

The Traditional Lutheran Liturgy



The Common Service
as represented in the
Service Book and Hymnal

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THE ORDER OF SERVICE

¶ *The General Rubrics contain directions additional to those which appear in the Services.*

¶ *A Hymn of Invocation of the Holy Ghost may be sung.*

¶ *The Congregation shall rise. The Minister, standing at the Altar, shall sing or say:*
In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

¶ *The Congregation shall sing or say:*

Amen.

The Confession of Sins.

¶ *The Minister shall say:*

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

¶ *The Minister and Congregation may kneel.*

¶ *They shall sing or say:*

Our help is in the Name of the Lord.

Response. Who made heaven and earth.

I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

R. And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say:*

ALMIGHTY God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto Thee, that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against Thee, by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Thine infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Thy grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

¶ *The Congregation shall say with the Minister:*

O most merciful God, who hast given Thine Only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us, and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins: and by thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee, and of Thy will, and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

¶ *Then the Minister, standing, and facing the Congregation, shall say:*

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, hath had mercy upon us, and hath given His Only Son to die for us, and for His sake forgiveth us all our sins. To them that believe on His Name, He giveth power to become the sons of God, and hath promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believeth, and is baptized, shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

¶ *Or, he may say:*

The Almighty and merciful God grant unto you, being penitent, pardon and remission of all your sins, time for amendment of life, and the grace and comfort of his Holy Spirit.

¶ *The Congregation shall sing or say:*

Amen.

¶ *A brief silence may be kept before the Introit for the Day.*

¶ *The Congregation shall stand until the close of the Collect.*

Introit.

¶ *The Introit for the Day with the Gloria Patri shall be sung or said.*

Gloria Patri.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

¶ *Then shall be sung or said the Kyrie.*

Kyrie.

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

R. Lord, have mercy.

For the peace that is from above, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

R. Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the churches of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

R. Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house, and for them that in faith, piety and fear of God offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

R. Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, pity, and defend us, O God, by thy grace.

R. Amen.

¶ In place of the foregoing, the following Kyrie may be sung or said:

Lord, have mercy upon us.

R. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

R. Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

R. Lord, have mercy upon us.

¶ Then shall be sung or said the Gloria in Excelsis.

Gloria in Excelsis.

¶ The Minister shall sing or say:

Glory be to God on high!

¶ The Congregation shall sing or say:

And on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord; Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

¶ Then shall the Minister sing or say:

The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

¶ The Minister shall say:

Let us pray.

¶ Then shall the Minister say the Collect for the Day.

The Collect.

¶ The Collect ended, the Congregation shall sing or say:

Amen.

¶ Here the Minister may read the appointed Lesson from the Old Testament, saying: The Lesson is written in the ___ Chapter of _____, beginning at the ___ verse. The Lesson ended, he shall say, Here endeth the Lesson.

¶ Then may be sung a Psalm or a hymn version of a Psalm.

¶ *Then shall the Minister announce the Epistle for the Day, saying: The Epistle for (here he shall name the Festival or Day) is written in the ___ Chapter of _____, beginning at the ___ Verse.*

The Epistle.

¶ *The Epistle ended, the Minister shall say: Here endeth the Epistle for the Day.*

¶ *Then may the Gradual for the Day be sung.*

The Gradual.

¶ *When the Gradual for the Day is omitted, the Alleluia or the Gradual for the Season may be sung.*

The Alleluia.

Alleluia.

¶ *In Lent this Sentence shall be sung instead of the Alleluia:*

Christ hath humbled himself, and become obedient unto death: even the death of the Cross.

¶ *Then shall the Minister announce the Gospel of the Day saying: The Holy Gospel is written in the — Chapter of St. — beginning at the — Verse.*

¶ *The Congregation shall rise and sing or say:*

Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¶ *Then shall the Minister read the Gospel for the Day.*

The Gospel.

¶ *The Gospel ended, the Minister shall say: Here endeth the Gospel for the Day.*

¶ *The Congregation shall sing or say:*

Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

¶Then shall be said or sung the Creed.

The Creed.

¶The Nicene Creed shall be said or sung on all Festivals and whenever there is a Communion.

The Nicene Creed.

I Believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary. And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scripture; and ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the Prophets. And I believe in one Holy Christian* and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the Resurrection of the dead; and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**Or, "And I believe one Holy catholic and Apostolic Church," the original and generally accepted text.*

The Apostles' Creed.

I Believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Christian* Church, the Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body; And the Life everlasting. Amen.

**Or, "The Holy catholic Church," the original and generally accepted text.*

¶ Then shall be sung the Hymn.

The Hymn.

¶ Then shall follow the Sermon.

The Sermon.

¶ The Sermon being ended, the Congregation shall rise and the Minister shall then say:
The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

¶ The Congregation shall then say:

Amen.

