us calm down, listen respectfully, and ask for or offer forgiveness. Take a moment to thank Jesus in the quiet of our hearts for teaching us about resolving disagreements. *Parent Orientation Meeting September 11 and 12 at 6:30 pm, in the Serra Center.*

Three-Sixteen ~

Middle school ministry ~ Grades 6, 7, and 8. Jesus knew that disagreements would happen. In today's Gospel, Jesus talks about how we can resolve them. Jesus told us the person we should talk to first when we have a disagreement. If that person isn't willing to listen and solve the disagreement, we might need to ask for help from other people. We can also pray when we have disagreements. We can ask Jesus to help us calm down, listen respectfully, and ask for or offer forgiveness. Take a moment to thank Jesus in the quiet of our hearts for teaching us about resolving disagreements. *Parent Orientation Meeting September 11 and 12 at 6:30 pm, in the Serra Center.*

High School

Everyone from 14 to 18 is welcome!

4:12

Join Brett and peer leaders for summer youth activities or to hang out in the youth lounge. Follow us on Instagram @pspyouth for more information, or contact brett@padreserra.org

Confirmation ~ Youth Ministry kicks off Sunday, September 24

All Confirmation Y1 and Y2 teens are invited. Confirmation Y1 - Weekly Sessions begin on October 1. Confirmation Y2- Weekly Ministry returns September 24. Please contact brett@padreserra.org or tere@padreserra.org with any questions regarding your weekly ministry. Parent Orientation Meeting September 11 and 12 at 6:30 pm, in the Serra Center.

Adults

Bible Faith Share ~ September 11, 18, 25

In-person faith sharing group, Mondays 8:45 - 9:45 am, San Juan Capistrano room. Sherry Reynolds sherryr2256@gmail.com. Visit www.padreserra.org/faith-sharing

Chronic Pain Support Group ~ September 11

Living (or suffering) with chronic pain is a challenge that can strain both spirits and relationships, but that journey can be lightened by those who understand. Join us as we share our stories, resources, and other life tips. We offer one another comfort, hope, and support, journeying toward God's loving peace. Meets the second Monday, 10:30 am. Marcia mjgalles@gmail.com or Dave dave.mccormick.mba@gmail.com. Visit www.padreserra.org/chronic-pain

Living Liturgy Bible Study ~ September 12, 19, 26

Tuesdays with Paul Ford return! Dr. Ford leads a weekly study of the upcoming Sunday readings, which helps us better understand scripture, the Gospel message, and how it applies to our lives. Resource books are available for purchase, or bring your Bible or smart device. 8:30 - 9:30 am, Serra Center. Contact Paul Ford paulfford@stjohnsem.edu

Conversational Spanish ~ September 19

We gather to share faith, fun, and Spanish. Come learn and practice Spanish vocabulary, grammar, and conversation to help you gain confidence and feel more comfortable in everyday situations. All levels are welcome. First and third Tuesday, 9:45 - 10:45 am, San Fernando room. Patricia Guzmán spanish@padreserra.org

Meditative Movement ~ September 12, 14

Women and men of any age are invited to join instructor Sheila Montgomery for meditative movement: Tai Chi Tuesdays, 2:00 - 2:45 pm \$5/class, and Yoga Thursdays, 2:00 - 2:45 \$10/class. Serra Center. Sheila Montgomery sheilam274@yahoo.com. Visit www.padreserra.org/meditative-movement



Adults

Seniors Adapted Exercise ~ September 13, 20, 27

All seniors are invited to a weekly class of adaptive exercises that is gentle and easy, focuses on balance, involves using chairs for support, and alternating standing and sitting. Bring your own hand weights if you wish. Call/text Marg (805) 405·9901.

