Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

Year A

Exodus 33:12-23 and Psalm 99 • Isaiah 45:1-7 and Psalm 96:1-9, (10-13) • 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 • Matthew 22:15-22

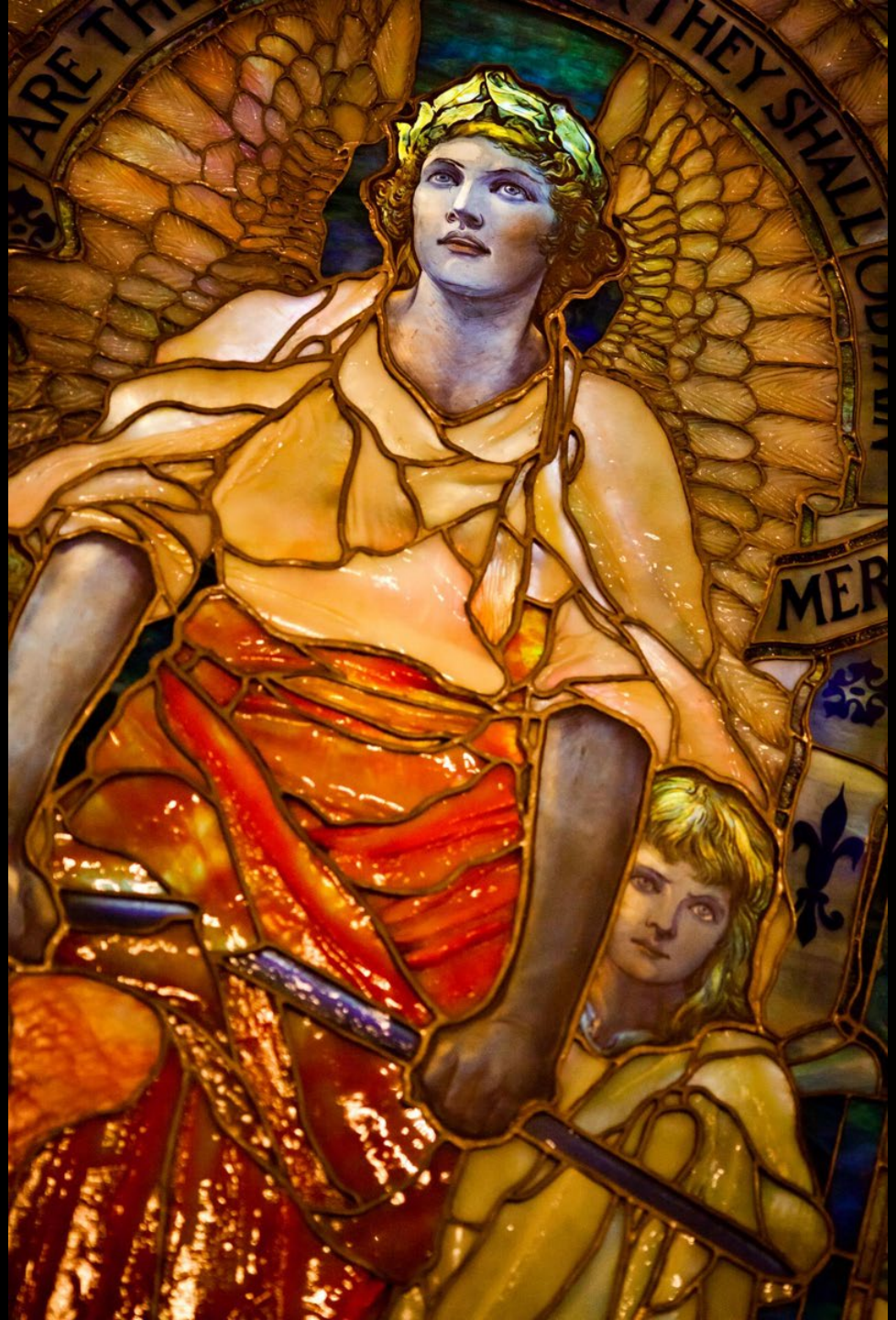
"My presence will go with you,
and I will give you rest."