¶ Then shall the Offering be received and presented at the Altar.

The Offering.

¶ Then shall follow the Offertory, the Congregation standing meanwhile. One of the Offertories here following, or any other suitable Offertory, may be sung or said.

¶ When there is a Communion, the Minister, after Silent Prayer, and during the singing of the Offertory, shall uncover the vessels and reverently prepare for the Administration of the Holy Sacrament.

The Offertory.

I.

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart,
O God, Thou wilt not despise.

Do good in Thy good pleasure unto Zion: Build Thou the walls of
Jerusalem.

Then shalt thou be pleased with the sacrifices of righteousness; with the
burnt-offering and whole burnt-offering.

II.

What shall I render unto the Lord: for all his benefits towards me?

I will offer unto thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving: and will call upon the
Name of the Lord.

I will take the cup of salvation: and call upon the Name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows unto the Lord now in the presence of all his people:
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem.

III.

Create in me a clean heart, O God: and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence: and take not Thy Holy Spirit from
me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation: and uphold me with Thy free
Spirit.

¶ Then shall follow the Prayer of the Church.

The Prayer of the Church.

¶ The indented paragraphs in the Prayer of the Church may be omitted, at the discretion of the Minister.

¶ If special prayers are desired by or for members of the Church, the Minister may make mention of them before beginning the Prayer of the Church, as occasion may require, or as follows:

Intercessions: The prayers of the Church are asked for the following brethren who are sick (*or, in adversity, or, in suffering, or, in need*): N. N.

Thanksgivings: N. N. desires to return thanks to God, for special blessings (*or, for restoration from illness, or, for gifts of grace*), and asks for the prayers of the Church.

Commemorations: Let us remember with thanksgiving before God our brethren who have departed this life with the sign of faith: N. N. (*or, our brother, N. N., who has departed from this life*).

Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: We give Thee praise and hearty thanks for all Thy goodness and tender mercies. We bless thee for the love which hath created and doth sustain us from day to day. We praise thee for the gift of thy Son, our Savior, through whom thou hast made known thy will and grace. We thank thee for the Holy Ghost, the Comforter; for thy holy Church, for the Means of Grace, for the lives of all faithful and godly men, and for the hope of the life to come. Help us to treasure in our hearts all that our Lord hath done for us; and enable us to show our thankfulness by lives that are given wholly to thy service;

R. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Save and defend thy Church Universal, purchased with the precious Blood of Christ. Give it pastors and ministers according to thy Spirit, and strengthen it through the Word and the holy Sacraments. Make it perfect in love and in all good works, and establish it in the faith delivered to the saints. Sanctify and unite thy people in all the world, that one holy Church may bear witness to thee, the God and Father of all;

R. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Upon all in any holy office in thy Church bestow thy wisdom and heavenly grace, and enable them to fulfill their duties in thy fear and in purity of heart. Let thy gracious benediction rest upon our clergy and people, and upon all who are set over us in the Lord; that faith may abound, and thy kingdom increase;

R. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Send forth thy light and thy truth into all the earth, O Lord. Raise up, we pray thee, faithful servants of Christ to labor in the Gospel at home and in distant lands;

R. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

According to thy merciful goodness, O God, extend thy saving health and strength to the younger Churches. Grant that they may rejoice in a rich harvest of souls for thy kingdom. Support them in times of trial and weakness, and make them steadfast, abounding in the work of the Lord;

R. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Preserve our Nation in righteousness and honor, and continue thy blessings to us as a people, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life, in all godliness and honesty. Grant also health and favor to all who bear office in our land, (especially to the President and the Congress, the Governor and Legislature of this State)*, and help them to acknowledge and obey thy holy will;

R. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

**In Canadian Churches, the following may be said: especially to her Gracious Majesty the Queen, the Prime Minister and the Parliament, and all Provincial Authorities.*

Give to all men the mind of Christ, and dispose our days in thy peace, O God. Take from us all hatred and prejudice, and whatever may hinder unity of spirit and concord. Prosper the labors of those who take counsel for the nations of the world, that mutual understanding and common endeavor may be increased among all peoples;

R. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Bless, we pray thee, the schools of the Church, universities and centers of research, all institutions of learning, and those who exercise the care of souls therein. Withhold not, we pray thee, thy Word and Wisdom, but bestow it in such measure that men may serve thee in Church and State, and our common life be brought under the rule of thy truth and righteousness;

R. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

We pray thee especially, heavenly Father, to sanctify our homes with thy light and joy. Keep our children in the covenant of their baptism, and enable their parents to rear them in a life of faith and godliness. By the spirit of affection and service unite the members of all Christian families, that they may show forth thy praise in our land and in all the world;

R. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

God of mercies, we pray thee to comfort with the grace of thy Holy Spirit all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy upon those to whom death draws near. Bring consolation to those in sorrow or mourning. And to all grant a measure of thy love, taking them into thy tender care;

R. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Let thy blessing rest upon the seed-time and harvest, the commerce and industry, the leisure and rest, and the arts and culture of our people. Take under thy special protection those whose toil is difficult or dangerous, and be with all who lay their hands to any useful task. Give them just rewards for their labor, and the knowledge that their work is good in thy sight, who art the Maker and Sustainer of all things;

R. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served thee in thy Church on earth, who now rest from their labors (especially those most dear to us, whom we name in our hearts before thee). Keep us in fellowship with all thy saints, and bring us at length to the joy of thy heavenly kingdom;

R. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

¶ Here special Supplications, Intercessions, and Thanksgivings may be made.

