

## TODAY'S MUSIC:

Prelude:

Gathering Song:	#618	Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer
Hymn of the Day:	#542	O Living Bread from Heaven
Sending Song:	#588	There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

Postlude:

## FIRST READING:

**Isaiah 55:1-9**

<sup>1</sup>Ho, everyone who thirsts,  
come to the waters; and you  
that have no money, come, buy  
and eat! Come, buy wine and  
milk without money and  
without price.

<sup>2</sup>Why do you spend your money  
for that which is not bread,  
and your labor for that which  
does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat  
what is good, and delight  
yourselves in rich food.

<sup>3</sup>Incline your ear, and come to me;  
listen, so that you may live.  
I will make with you an  
everlasting covenant, my  
steadfast, sure love for David.

<sup>4</sup>See, I made him a witness to the  
peoples, a leader and  
commander for the peoples.

<sup>5</sup>See, you shall call nations that  
you do not know, and nations  
that do not know you shall run  
to you, because of the LORD  
your God, the Holy One of  
Israel, for he has glorified you.

<sup>6</sup>Seek the LORD while he may be  
found, call upon him while he  
is near;

<sup>7</sup>Let the wicked forsake their way,  
and the unrighteous their  
thoughts; let them return to the  
LORD, that he may have mercy  
on them, and to our God, for he  
will abundantly pardon.

<sup>8</sup>For my thoughts are not your  
thoughts, nor are your ways my  
ways, says the LORD.

<sup>9</sup>For as the heavens are higher than  
the earth, so are my ways  
higher than your ways

and my thoughts than your thoughts.

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

**PSALM:**

**Psalm 63:1-8**

<sup>1</sup>O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you;  
my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and  
weary and where there is no water.

<sup>2</sup>**Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place,  
that I might behold your power and your glory.**

<sup>3</sup>For your steadfast love is better than life itself;  
my lips shall give you praise.

<sup>4</sup>**So will I bless you as long as I live  
and lift up my hands in your name.**

<sup>5</sup>My spirit is content, as with the richest of foods,  
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,

<sup>6</sup>**when I remember you upon my bed,  
and meditate on you in the night watches.**

<sup>7</sup>For you have been my helper,  
and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.

<sup>8</sup>**My whole being clings to you;  
your right hand holds me fast.**

**SECOND READING:**

**1 Corinthians 10:1-13**

<sup>1</sup>I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, <sup>2</sup>and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, <sup>3</sup>and all ate the same spiritual food, <sup>4</sup>and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that

followed them, and the rock was Christ. <sup>5</sup>Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

<sup>6</sup>Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. <sup>7</sup>Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." <sup>8</sup>We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. <sup>9</sup>We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. <sup>10</sup>And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. <sup>11</sup>These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. <sup>12</sup>So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. <sup>13</sup>No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,



slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

## GOSPEL

Luke 13:1-9

*The holy gospel according to St. Luke the 13<sup>th</sup> Chapter*

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices.<sup>2</sup>[Jesus] asked them, “Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans?”<sup>3</sup>No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. <sup>4</sup>Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? <sup>5</sup>No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.”

<sup>6</sup>Then he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. <sup>7</sup>So he said to the gardener, ‘See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?’ <sup>8</sup>He replied, ‘Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. <sup>9</sup>If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.’”

The gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, O Christ.**