

**Year C; Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Liturgical Elements**  
**Developed for November 9, 2025**  
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**Lectionary Texts**

- Haggai 1:15b - 2:9
- Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21
- Psalm 98:1-9
- 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17
- Luke 20:27-38

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (*from Psalm 145*)

One: We will enthusiastically praise you, our God and King, and bless your name forever and ever.

**All: Every day we will bless you, and praise your name forever and ever.**

One: Greater is the Lord and greatly to be praised;

**All: his greatness is unsearchable.**

One: The Lord is just in all his ways, and kind in all his doings.

**All: The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.**

One: He fulfills the desire of all who fear him; he also hears their cry, and saves them.

**All: The Lord watches over all who love him, but the wicked he will destroy.**

One: Our mouths will speak the praise of the Lord,

**All: and all flesh will bless his holy name forever and ever. Let us worship God!**

**(ALTERNATE) CALL TO WORSHIP** (*from Psalm 98*)

One: O sing to the LORD a new song,

**All: for he has done marvelous things.**

One: He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

**All: All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.**

One: Make a joyful noise to the LORD all the earth;

**All: break forth into joyous song and sing praises.**

One: Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody.

**All: With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD.**

One: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it.

**All: Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the LORD,**

One: for he is coming to judge the earth.

**All: He will judge the world with righteousness, and the people with equity. Let us worship God!**

**CALL TO CONFESSION** *(from 2 Thessalonians 2)*

The Apostle Paul warns his readers not to be quickly shaken or alarmed by world events. We can be anxious — not trusting that our Lord's kingdom is already here and the assurance he provides. Let us confess when we have let anxiety rule us and placed other so-called gods before the one true God.

**CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION** *(from 2 Thessalonians 2)*

**Almighty and loving God, you came in human form as our Lord Jesus the Messiah that we might know and trust in your ways. He warned us not to worry about anything, but we still worry about our safety, our needs, and our desires. We see troubling world events and may lose trust that his kingdom will come into its fullness. We can reach for other so-called gods to quiet our anxieties and offer us at most a temporary calm. Forgive our lack of trust and lack of faith. Give us faith that that will have us lean on you, look for signs of your kingdom, and work to bring your kingdom into its fullness even in the most troubled times. In the name of our Lord and King, Jesus the Messiah. Amen.**

**Assurance of Pardon** *(from 2 Thessalonians 2)*

Through his Holy Spirit, God works to sanctify — to perfect — those he has chosen. He does this also as we believe in his truth. He calls us into the work of proclamation so that we may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Stand firm and hold fast to God's truth, and trust in the forgiveness won by Jesus. **Amen.**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION** *(from 2 Thessalonians 2)*

**Gracious God, as with our ancestors in the faith, you likewise offer your love to us and, through your grace, give us eternal comfort and good hope. Further through your grace, you have offered us forgiveness and eternal life through our Lord Jesus. With our gratitude, we offer these gifts that others might enjoy your love, your comfort, and your hope. Grant our leaders discernment to invest them wisely for your kingdom. Amen.**

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