All these things, and whatever other else thou seest that we need, grant us, O Father, for his sake who died and rose again, and now liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end.

R. Amen.

¶ If there be no Communion the Minister and Congregation shall say the Lord's Prayer.

Our Father, who art in heaven; Hallowed be Thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

¶ A Hymn may then be sung.

¶ Then the Minister, standing at the Altar, shall sing or say the Benediction.

The Lord bless thee, and keep thee.

The Lord make His face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

¶ The Congregation shall sing or say:

Amen.

The Thanksgiving.

¶A Hymn shall be sung.

¶The Congregation shall rise at the beginning of the Preface.

The Preface.

¶ The Minister and Congregation shall sing or say:

The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

R. It is meet and right to do so.

¶Then shall the Minister turn to the Altar and sing or say:

It is truly meet, right, and salutary, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God:

¶ Here shall follow the Proper Preface for the Day or Season. If there be none especially appointed, then shall follow immediately, Therefore with angels, etc.

Proper Prefaces.

For Advent.

Who didst comfort thy people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom thou wilt also make all things new in the day when he shall come again to judge the world in righteousness. Therefore with Angels, etc.

For Christmas.

For in the mystery of the Word made flesh, Thou hast given us a new revelation of Thy glory: that seeing Thee in the person of Thy Son, we may be drawn to the love of those things which are not seen. Therefore with Angels, etc.

For Epiphany.

And now do we praise thee, that thou didst send unto us thine only-begotten Son, and that in him, being found in fashion as a man, thou didst reveal the fullness of thy glory. Therefore with Angels, etc.

For Lent.

Who on the Tree of the Cross didst give salvation unto mankind; that whence death arose, thence life also might rise again: and that he who by a tree once overcame, might likewise by a Tree be overcome, through Christ our Lord; through whom with Angels, etc.

For Easter.

But chiefly are we bound to praise Thee for the glorious Resurrection of Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord: for He is the very Paschal Lamb, which was offered for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; Who by His death hath destroyed death, and by His rising to life again, hath restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Angels, etc.

For the Ascension of our Lord.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who after His Resurrection appeared openly to all His disciples, and in their sight was taken up into Heaven that He might make us partakers of His Divine Nature. Therefore with Angels, etc.

For the Day of Pentecost.

Through Jesus Christ, Thy dear Son, our Lord and Savior; Who ascended above the heavens, and sitting at Thy right hand, poured out on this day the Holy Spirit, as He had promised, upon the chosen disciples; whereat the whole earth rejoices with exceeding joy. Therefore with Angels, etc.

For Trinity Sunday.

Who with Thine Only-begotten Son, and the Holy Ghost, art one God, one Lord. And in the confession of the only true God, we worship the Trinity in Person, and the Unity in Substance, of Majesty co-equal. Therefore with Angels, etc.

For All Saints' Day (or at any time when the faithful departed are remembered).

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who in the blessedness of thy saints hath given us a glorious pledge of the hope of our calling; that, following their example and being strengthened by their fellowship, we may exult in thee for thy mercy, even as they rejoice with thee in glory. Therefore with Angels, etc.

¶ *After the Preface shall follow immediately:*

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Thy glorious name; evermore praising Thee and saying:

¶ *Then shall be sung or said the Sanctus.*

Sanctus.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; Heaven and earth are full of Thy Glory; Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest.

¶Then may the Congregation kneel.

¶The Minister standing before the Altar, and facing it, shall say the Prayer of Thanksgiving.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving.

Holy art thou, Almighty and Merciful God. Holy art thou, and great is the Majesty of thy glory.

Thou didst so love the world as to give thine only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him might not perish, but have everlasting life; Who, having come into the world to fulfill for us thy holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation, IN THE NIGHT IN WHICH HE WAS BETRAYED, ^aTOOK BREAD; AND, WHEN HE HAD GIVEN THANKS, HE BRAKE IT AND GAVE IT TO HIS DISCIPLES, SAYING, TAKE, EAT; THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU; THIS DO IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME.

(a) Here he shall take the BREAD in his hand.

