Thanksgiving Day
Year B

Joel 2:21-27 and Psalm 126 • 1 Timothy 2:1-7
Matthew 6:25-33
Do not fear, you animals of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness are green;

Joel 2:22a
Meadowland  --  Henri Rousseau, Bridgestone Museum of Art, Tokyo, Japan
the tree bears its fruit, the fig tree and vine give their full yield.

Joel 2:22b
Still Life with Figs and Bread

Luis Melendez
National Gallery of Art
Washington, DC
You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the LORD your God, who has dealt wondrously with you.

Joel 2:26
Potluck -- David Fichter, Cambridge, MA
Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.

Psalm 126:6
Wheat -- John Linnell, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne, Australia
First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone,

1 Timothy 2:1
for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity.

1 Timothy 2:2
View of the United States Capitol -- watercolor, 1824, Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY
"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear.

Matthew 6:25a
Don’t Worry -- Martin Creed, permanent installation, St. Peter's Cathedral, Cologne, Germany
Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing?

Matthew 6:25b
The Millinery Shop

Edgar Degas
Art Institute of Chicago
Chicago, IL
Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them.

Matthew 6:26
St. Francis and the Birds

Westminster Abbey
London, England
Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these.

Matthew 6:28b, 29a
Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?'

Matthew 6:31
Wrinkled by Worries

Irondale Evangelical Free Church
Irondale, AL
But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

Matthew 6:33
All Are Welcome in the Kingdom of God -- Sand sculpture, Ocean City, MD
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