Reign of Christ
Year A

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 and Psalm 100 • Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 and Psalm 95:1-7a • Ephesians 1:15-23 • Matthew 25:31-46
I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured ...

Ezekiel 34:16a
St. Francis -- Whispering Hope Ranch, Payson, Arizona
Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

Psalm 100:1
Making Joyful Noise  --  Susan Murtaugh
For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

Psalm 95:7a
Farmer and His Calf

Alkmaar, Netherlands
I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ ... may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him ... 

Ephesians 1:17a
'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food ...'

Matthew 25:37a
Seven Works of Mercy (with Christ as one of the recipients)

Master of Alkmaar
Rijksmuseum
Amsterdam
'... or thirsty and gave you something to drink?'

Matthew 25:37b
'And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you?'

Matthew 25:38a
"... or naked and gave you clothing?"

Matthew 25:38b
Works of Mercy -- P. Brueghel
'And when was it that we saw you sick ... and visited you?'

Matthew 25:39ac
CLARA BARTON LIVED A LIFETIME OF TIRELESS SERVICE TO OTHERS. DURING THE AMERICAN CIVIL WAR, SHE BECAME KNOWN AS THE "ANGEL OF THE BATTLEFIELD", DELIVERING SUPPLIES AND CARING FOR THE SICK AND WOUNDED. AFTER THE WAR, BARTON ORGANIZED A CAMPAIGN TO LOCATE MISSING SOLDIERS. HER ENDURING LEGACY WAS THE FOUNING, IN 1881, OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS, AN ORGANIZATION WHOSE NAME BECAME SYNONYMOUS WITH DISASTER PREPAREDNESS, RESPONSE AND RELIEF.

"You must never so much think as whether you like it or not, whether it is bearable or not; you must never think of anything except the need, and how to meet it."

The Extra Mile – Clara Barton, Founder of the Red Cross -- Washington, DC
'And when was it that we saw you ... in prison and visited you?'

Matthew 25:39ac
Seven Works of Mercy

Mural in Diakonie Conference Center
Neuendettelsau, Germany
'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these ..., you did it to me.'

Matthew 25:40
Jesus Christ

Alexi von Jawlensky
Los Angeles County Museum of Art
Los Angeles, CA
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