AFTER THE SAME MANNER ALSO, HE ^bTOOK THE CUP, WHEN HE HAD SUPPED, AND, WHEN HE HAD GIVEN THANKS, HE GAVE IT TO THEM, SAYING, DRINK YE ALL OF IT; THIS CUP IS THE NEW TESTAMENT IN MY BLOOD, WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU, AND FOR MANY, FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS; THIS DO, AS OFT AS YE DRINK IT, IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME.

(b) Here he shall take the CUP in his hand.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary precept, his life-giving Passion and Death, his glorious Resurrection and ascension and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to thee, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought, but as we are able; and we beseech thee mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving, and with thy Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, thy servants, and these thine own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who partake thereof may be filled with heavenly benediction and grace, and, receiving the remission of sins, be sanctified in soul and body, and have our portion with all thy saints.

And unto thee, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in thy holy Church, world without end. Amen.

¶ Then the Minister shall sing or say:

Our Father, who art in heaven; Hallowed be Thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

¶ The Congregation shall sing or say:

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

¶ Or, instead of the above Prayer of Thanksgiving, "Holy art thou, Almighty and Merciful God," the Minister may say the Words of Institution, followed by the Lord's Prayer.

The Words of Institution.

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, IN THE NIGHT IN WHICH HE WAS BETRAYED, ^aTOOK BREAD; AND, WHEN HE HAD GIVEN THANKS, HE BRAKE IT AND GAVE IT TO HIS DISCIPLES, SAYING, TAKE, EAT; THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU; THIS DO IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME.

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(b) Here he shall take the CUP in his hand.

The Lord's Prayer.

Our Father, who art in heaven, . . .

¶ Then shall the Minister turn to the Congregation and sing or say:

The peace of the Lord be with you alway.

¶ The Congregation shall sing or say:

And with thy spirit.

¶ Then, the Congregation standing, shall be sung or said the Agnus Dei.

Agnus Dei.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

¶ Then shall the Communicants present themselves before the Altar and receive the Holy Sacrament.

The Communion.

¶ When the Minister giveth the Bread he shall say:

The Body of Christ given for thee.

¶ When he giveth the Cup he shall say:

The Blood of Christ, shed for thee.

¶ The Communicant may say Amen after each Element has been received.

¶ After he hath given the Bread and the Cup, or after all have been communicated, the Minister shall say:

The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ and his precious Blood strengthen and preserve you unto eternal life.

The Post-Communion.

¶ Then shall the Congregation rise, and the Nunc Dimittis may be sung or said.

Nunc Dimittis.

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace: according to Thy Word;

For mine eyes have seen Thy salvation: which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people;

A light to lighten the Gentiles: and the glory of Thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

¶ Then shall be said The Prayer:

The Prayer.

¶ The Minister shall say one of the following Prayers; or he may say the Collect for Thursday in Holy Week.

O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

R. And His mercy endureth forever.

We give thanks to Thee, Almighty God, that Thou hast refreshed us through this salutary gift; and we beseech Thee, of Thy mercy, to strengthen us through the same gift, in faith toward Thee and in fervent love toward one another, through Jesus Christ, Thy dear Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end.

Or,

Pour forth upon us, O Lord, the spirit of thy love, that by thy mercy thou mayest make of one will those whom thou hast fed with one heavenly food; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end.

Or,

Almighty God, who givest the true Bread which cometh down from heaven, even thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord: Grant, we beseech thee, that we who have received the Sacrament of his Body and Blood may abide in him, and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end.

Or,

Almighty God, who hast given thine only begotten Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin and also an ensample of godly life: Give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that his inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavor ourselves to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end.

¶ The Congregation shall sing or say:

Amen.

¶ *Then may be sung or said the Salutation and the Benedicamus.*

The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

Bless we the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

¶ *Then the Minister, standing at the Altar, shall sing or say the Benediction.*

The Benediction.

The Lord bless thee, and keep thee.

The Lord make His face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

¶ *The Congregation shall sing or say:*

Amen.

NOTES

SOURCE FOR THIS TEXT:

Text from: *Altar Service Book* of the Lutheran Church in America, pp. 1-23. The Service Order is that found in the *Service Book and Hymnal* (SBH) used by the Lutheran Church in America, published 1958. This Order is based on the *Common Service Book* (CSB) of 1917, which in turn follows the format of Luther's *Formula Missae* (FM) of 1520 and *Deutsche Messe* (DM) of 1524.

The Eucharistic Prayer ("Prayer of Thanksgiving") is a recent addition, approved in 1958 for SBH. It was controversial at the time as Lutheranism traditionally rejects the notion of a Eucharistic Prayer.

