

St. Mary of the Falls Readings & Songs



Reading I: Jer 23:1-6

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who mislead and scatter the flock of my pasture,
says the LORD.
Therefore, thus says the LORD, 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.
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so that they need no longer fear and tremble;
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Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD,
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:
"The LORD our justice."

Responsorial Psalm

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

Reading II: Eph 2:13-18

Brothers and sisters:
In Christ Jesus you who once were far off
have become near by the blood of Christ.
For he is our peace, he 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.
He came and preached peace to you who were far
off
and peace to those who were near,
for through him we both have access in one Spirit to
the Father.

Gospel: Mk 6:30-34

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 he disembarked and saw the vast crowd,
his heart was moved with pity for them,
for they were like sheep without a shepherd;
and he began to teach them many things.

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Opening: All Creatures of Our God And King
(St. Francis of Assisi)

All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voices let us sing:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Bright burning sun with golden beam,
Soft silver moon that gently gleams,

CHORUS: O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Great rushing wind who are so strong,
You clouds above sail along,
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Fair rising morn, with praise rejoice,
Stars nightly shining, find a voice,

CHORUS

Swift flowing water, pure and clear,
Make music for your Lord to hear,
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Fire so intense fiercely bright,
Who gives to us both warmth and light,

CHORUS

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Presentation: Shepherd Me, O God
(Marty Haugen)

REFRAIN: Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants,
beyond my fears, from death into life.

God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want,
I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love,
I walk by the quiet waters of peace. **[Refrain]**

Though I should wander the valley of death,
I fear no evil, for you are at my side,
your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope.
[Refrain]

Surely your kindness and mercy
follow me all the days of my life;
I will dwell in the house of my God forevermore.
[Refrain]

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Communion: Christ, Be Our Light
(Bernadette Farrell)

1. Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

REFRAIN

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.

2. Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice.

3. Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
shared until all are fed.

4. Longing for shelter, many are homeless.
Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others,
walls made of living stone.

5. Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
making your kingdom come.

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Closing: Rain Down
(Jaime Cortez)

REFRAIN

Rain down, rain down,
rain down your love on your people.
Rain down, rain down,
rain down your love, God of life.

1. Faithful and true is the word of our God.
All of God's works are so worthy of trust.
God's mercy falls on the just and the right;
full of God's love is the earth.

2. We who revere and find hope in our God
live in the kindness and joy of God's wing.
God will protect us from darkness and death;
God will not leave us to starve.

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