



***THE LORD
IS MY
LIGHT***

33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME

***Mt Carmel
Church
WORSHIP
AID***

NOV 14TH 4:30 pm

What do we consider as treasures in life today? Money, fame, or the influence we have over others?

Today's readings define treasure in a different way. The parable of today's Gospel uses material goods to reveal a deeper message about the kingdom of heaven. The millions that the man entrusts to his three servants when he goes away are multiplied by the first two servants in different ways, but the third servant hides his part out of fear of losing it. Jesus reminds us that we have been endowed with many gifts that we must place at the service of others for the construction of his kingdom of peace and justice.

What good is it to hide those gifts and lead out lives with fear of an unknown punishment? Our journey of faith includes a dimension of risk that requires us to use our talents as living members of the body of Christ; these are our true treasures. How can the members of our community learn to discern the gifts that they have received from the Lord to place them at the service of God and the Church? The answer to this question may motivate community leaders to find those discernment practices that may serve as a starting point in the spiritual growth of the faithful.

OPENING HYMN

TABLE OF PLENTY

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First Reading

Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 A worthy wife has value far beyond pearls. She deserves payment for her labor and praise for her work: "Let her works praise her at the city gates."

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 5:1-6 According to Paul, Christians are children of light. They belong not to dark nor to night but, rather, today and light. They should be awake, sober, and alert.

Gospel Acclamation

John 15:4a, 5b

Gospel

Matthew 25:14-30 Jesus told the parable about a man who went on a journey and gave his servants money. On his return, he said to the one who made the greatest profit, "Well done,...I will give you great responsibilities."
— OR — *Matthew 25:14-15, 19-21 Jesus told the parable about a man who went on a journey and gave his servants money. On his return, he said to the one who made the greatest profit, "Well done, I will give you great responsibilities."*

OFFERTORY HYMN

UNLESS A GRAIN OF WHEAT

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HOLY

WE PROCLAIM YOUR DEATH

AMEN

LORDS PRAYER

LAMB OF GOD

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

COMMUNION HYMN

TASTE AND SEE

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CLOSING HYMN

AMAZING GRACE

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OPENING HYMN

TABLE OF PLENTY

[Chorus]

Come to the feast of heaven and earth
Come to the table of plenty
God will provide for all that we need
Here at the table of plenty

[Verse 1]

O come and sit at my table
Where saints and sinners are friends
I wait to welcome the lost and lonely
To share the cup of my love

[Chorus]

Come to the feast of heaven and earth
Come to the table of plenty
God will provide for all that we need
Here at the table of plenty

OFFERTORY HYMN

UNLESS A GRAIN OF WHEAT

Refrain:

Unless a grain of wheat shall fall upon the
ground and die,
it remains but a single grain with no life.

1 If we have died with him then we shall live
with him;
if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.
[Refrain]

2 If anyone serves me then they must follow
me;
wherever I am my servants will be. [Refrain]

3 Make your home in me as I make mine in you;
those who remain in me bear much fruit.
[Refrain]

SACRAMENTAL PRAYER

MY JESUS,
I BELIEVE THAT YOU
ARE PRESENT IN THE MOST HOLY
SACRAMENT.

I LOVE YOU ABOVE ALL THINGS,
AND I DESIRE TO RECEIVE YOU INTO MY
SOUL.

SINCE I CANNOT AT THIS MOMENT
RECEIVE YOU SACRAMENTALLY,
COME AT LEAST SPIRITUALLY INTO MY
HEART.

I EMBRACE YOU AS IF YOU WERE ALREADY
THERE

AND UNITE MYSELF WHOLLY TO YOU.
NEVER PERMIT ME TO BE SEPARATED
FROM YOU.

AMEN

COMMUNION HYMN

TASTE AND SEE

Refrain

Taste and see, O taste and see,
taste and see the goodness of God.

Verse 1

Glory, glory to God most high,
glory, blessing and praise.
With one voice, O people,
rejoice in our God,
who hears the cry
of all in need.

Refrain

Verse 2

Who has fashioned the earth and sky,
who created the deep,
who exalts the lowly
and sets captives free,
who opens the door
to all those who seek.

Refrain

Verse 3

Oh, the love of God!
Become flesh of our flesh,
so that we might live in glory.

Refrain

CLOSING HYMN

AMAZING GRACE

Amazing grace
How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost
But now I'm found
Was blind, but now I see

'Twas grace that taught
My heart to fear
And grace my Fears relieved
How precious did
That grace appear
The hour I first believed

Through many dangers
Toils and snares
We have already come
'Twas grace hath brought
Us safe thus far
And grace will lead us home