COMPARISON WITH THE TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS (TLM):

Many of the prayers are original compositions, intended to avoid the Catholic theology of sin, forgiveness, and the Mass as Sacrifice. The rite's structure, however, follows the Latin Mass closely enough that a TLM-competent celebrant can use it with little adaptation. The rubrics, colors, and instructions for best practices (Piepkorn, *Conduct of the Service*) generally follow the TLM rubrics and the instructions given in Fortescue's *Ceremonies of the Roman Rite Described*. The propers are largely those of the Latin Mass with some divergences (including two "Gospel shifts," one during Advent and one after Pentecost) along the lines of Sarum. The Consecration of the Chalice is a major divergence, following the Mozarabic Rite instead of the Roman.

COMPARISON WITH NOVUS ORDO MISSAE (NO):

If the Latin Mass is the "Father" of the Novus Ordo, then the Lutheran liturgy is the "Mother," in that every part of the Novus Ordo's structure that is not found in the Latin Mass – Litanical Kyrie (optional), Old Testament Reading, Psalm, Alleluia, etc. – comes from the Augustana Use, most of the prayers found in the Novus Ordo are either new compositions or inherited from the Latin Mass (sometimes in heavily edited form). It should be noted that both SBH and NO were also influenced by the Taizé movement, which seems the source for NO and SBH material not otherwise found in the TLM and CSB.

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The Proper of the Service

Introits, Collects, Lessons, Epistles, Graduals and Gospels

The First Sunday in Advent (*Violet*)

INTROIT

Unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul: O my God, I trust in thee; let me not be ashamed: let not mine enemies triumph

over me; yea, let none that wait on thee: be ashamed. *Ps.* Show me thy ways, O Lord: teach me thy paths. *Glory be, etc.*

COLLECT

Stir up, we beseech thee, thy power, O Lord, and come; that by thy protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins, and saved by thy mighty

deliverance who livest and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Jeremiah 31:31-34*

[31] "Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, [32] not like the covenant which I made with their fathers when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant which they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. [33] But this is the covenant which I will make with the house of Israel after

those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it upon their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. [34] And no longer shall each man teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."

EPISTLE *Romans 13:11-14*

[11] Besides this you know what hour it is, how it is full time now for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed; [12] the night is far gone, the day is at hand. Let us then cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; [13] let us conduct

ourselves becomingly as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. [14] But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

GRADUAL

Let none that wait on thee: be ashamed. *V.* Show me thy ways, O Lord, teach me thy paths.

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* Show us thy mercy, O Lord: and grant us thy salvation. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Matthew 21:1-9*

[1] And when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Beth'phage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, [2]

saying to them, "Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find an ass tied, and a colt with her; untie

them and bring them to me. [3] If any one says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord has need of them,' and he will send them immediately." [4] This took place to fulfil what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

[5] "Tell the daughter of Zion,
Behold, your king is coming to you,
humble, and mounted on an ass,
and on a colt, the foal of an ass."

Or, Luke 3:1-6

[1] In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiber'i-us Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Iturae'a and Trachoni'tis, and Lysa'ni-as tetrarch of Abile'ne, [2] in the high-priesthood of Annas and Ca'iaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechari'ah in the wilderness; [3] and he went into all the region about the Jordan, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of

[6] The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; [7] they brought the ass and the colt, and put their garments on them, and he sat thereon. [8] Most of the crowd spread their garments on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. [9] And the crowds that went before him and that followed him shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"

sins. [4] As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet,
"The voice of one crying in the wilderness:
Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.
[5] Every valley shall be filled,
and every mountain and hill shall be brought low,
and the crooked shall be made straight,
and the rough ways shall be made smooth;
[6] and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

The Second Sunday in Advent (*Violet*)

INTROIT

Daughter of Zion: behold thy salvation cometh. The Lord shall cause his glorious voice to be heard: and ye shall have

gladness of heart. *Ps.* Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel: thou that leadest Joseph like a flock. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of thine only-begotten Son, so that by his coming we may be enabled to serve thee with pure minds; through the same thy

Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Malachi 4:1-6*

[1] "For behold, the day comes, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. [2] But for you who fear my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings. You shall go forth leaping like calves from the stall. [3] And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your

feet, on the day when I act, says the LORD of hosts.

[4] "Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and ordinances that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel.

[5] "Behold, I will send you Eli'jah the prophet before the great and terrible day of the LORD comes. [6] And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the land with a curse."

EPISTLE *Romans 15:4-13*

[4] For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. [5] May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, [6] that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

[7] Welcome one another, therefore, as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. [8] For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, [9] and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

"Therefore I will praise thee among the Gentiles,

and sing to thy name";

[10] and again it is said,

"Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people";

[11] and again,

"Praise the Lord, all Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him";

[12] and further Isaiah says,

"The root of Jesse shall come, he who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him shall the Gentiles hope."

[13] May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

GRADUAL

Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God hath shined: our God shall come. *V.* Gather my Saints together with me: those that have made a covenant with me by sacrifice.

