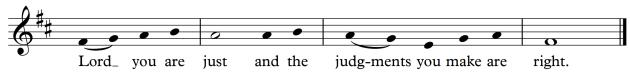


# Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Sept. 6, 2020

Introit: Psalm 119: 137



They are happy whose life is blameless, who follow God's law! They are happy who do his will, seeking him with all their hearts, Who never do anything evil, but walk in his ways.

My eyes yearn for your saving help and the promise of your justice.

Treat your servant with love and teach me your statutes.

I am your servant, give me knowledge, then I shall know your will.

Text: Psalm 119: 137 verses 1-3; 123-125. Music: chant, tone IV, Richard Rice.

# Reading 1- Ezekiel 33:7-9

Thus says the LORD: You, son of man, I have appointed watchman for the house of Israel; when you hear me say anything, you shall warn them for me. If I tell the wicked, "O wicked one, you shall surely die," and you do not speak out to dissuade the wicked from his way, the wicked shall die for his guilt, but I will hold you responsible for his death. But if you warn the wicked, trying to turn him from his way, and he refuses to turn from his way, he shall die for his guilt, but you shall save yourself.

#### Responsorial: Psalm 95



R. If to-day you hear his voice, hard-en not your hearts.

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# Reading 2 – Romans 13:8-10

Brothers and sisters: Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; you shall not kill; you shall not steal; you shall not covet, " and whatever other commandment there may be, are summed up in this saying, namely, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no evil to the neighbor; hence, love is the fulfillment of the law.

#### Gospel - Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus said to his disciples: "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others along

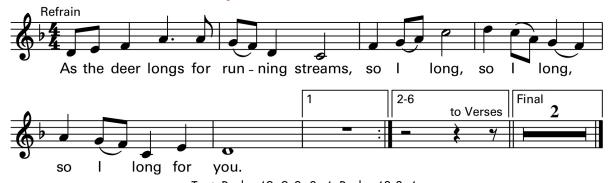
with you, so that 'every fact may be established on the testimony of two or three witnesses.' If he refuses to listen to them, tell the church. If he refuses to listen even to the church, then treat him as you would a Gentile or a tax collector. Amen, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. Again, amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

### Offertory: Psalm 103

Bless thou the Lord, O bless thou the Lord, my soul, And let all that is in me bless His holy name. Blessed art Thou, O most holy Lord.

I prayed to my God, I, Daniel, and I said: "Hearken, O Lord, unto the prayers of your servant, And cause your face to shine upon your sanctuary; look with forgiveness upon this nation over whom your name has been invoked, O God. Text: Psalm 103, verse Daniel 9: 4, (2,) 17, 19. Music: Mikail M. Ippolitov-Ivanov

# Communion: Psalm 42: As the deer longs



Text: Psalm 42: 2-3, 8, 4; Psalm 43:3-4.

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## Closing: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling,

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n, to earth come down!
Fix in us your humble dwelling;
All your faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, source of all compassion,
Love unbounded, love all pure;
Visit us with your salvation,
Let your love in us endure.

Come, almighty to deliver; Let us all your life receive; Suddenly return and never, Nevermore your temples leave. Lord, we would be always blessing, Serve you as your hosts above, Pray, and praise you without ceasing, Glory in your precious love.

Finish then your new creation,
Pure and spotless, gracious Lord;
Let us see your great salvation
Perfectly in you restored.
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heav'n we take our place,
Till we sing before the almighty,
Lost in wonder, love and praise!

Text: 87 87 D; Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt. Music: Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887.

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