

Isaiah 49:12-17

¹² Surely these shall come from afar; Look! Those from the north and the west, and these from the land of Sinim. ¹³ Sing, O heavens! Be joyful, O earth! And break out in singing, O mountains! For the LORD has comforted His people, and will have mercy on His afflicted. ¹⁴ But Zion said, "The LORD has forsaken me, and my Lord has forgotten me." ¹⁵ Can a woman forget her nursing child, and not have compassion on the son of her womb? Surely they may forget, yet I will not forget you. ¹⁶ See, I have inscribed you on the palms of My hands; Your walls are continually before Me. ¹⁷ Your sons shall make haste; Your destroyers and those who laid you waste shall go away from you.

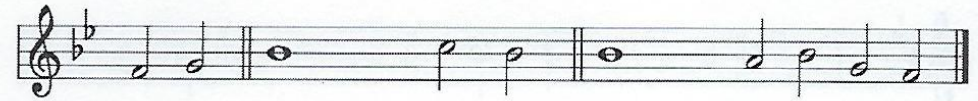
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

¹³ But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope. ¹⁴ For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus. ¹⁵ For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. ¹⁶ For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷ Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. ¹⁸ Therefore comfort one another with these words.

St. Matthew 24:15-28

¹⁵ "Therefore when you see the 'abomination of desolation,' spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place" (whoever reads, let him understand), ¹⁶ "then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. ¹⁷ Let him who is on the housetop not go down to take anything out of his house. ¹⁸ And let him who is in the field not go back to get his clothes. ¹⁹ But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days! ²⁰ And pray that your flight may not be in winter or on the Sabbath. ²¹ For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be. ²² And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect's sake those days will be shortened. ²³ Then if anyone says to you, 'Look, here is the Christ!' or 'There!' do not believe it. ²⁴ For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect. ²⁵ See, I have told you beforehand. ²⁶ Therefore if they say to you, 'Look, He is in the desert!' do not go out; or 'Look, He is in the inner rooms!' do not believe it. ²⁷ For as the lightning comes from the east and flashes to the west, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. ²⁸ For wherever the carcass is, there the eagles will be gathered together."

THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. (GREEN) PSALM 116/118, vv. 20-31



Introit.

Ant. HAVE MER- || cy upon me, O LORD, for I am in | trou- | ble:
deliver me from the hand of mine enemies, and from them that | per- |
se- | cute | me.
|| Let me not be ashamed, O | LORD | - :
for I have call- | ed | up- | on | Thee.
Psalm. || In Thee, O LORD, do I put my | trust | - :
let me never | be | a- | sham- | ed.
GLO-RY || be to the Father and to the | Son | - :
and to | the | Ho- | ly. | Ghost.
AS IT || was in the beginning, is now, and ever | shall | be:
world with- | out | end. | A- | men. (*Ant. Repeated.*)

Collect.

Almighty God, we beseech Thee, show Thy mercy unto Thy humble servants, that we who put no trust in our own merits may not be dealt with after the severity of Thy judgment, but according to Thy mercy; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. *Amen.*

Epistle. 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Gospel. Matthew 24:15-28

Additional reading: Isaiah 49:12-17

Gradual.

|| I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my | for- | tress:
my God, in | Him | will | I | trust.
|| His | truth | - :
shall be thy | shield | and | buck- | ler.
|| Hallelujah. Hallelujah. He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most | High
| - :
shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. | Hal- | le- | lu- | jah.

25th Sunday after Trinity

63. When in the Hour of Utmost Need

Paul Eber, 1560

"Genevan Psalter," 1547

Tr., Catherine Winkworth, 1858, alt.

1. When in the hour of ut - most need
2. Then this our com - fort is a - lone,
3. To Thee may raise our hearts and eyes,

We know not where to look for aid;
That we may meet be - fore Thy throne
Re - pent - ing sore with bit - ter sighs,

When days and nights of anx - ious thought
And cry, O faith - ful God, to Thee
And seek Thy par - don for our sin

Nor help nor coun - sel yet have brought.
For res - cue from our mis - er - y;
And res - pite from our griefs with - in. A - men.

4. For Thou hast promised graciously
To hear all those who cry to Thee
Through Him whose name alone is great,
Our Savior and our Advocate.

5. And thus we come, O God, today
And all our woes before Thee lay;
For sorely tried, cast down, we stand,
Perplexed by fears on ev'ry hand.

6. Ah! hide not for our sins Thy face,
Absolve us through Thy boundless grace,
Be with us in our anguish still,
Free us at last from ev'ry ill,

7. That so with all our hearts we may
To Thee our glad thanksgiving pay,
Then walk obedient to Thy Word
And now and ever praise Thee, Lord.

Communion Psalm: *Ant.* You shall show me the path of life: in your presence, O Lord is the fullness of joy. (Psalm 16:11). **Psalm 16:1-3, 6-11.**