Exodus 33:14b

Church of the Holy Trinity, Caacupe, Paraguay

…lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness…

Psalm 99:4

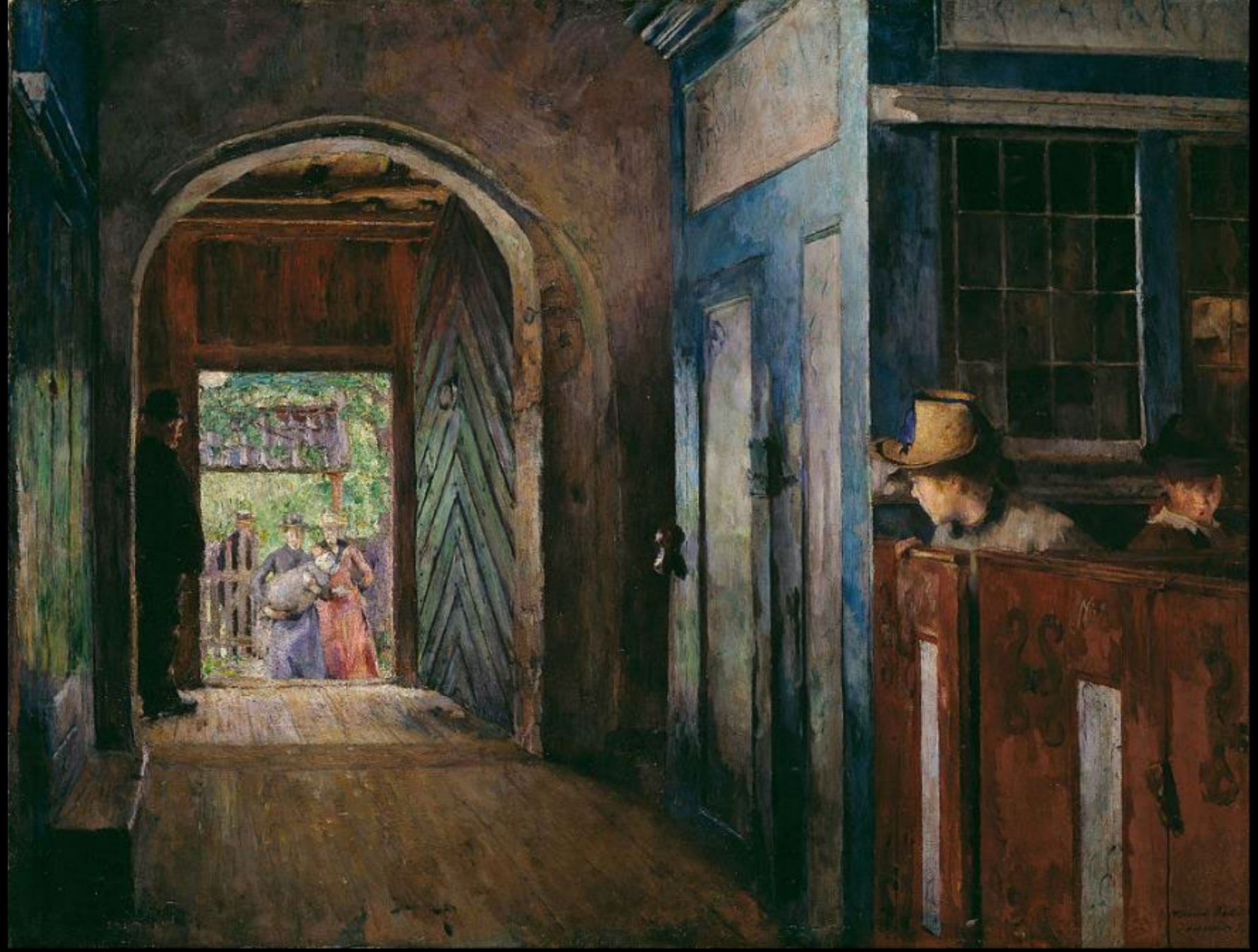


Blessed Are the Merciful

Louis Comfort Tiffany
Arlington Street Church
Boston, MA

...I call you by your name; I give you a title, though you do not know me.

Isaiah 45:4b



Christening in Tanum Church -- Harriet Backer, National Gallery of Norway, Oslo

…let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar and all that fills it; …all the trees of the forest sing for joy…

