

**LITURGY FOR SUNDAY AUGUST 27<sup>th</sup> 2023**  
**21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Entrance Hymn:**

**GATHER US IN**  
**Marty Haugen**

1. Here in this place new light is streaming,  
Now has the darkness vanished away,  
See in this space our fears and our dreamings,  
Brought here to you in the light of this day.  
Gather us in the lost and forsaken,  
Gather us in the blind and the lame,  
Call to us now, and we shall awaken,  
We shall arise at the sound of our name.
2. We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry,  
We are the old who yearn for your face,  
We have been sung throughout all of hist'ry,  
Called to be light to the whole human race.  
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty,  
Gather us in, the proud and the strong,  
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly,  
Give us the courage to enter the song.
3. Here we will take the wine and the water,  
Here we will take the bread of new birth,  
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters,  
Call us anew to be salt for the earth.  
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,  
Give us to eat the bread that is you,  
Nourish us well, and teach us to fashion  
Lives that are holy and hearts that are true.
4. Not in the dark of buildings confining,  
Not in some heaven, light years away,  
But here in this place the new light is shining,  
Now is the Kingdom, now is the day.  
Gather us in and hold us forever,  
Gather us in and make us your own;  
Gather us in all peoples together,  
Fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

**GLORIA: GLORIA, John Dawson**

***Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.***

We praise you, we bless you, we adore,  
We glorify you,  
We give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

***Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.***

Lord Jesus Christ,  
Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

***Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.***

For you alone are the Holy One,  
You alone are the Lord,  
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen. Amen.

***Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.***

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**Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 138): *[To be read.]***

**Refrain:**      *Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.  
Do not forsake the work of your hands.*

**Gospel Acclamation:**      Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

**Offertory:**

**EYE HAS NOT SEEN  
Marty Haugen**

***Refrain:***      **Eye has not seen, ear has not heard  
What God has ready for those who love him;  
Spirit of love, come, give us the mind of Jesus,  
Teach us the wisdom of God.**

1. When pain and sorrow weigh us down, be near to us, O Lord,  
Forgive the weakness of our faith, and bear us up within your peaceful word.
2. Our lives are but a single breath, we flower and we fade,  
Yet all our days are in your hands, so we return in love what love has made.
3. To those who see with eyes of faith, the Lord is ever near,  
Reflected in the faces of all the poor and lowly of the world.
4. We sing a myst'ry from the past in halls where saints have trod,  
Yet ever new the music rings to Jesus, Living Song of God.

**Holy, Holy, Holy:**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

**Eucharistic Acclamation:**      When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,  
We proclaim your death, O Lord, until you come again.

**Great Amen:**                      Amen, Amen, Amen.

**Lamb of God:**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.  
Have mercy on us. *[TWICE]*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
O grant us, grant us peace.

**Communion**

**BREAD OF LIFE, HOPE OF THE WORLD**  
**Bernadette Farrell**

**Refrain:**    *Bread of life, hope of the world,  
Jesus Christ, our brother:  
feed us now, give us life,  
lead us to one another.*

As we proclaim your death,  
as we recall your life,  
we remember your promise  
to return again.

The bread we break and share  
was scattered once as grain:  
just as now it is gathered,  
make your people one.

We eat this living bread,  
we drink this saving cup:  
sign of hope in our broken world,  
source of lasting love.

Hold us in unity,  
in love for all to see;  
that the world may believe in you,  
God of all who live.

You are the bread of peace,  
you are the wine of joy,  
broken now for your people,  
poured in endless love.

**Closing Song:**

**GLORY AND PRAISE TO OUR GOD**

**Dan Schutte**

**Glory and praise to our God,  
who alone gives light to our days.  
Many are the blessings you bear  
to those who trust in your ways.**

1. We, the daughters and sons of God  
who built the valleys and plains,  
praise the wonders our God has done  
in ev'ry heart that sings.
2. In your wisdom you strengthen us,  
like gold that's tested in fire.  
Though the power of sin prevails,  
our God is there to save.
3. Ev'ry moment of ev'ry day  
our God is waiting to save,  
always ready to seek the lost,  
to answer those who pray.
4. God has watered our barren land  
and sent us merciful rain.  
Now the rivers of life run full  
for anyone to drink.

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