Cancer Support Group ~ September 14

We provide hope, empowerment, love, and prayer in a comforting atmosphere of encouragement. It is a safe environment for people touched by cancer to connect with others in a productive and spiritual way. Second Thursday, 6:30 - 8:00 pm, San Fernando room. Contact teresa@padeserra.org. Visit www.padreserra.org/cancer

Writers Group ~ September 15, 22, 29

We gather. We pray. We write. If you enjoy writing, you are welcome to share your work any Friday and listen to others' inspiring writing. Fridays 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, San Fernando room. Linda Lowe calmest1@verizon.net. Visit www.padreserra.org/writers

Catholics in Conversation ~ Begins October 5

A four-week conversation unpacking Dr. Phyllis Zagano's book *Just Church: Catholic Social Teaching, Synodality, and Women.*Thursdays, October 5, 12, 19, 26 at 7:00 pm. Questions/register:
Anne Hansen ahansen@ignatianswest.org, Teresa Runyon teresa@padreserra.org

Becoming Catholic

Catholic Inquiry's Summer Gathering Dates ~ September 19

Have you considered becoming Catholic? Summer is a good time to begin! During the summer, Inquiry continues to meet but only twice a month; we watch DVDs on various Catholic themes, followed by a discussion in a relaxed atmosphere, or we enjoy guest speakers or field trips! In October, we will resume our weekly meetings. Join us! For information on the process of becoming Catholic, or if you are a Catholic adult already baptized and want to receive First Communion and Confirmation, please get in touch with Mary Huebner at (805) 482·6417 x321 or becomingcatholic@padreserra.org. Visit www.padreserra.org/becoming-catholic

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In the Community

That Man Is You ~ Begins September 16

St. Mary Magdalen invites all men who are looking to deepen their relationship with God, be better husbands and fathers, and build friendships with other like-minded men to join That Man is You. Gather for breakfast, presentation, and discussion on Saturdays at 6:30 am in SMM hall. Contact: (805) 272.0010,

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Faith Sharing Question

Reflection questions for every gathering around any table

Matthew 18:15-20 ~ When we join together in faith, Jesus is here
Jesus tells us about the importance and value of unity in friendship
and in the Christian community. What do you see as some of the
primary challenges to Christian unity? How could you play a part in
overcoming them?

Prayer Life

Pray for Our Sick

Don Absey, Julieann Adriano, Ronaldo Adriano, Patrick Bair, Clinton Baker Jr., Joanne M. Blayney, Mary Rose Boral, Ryan Carrigan, Cheryl Cohn, Stephanie Cruz, Shari Edie, Mike Eliason, Ben Fisco, Mary Margaret Freese, Tim Graf, Jasna Haller, Don Horcher, Barbara Humphreys, Joyette Jagolino, Kate Johnson, Jane Joubert, Rowan Lepore, Maria Maldonado, Dave McDonnell, Bob McNally, Leticia Melendez, Carole Mingay, Donald Mingay, Luke Mueller, Mary Mullen, Binh Ninh, Maria Luisa Orelan, Daniel Orr, Angela Ortiz, David Padberg, Brixton Pena, Dave Proett, Edward Quila, Ritchelle Ramirez, Renee Ramonette, Mike Robles, Bill Rumble, Dominick Savo, Dorothy Simmons, Fr. Stephen Szeman, Martha May Velasquez, Rita Wronkiewicz and Jerry Zins Sr. (Names are refreshed monthly.)

Remember Our Dead

Prayers for family and friends of those who have died recently: Matthew Greenlee, RIP

Judy Hawthorne, RIP

Ronaldo M. Reyes, RIP

May they enjoy peace in their life with Christ Jesus.

Funerals

- Rochelle Hithe ~ September 14, 11:00 am
- Therese (Tish) Hearne ~ September 16, 10:00 am
- Marie-Ruth Willcox ~ September 16, 11:00 am
- David Legerski ~ September 23, 10:00 am
- Susan Craddock ~ September 30, 10:00 am
- Patricia Andrus ~ November 10, 11:00 am

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