Psalm 96:11b, 12b

Winter in Southern Louisiana

Ellsworth Woodward
1911

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers…

1 Thessalonians 1:2

In Prayer

Cathedral of
Our Lady of
Victories
Dakar, Senegal

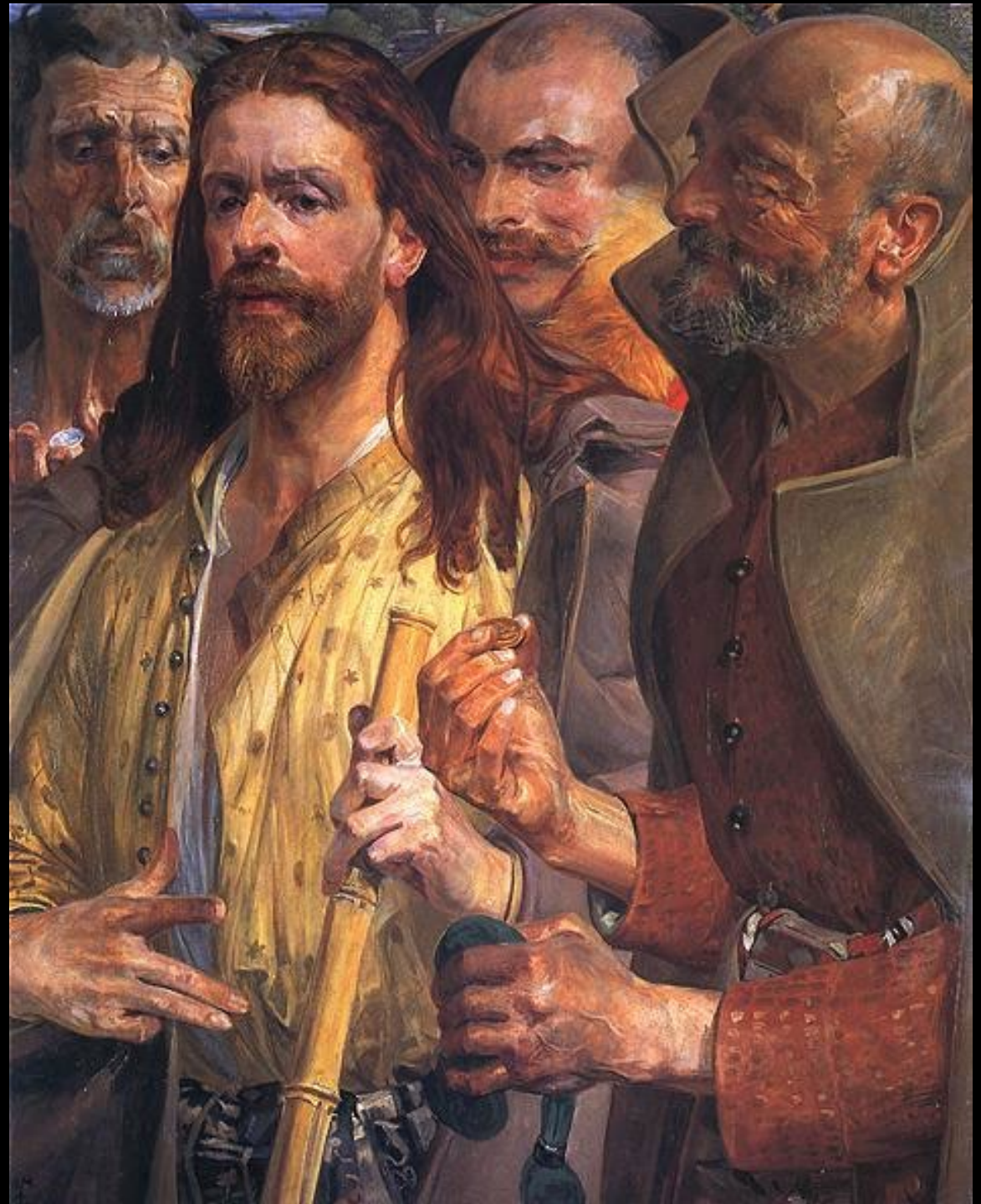
For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, …you received the word with joy from the Holy Spirit…

1 Thessalonians 1:4a, 6b

Singers and Choir -- Pentecostal Church of the Living Stone, Spijkenisse, Netherlands

"Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not?"

Matthew 22:17



The Tribute Money

Jacek Malczewski
National Museum
Warsaw, Poland

But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites?"

Matthew 22:18

The Tribute Money -- Bernardo Strozzi, Museum of Fine Arts, Budapest, Hungary

"Show me the coin used for the tax."
And they brought him a denarius.

Matthew 22:19

The Tribute Money -- Jacob Backer, National Museum, Stockholm, Sweden

Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, “Caesar’s."

Matthew 22:20-21a

JESUS IS LORD! -- From a United Methodist Church in Congo (DRC)

"Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s and to God the things that are God's."

Matthew 22:21b

Render unto God

Rambusch Company
First Presbyterian Church,
Boise, Idaho

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