# THE GREEN SHEET

# Third Sunday after the Epiphany Introit

**January 21, 2024** 

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Blessèd be the name of the Lord

from this time forth and forevermore!

The Lord is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens!

He raises the poor from the dust

and lifts the needy from the ash heap,

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Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning,

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Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**Gradual** Psalm 117:1-2a; 96:8

Praise the Lord, all nations! Extol him, all peoples!

For great is his steadfast love toward us,

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Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts!

Learn by Heart: Mark 1:15

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Readings for Next Sunday: Deuteronomy 18:15-20; Psalm 11; 1 Corinthians 8:1-13; Mark 1:21-28

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