

15th November 2020 | Ordinary Time | Year A

Welcome, Announcements, Call to Worship & Opening Prayer: **Rev. Janice**

Call to Worship

Rev: We come before God not fearfully but adoringly,

All: We worship not as a duty but with delight.

Rev: God has not marked us for punishment

All: But for salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Rev: Lift up your eyes beyond anxieties

All: God whose glory exceeds the starry skies,

Rev: As building each other up in faith and joy.

First Reading 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you, yourselves, know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape!

But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness.

So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation.

For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing. **

Second Reading: Psalm 123

To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens! As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master, as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the LORD our God, until he has mercy upon us. Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us, for we have had more than enough of contempt.

Our soul has had more than its fill of the scorn of those who are at ease, of the contempt of the proud. **

Sermon: Rev. Janice

Invitation to the Offering & Community Prayers of the people:

Will you please join me in the Prayer that Jesus taught us

Our Creator, which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever Amen **

Preparation and Confession: Rev. Janice

Leader: For those times when we have been tempted to focus only on the things of this world, on our comforts and our power; when we want an easier life more than a faithful life

People: **We seek your faithfulness and forgiveness**

Leader: Let us offer our silent confession

Words of Assurance:

Leader: For as far as the heavens are above the earth, so great is God's steadfast love toward those who honor God; as far as east is from west, so far does God remove our sins from us. We are forgiven, Amen

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Receiving from God's Table: The Eucharistic Prayer

Celebrant: God is with you

All: And also with you

Celebrant: Let us open our hearts

All: We open them to God

Celebrant: Let us give God thanks and praise

All: It is a good and joyful thing to do

Celebrant: It is indeed right and joyful thing to do and so let us join
with the choirs of angels as we sing the unending hymn:

Sanctus:

¡Santo, santo, santo, mi corazon te adora!

¡Mi corazon te sabe decir: Santo eres Dios!

Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you!

My heart knows how to say to you: Holy are you, Lord!

Communion: Rev. Janice

Let us now share the mystery of our faith:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

After Communion Prayer & Benediction: Rev Janice

Peace: Rev. Janice

Rev: May the peace of God be with you

People: And also with you,