

Second Sunday after Pentecost

Year A

Genesis 12:1-9 and Psalm 33:1-12 • Hosea 5:15-6:6 and Psalm 50:7-15
Romans 4:13-25 • Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

I will make of you a great nation, and
I will bless you, and make your name
great, so that you will be a blessing.

Genesis 12:2



The Calling of Abraham

Abbey of At. Savin
Vienne, France

He loves righteousness and justice;
the earth is full of the steadfast love
of the Lord.

Psalm 33:5

Haz Justicia

"Do Justice" -- T-Shirt slogan from Youth Mission trip to Honduras

Let us know, let us press on to know
the Lord ... he will come to us like the
showers, like the spring rains that
water the earth.

Hosea 6:3



April Showers -- Martin Johnson Heade, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA

"For every wild animal of the forest is mine ... I know all the birds of the air, and all that moves in the field ... "

Psalm 50:10a-11a



Animals Square from The Bible Quilt -- Harriet Powers, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston , MA

He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), and the barrenness of Sarah's womb.

Romans 4:19



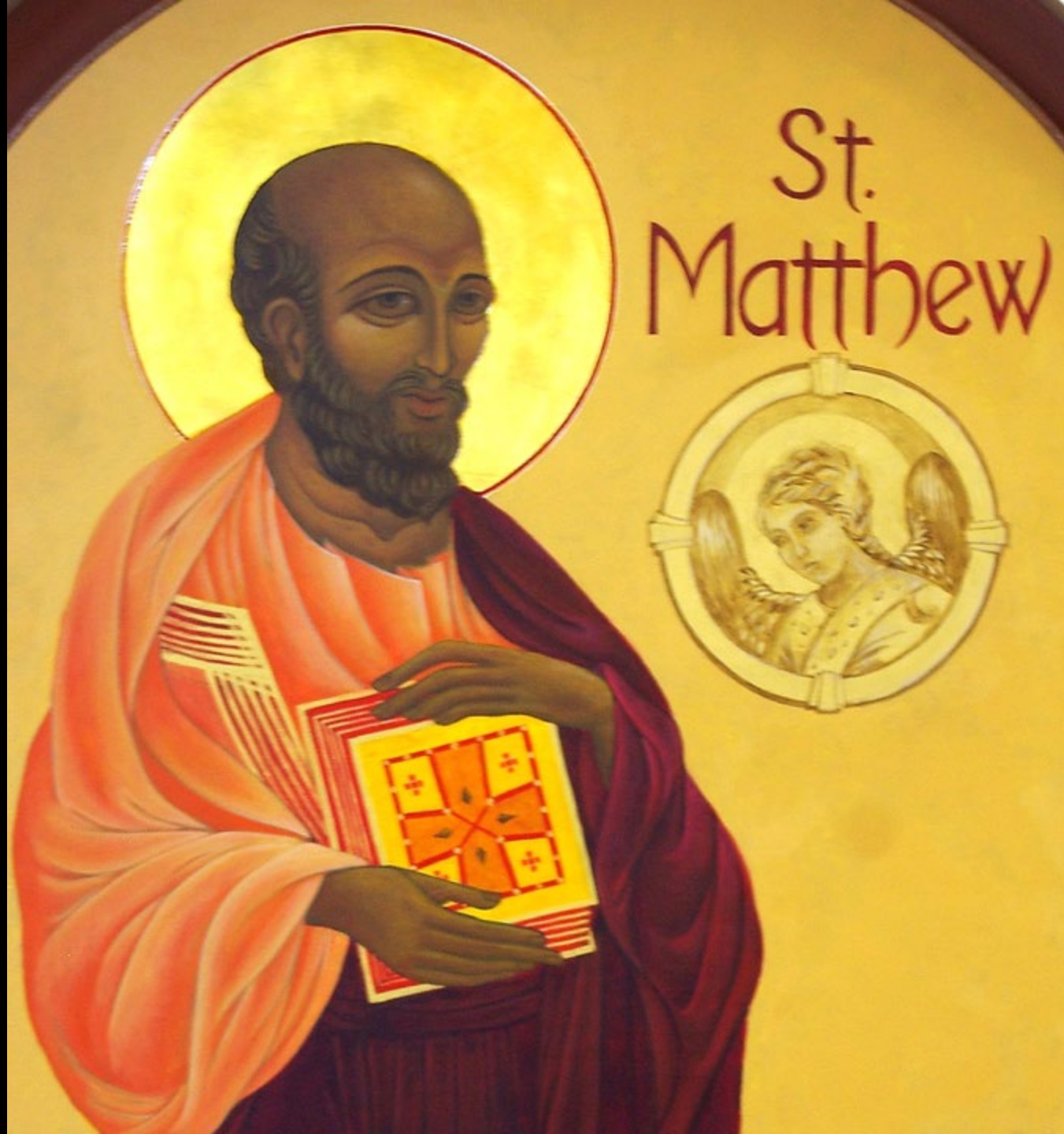
Sarah and Abraham Offer Hospitality to God's Messengers -- San Vitale, Ravenna, Italy