GOSPEL *Luke 21:25-33*

[25] "And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and upon the earth distress of nations in perplexity at the roaring of the sea and the waves, [26] men fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world; for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. [27] And then they will see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. [28] Now when these things begin to take place, look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* I was glad when they said unto me: Let us go into the house of the Lord. *V.* Our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Jerusalem. Alleluia.

[29] And he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree, and all the trees; [30] as soon as they come out in leaf, you see for yourselves and know that the summer is already near. [31] So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. [32] Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away till all has taken place. [33] Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away."

The Third Sunday in Advent (*Violet*)

INTROIT

Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice. Let your moderation be known unto all men: the Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing: but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving

let your requests be made known unto God. *Ps.* Lord, thou hast been favorable unto thy land: thou hast brought back the captivity of Jacob. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Lord, we beseech thee, give ear to our prayers, and lighten the darkness of our hearts by thy gracious visitation; who livest

and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Isaiah 40:1-8*

[1] Comfort, comfort my people, says your God.

[2] Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins.

[3] A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

[4] Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level,

and the rough places a plain.

[5] And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

[6] A voice says, "Cry!" And I said, "What shall I cry?"

All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field.

[7] The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the LORD blows upon it;

surely the people is grass.

[8] The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand for ever.

EPISTLE *1 Corinthians 4:1-5*

[1] This is how one should regard us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God. [2] Moreover it is required of stewards that they be found trustworthy. [3] But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged by you or by any human court. I do not even judge myself. [4] I am not aware of anything

against myself, but I am not thereby acquitted. It is the Lord who judges me. [5] Therefore do not pronounce judgment before the time, before the Lord comes, who will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Then every man will receive his commendation from God.

GRADUAL

Thou that dwellest between the Cherubim, shine forth: stir up thy strength and come. *V.* Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel: thou that

leadest Joseph like a flock. Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* Stir up thy strength: and come and save us. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Matthew 11:2-10*

[2] Now when John heard in prison about the deeds of the Christ, he sent word by his disciples [3] and said to him, "Are you he who is to come, or shall we look for another?" [4] And Jesus answered them, "Go and tell John what you hear and see: [5] the blind receive their sight and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised up, and the poor have good news preached to them. [6] And blessed is he who takes no offense at me."

[7] As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds concerning John:

"What did you go out into the wilderness to behold? A reed shaken by the wind? [8] Why then did you go out? To see a man clothed in soft raiment? Behold, those who wear soft raiment are in kings' houses. [9] Why then did you go out? To see a prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. [10] This is he of whom it is written,

'Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, who shall prepare thy way before thee.'

The Fourth Sunday in Advent (*Violet*)

INTROIT

Drop down, ye heavens, from above: and let the skies pour down righteousness. Let the earth open: and let them bring forth

salvation. *Ps.* The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament showeth his handiwork. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Stir up, O Lord, we beseech thee, thy power, and come, and with great might succor us, that by the help of thy grace whatsoever is hindered by our sins may be

speedily accomplished through thy mercy and satisfaction; who livest and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Deuteronomy 18:15-19*

[15] "The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brethren -- him you shall heed -- [16] just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, 'Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God, or see this great fire any more, lest I die.' [17] And the LORD said to me, 'They have rightly said all that

they have spoken. [18] I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brethren; and I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. [19] And whoever will not give heed to my words which he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him.

Or, Isaiah 40:9-11

[9] Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, fear not; say to the cities of Judah, "Behold your God!" [10] Behold, the Lord GOD comes with

might,
and his arm rules for him;
behold, his reward is with him,
and his recompense before him.
[11] He will feed his flock like a shepherd,
he will gather the lambs in his arms,
he will carry them in his bosom,
and gently lead those that are with young.

EPISTLE *Philippians 4:4-7*

[4] Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. [5] Let all men know your forbearance. The Lord is at hand. [6] Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with

thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. [7] And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

GRADUAL

The Lord is nigh unto them that call upon him: to all that call upon him in truth. *V.* My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord: and let all flesh bless his holy name.

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* Thou art my help and my deliverer: make no tarrying, O my God. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *John 1:19-28*

[19] And this is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" [20] He confessed, he did not deny, but confessed, "I am not the Christ." [21] And they asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the prophet?" And he answered, "No." [22] They said to him then, "Who are you? Let us have an answer for those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?" [23] He said, "I am the voice of one crying in the

wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord,' as the prophet Isaiah said."

[24] Now they had been sent from the Pharisees. [25] They asked him, "Then why are you baptizing, if you are neither the Christ, nor Elijah, nor the prophet?" [26] John answered them, "I baptize with water; but among you stands one whom you do not know, [27] even he who comes after me, the thong of whose sandal I am not worthy to untie." [28] This took place in Bethany beyond the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

Christmas Day. The Nativity of Our Lord *(White)*

I. For the Early Service

INTROIT

The Lord hath said unto me: Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee. *Ps.* The Lord reigneth, he is clothed with majesty:

the Lord is clothed with strength, wherewith he hath girded himself. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

O God, who hast made this most holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: Grant, we beseech thee, that, as we have known on earth the mysteries of that

Light, we may also come to the fullness of his joys in heaven; who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Isaiah 9:2-7*

[2] The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined.

