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Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30 (NRSV)

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. 

Glo-ry to you, Lord Christ.

[Jesus said to the crowd, “But] To what will I com-pare this gen-er-a-tion? It is like children sit-
ing in the mar-ket-pla-ces and cal-ling to one an-oth-er, 17 ‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.’ 18 For John came neith-er eat-ing nor drink-ing, and they say, ‘He has a de-mon’; 19 the Son of Man came eat-ing and drink-ing, and they say, ‘Look, a glut-
ton and a drunk-ard, a friend of tax collector and sin-ners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

25 At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the in-tel-li-gent and have revealed them to in-fants; 26 yes, Fa-ther,
for such was your gracious will. 27 All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. 28 “Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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