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax-collection station; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

Matthew 9:9

The Apostle Matthew

Christ the King
Ann Arbor, MI

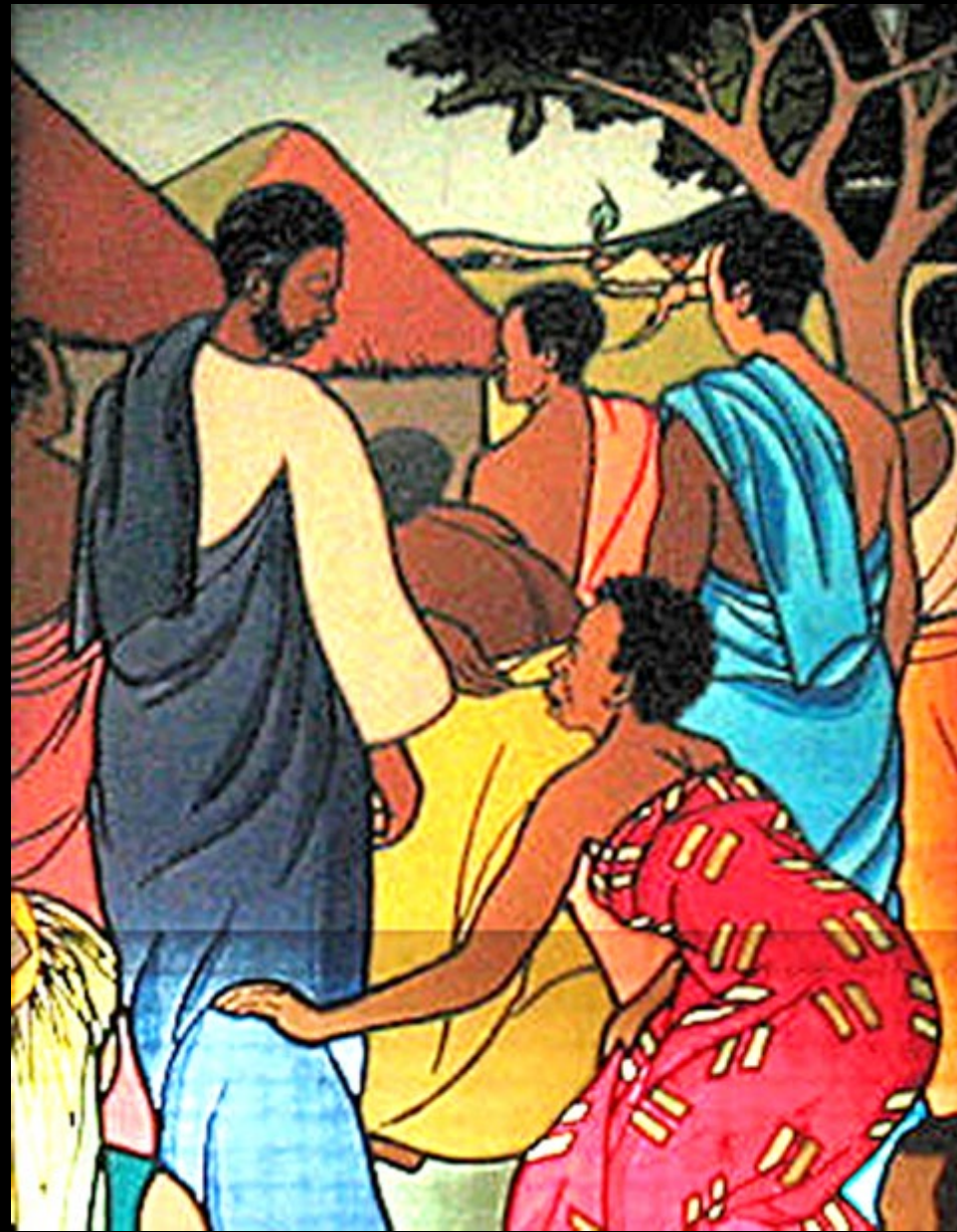


Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak,

Matthew 9:20

for she said to herself, "If I only touch
his cloak, I will be made well."

Matthew 9:21



She Touches the Cloak of Jesus -- Stained glass window, Mulungwishi Methodist Church, DR Congo

Jesus turned, and seeing her he said,
"Take heart, daughter; your faith has
made you well." and the woman was
made well from that moment.

Matthew 9:22



Christ Heals the Woman Who Touched His Cloak -- Sant'Apollinaire Nuovo, Ravenna, Italy

... suddenly a leader came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live."

Matthew 9:18b



Jesus Raises the Child -- JESUS MAFA, Cameroon

When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him.

Matthew 9:23-24

But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread through all of that district.

Matthew 9:25-26



Jesus Raises the Daughter to Life -- National Children's Hospital, Tallaght, Dublin, Ireland

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