[3] Thou hast multiplied the nation, thou hast increased its joy; they rejoice before thee as with joy at the harvest, as men rejoice when they divide the spoil.

[4] For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, thou hast broken as on the day of Mid'ian.

[5] For every boot of the tramping warrior in battle tumult and every garment rolled in blood will be burned as fuel for the fire.

[6] For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government will be upon his shoulder, and his name will be called "Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

[7] Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, upon the throne of David, and over his kingdom, to establish it, and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and for evermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

EPISTLE *Titus 2:11-14*

[11] For the grace of God has appeared for the salvation of all men, [12] training us to renounce irreligion and worldly passions, and to live sober, upright, and godly lives in this world, [13] awaiting our blessed

hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, [14] who gave himself for us to redeem us from all iniquity and to purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

Or, 1 John 4:7-16

[7] Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God, and he who loves is born of God and knows God. [8] He who does not love does not know God; for God is love. [9] In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through

him. [10] In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the expiation for our sins. [11] Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. [12] No man has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

[13] By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his own Spirit. [14] And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. [15] Whoever

confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. [16] So we know and believe the love God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.

GRADUAL

The Lord is nigh unto them that call upon him: to all that call upon him in truth. *V.* My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord: and let all flesh bless his holy name.

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* Thou art my help and my deliverer: make no tarrying, O my God. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Luke 2:1-14*

[1] In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be enrolled. [2] This was the first enrollment, when Quirin'i-us was governor of Syria. [3] And all went to be enrolled, each to his own city. [4] And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, [5] to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. [6] And while they were there, the time came for her to be delivered. [7] And she gave birth to her first-born son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

over their flock by night. [9] And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear. [10] And the angel said to them, "Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people; [11] for to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. [12] And this will be a sign for you: you will find a babe wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." [13] And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

[8] And in that region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch

[14] "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men with whom he is pleased!"

II. For the Later Service

INTROIT

Unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder. And his Name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God:

The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. *Ps.* O sing unto the Lord a new song: for he hath done marvelous things. *Glory be, etc.*

COLLECT

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that the new birth of thine only-begotten Son in the flesh may set us free who are held in the old bondage under the yoke of sin; through

the same Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Isaiah 45:1-8*

[1] Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to
Cyrus,
whose right hand I have grasped,
to subdue nations before him
and ungird the loins of kings,
to open doors before him
that gates may not be closed:
[2] "I will go before you
and level the mountains,
I will break in pieces the doors of bronze
and cut asunder the bars of iron,
[3] I will give you the treasures of darkness
and the hoards in secret places,
that you may know that it is I, the LORD,
the God of Israel, who call you by your
name.
[4] For the sake of my servant Jacob,
and Israel my chosen,
I call you by your name,
I surname you, though you do not know

EPISTLE *Hebrews 1:1-12*

[1] In many and various ways God spoke of
old to our fathers by the prophets; [2] but in
these last days he has spoken to us by a
Son, whom he appointed the heir of all
things, through whom also he created the
world. [3] He reflects the glory of God and
bears the very stamp of his nature,
upholding the universe by his word of
power. When he had made purification for
sins, he sat down at the right hand of the
Majesty on high, [4] having become as
much superior to angels as the name he has
obtained is more excellent than theirs.

[5] For to what angel did God ever say,
"Thou art my Son,
today I have begotten thee"?
Or again,

"I will be to him a father, and he shall be
to me a son"?

[6] And again, when he brings the first-born
into the world, he says, "Let all God's
angels worship him."

me.

[5] I am the LORD, and there is no other,
besides me there is no God;

I gird you, though you do not know me,

[6] that men may know, from the rising of
the sun

and from the west, that there is none
besides me;

I am the LORD, and there is no other.

[7] I form light and create darkness,

I make weal and create woe,

I am the LORD, who do all these things.

[8] "Shower, O heavens, from above,

and let the skies rain down righteousness;

let the earth open, that salvation may
sprout forth,

and let it cause righteousness to spring up
also;

I the LORD have created it.

[7] Of the angels he says, "Who makes his
angels winds,

and his servants flames of fire."

[8] But of the Son he says,

"Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever,
the righteous scepter is the scepter of thy
kingdom.

[9] Thou hast loved righteousness and
hated lawlessness;

therefore God, thy God, has anointed thee
with the oil of gladness beyond thy
comrades."

