

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 17, 2023

Entrance Song: **Change Our Hearts** words by Rory Cooney (#493)

**Change our hearts this time, your word says it can be.
Change our minds this time, your life could make us free.
We are the people your call set apart,
Lord, this time change our hearts.**

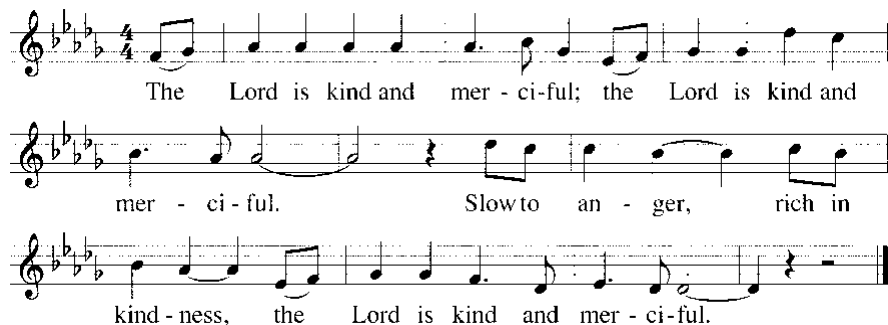
1. Brought by your hand to the edge of our dreams,
One foot in paradise, one in the waste;
Drawn by your promises, still we are lured by the shadows
And the chains we leave behind. But

2. Now as we watch you stretch out your hands,
Off'ring abundances, fullness of joy.
Your milk and honey seem distant, unreal,
When we have bread and water in our hands. But

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Psalm 103 **The Lord Is Kind** by Jean Cotter



The Lord is kind and mer - ci-ful; the Lord is kind and
mer - ci-ful. Slow to an - ger, rich in
kind - ness, the Lord is kind and mer - ci-ful.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
At the words that follow, up to and including the Virgin Mary, all bow.
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from
there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion
of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

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Song: **Hold On to Love** by Jesse Manibusan

1. There is a place for the sadness. **Hold on to Love.**
There is a season of gladness. **Hold on to Love.**
When pain and confusion seem endless, **hold on to Love.**
We cultivate healing through kindness. **Hold on to Love.**

**Hold on to Love, where hope is found.
Hold on to Love, where joy abounds.
Hold on to Love, where grace and mercy's overflowing.
Hold on to Love.**

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When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we pro-claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

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Communion: **For Living, For Dying** by Donna Peña (Gather #927)

Cantor sings verses, assembly repeats lines with the choir in verses 2-4

1. For living, for dying, Lord, for rising from the dead,
we praise you with every breath we take.
We come to you, remember you in the breaking of this bread,
we drink the cup, the promise that you made.

**Nourish us well. Teach us to be
all that you long for us to be.**

Always to live, never to thirst, never to hunger.

2. Communion, community, is what we claim this day.
Your body, your Spirit is our grace.
With every heart, with every hand, with every word we say,
of rich and poor, we welcome, we embrace.
3. For loving us, forgiving us, for sharing in our tears,
for laughter, the tenderness you bring.
You call to us, we follow. You guard us from our fears.
Beside you our hearts will always sing.
4. So here we are, a part of you, a part of everyone;
a river that flows into the sea.
From east to west, from near and far, from every time and place,
around the world we all join in your feast.

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Closing: **Let There Be Peace on Earth** (Gather #829)



Let there be peace on earth, and let it be - gin with me.
Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be. With
God as our Fa-ther, broth - ers
fam - 'ly all are we.
Let me walk with my broth-er in per-fect har-mo - ny.
us each oth - er
Let peace be - gin with me; let this be the mo-ment now.
With ev - 'ry step I take, let this be my sol-emn vow; To
take each mo-ment, and live each mo-ment in peace e - ter - nal - ly!
Let there be peace on earth, and let it be - gin with me.

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