COMMUNION HYMNS:

'Bread is Blessed and Broken' - (72)

'Bread of Life, Hope of the World'

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

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

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

Thuma Mina – (677)

POST COMMUNION

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

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

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

Bernadette Farrell



FINAL HYMN: 'God's Spirit is in My Heart' – (218)

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GATHERING HYMN: 'Thou, Whose Almighty Word' – (673)

COLLECT:

Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**



FIRST READING

Ezekiel 2: I-5

He said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God.' Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

For the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 12: 2-10

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows— was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given to me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.' So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

For the word of the Lord Thanks be to God

GOSPEL HYMN- 'Lord, You Call Us on a Journey' - (424)

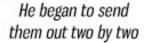
We sing verse 6 after the Gospel Reading

GOSPEL

Mark 6: 1-13

He left that place and came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay





there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE GIFTS: 'Lord of creation, to you be all praise!'

Lord of creation, to you be all praise! Most mighty your working, most wondrous your ways! Your glory and might are beyond us to tell, and yet in the heart of the humble you dwell.

Lord of all power, I give you my will, in joyful obedience your tasks to fulfil. Your bondage is freedom, your service is song; and, held in your keeping, my weakness is strong.

Lord of all wisdom, I give you my mind; rich truth that surpasses our knowledge to find, what eye has not seen and what ear has not heard is taught by your Spirit and shines from your word.

Lord of all bounty, I give you my heart; I praise and adore you for all you impart, your love to inspire me, your counsel to guide, your presence to shield me, whatever betide.

Lord of all being, I give you my all; if ever I leave you, I stumble and fall; but lead in your service your word to obey, I'll walk in your freedom to the end of the way.

Jack Copley Winslow 1882-1974 alt.