[10] And, "Thou, Lord, didst found the
earth in the beginning,

and the heavens are the work of thy hands;

[11] they will perish, but thou remainest;

they will all grow old like a garment,

[12] like a mantle thou wilt roll them up,
and they will be changed.

But thou art the same,

and thy years will never end."

GRADUAL

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God: make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth. V. The Lord hath made known his salvation: his righteousness hath he openly showed in the

sight of the heathen.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. O come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us worship and bow down. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *John 1:1-14*

[1] In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. [2] He was in the beginning with God; [3] all things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made. [4] In him was life, and the life was the light of men. [5] The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

[6] There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. [7] He came for testimony, to bear witness to the light, that all might believe through him. [8] He was not the light, but came to bear witness to the light.

[9] The true light that enlightens every man was coming into the world. [10] He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world knew him not. [11] He came to his own home, and his own people received him not. [12] But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God; [13] who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

[14] And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father.

III. At Vespers

LESSON *Luke 2:15-20*

[15] When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us." [16] And they went with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. [17] And when they saw it they made known

the saying which had been told them concerning this child; [18] and all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. [19] But Mary kept all these things, pondering them in her heart. [20] And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

St. Stephen, Martyr. December 26 (*White*)

INTROIT

Princes also did sit and speak against me: the wicked have waited for me to destroy me. Help me, O Lord God, for I have kept

thy testimonies. *Ps.* Blessed are the undefiled in the way: who walk in the law of the Lord. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Grant us grace, O Lord, that like St. Stephen we may learn to love even our enemies, and seek forgiveness for those who desire our hurt; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our

Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *2 Chronicles 24:17-22*

[17] Now after the death of Jehoi'ada the princes of Judah came and did obeisance to the king; then the king hearkened to them. [18] And they forsook the house of the LORD, the God of their fathers, and served the Ashe'rim and the idols. And wrath came upon Judah and Jerusalem for this their guilt. [19] Yet he sent prophets among them to bring them back to the LORD; these testified against them, but they would not give heed.

[20] Then the Spirit of God took possession of Zechari'ah the son of Jehoi'ada the priest; and he stood above the

people, and said to them, "Thus says God, `Why do you transgress the commandments of the LORD, so that you cannot prosper? Because you have forsaken the LORD, he has forsaken you.'" [21] But they conspired against him, and by command of the king they stoned him with stones in the court of the house of the LORD. [22] Thus Jo'ash the king did not remember the kindness which Jehoi'ada, Zechari'ah's father, had shown him, but killed his son. And when he was dying, he said, "May the LORD see and avenge!"

EPISTLE *Acts 7:54-60*

[54] Now when they heard these things they were enraged, and they ground their teeth against him. [55] But he, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God; [56] and he said, "Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing at the right hand of God." [57] But they cried out with a loud voice and stopped their ears and rushed

together upon him. [58] Then they cast him out of the city and stoned him; and the witnesses laid down their garments at the feet of a young man named Saul. [59] And as they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." [60] And he knelt down and cried with a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

Or, Acts 6:8-7:60

[8] And Stephen, full of grace and power, did great wonders and signs among the people. [9] Then some of those who belonged to the synagogue of the Freedmen (as it was called), and of the Cyre'nians, and of the Alexandrians, and of those from

Cili'cia and Asia, arose and disputed with Stephen. [10] But they could not withstand the wisdom and the Spirit with which he spoke. [11] Then they secretly instigated men, who said, "We have heard him speak blasphemous words against Moses and

God." [12] And they stirred up the people and the elders and the scribes, and they came upon him and seized him and brought him before the council, [13] and set up false witnesses who said, "This man never ceases to speak words against this holy place and the law; [14] for we have heard him say that this Jesus of Nazareth will destroy this place, and will change the customs which Moses delivered to us." [15] And gazing at him, all who sat in the council saw that his face was like the face of an angel.

[7:1] And the high priest said, "Is this so?"

[2] And Stephen said: "Brethren and fathers, hear me. The God of glory appeared to our father Abraham, when he was in Mesopotamia, before he lived in Haran, [3] and said to him, 'Depart from your land and from your kindred and go into the land which I will show you.' [4] Then he departed from the land of the Chaldeans, and lived in Haran. And after his father died, God removed him from there into this land in which you are now living; [5] yet he gave him no inheritance in it, not even a foot's length, but promised to give it to him in possession and to his posterity after him, though he had no child. [6] And God spoke to this effect, that his posterity would be aliens in a land belonging to others, who would enslave them and ill-treat them four hundred years. [7] 'But I will judge the nation which they serve,' said God, 'and after that they shall come out and worship me in this place.' [8] And he gave him the covenant of circumcision. And so Abraham became the father of Isaac, and circumcised him on the eighth day; and Isaac became the father of Jacob, and Jacob of the twelve patriarchs.

[9] "And the patriarchs, jealous of Joseph, sold him into Egypt; but God was with him, [10] and rescued him out of all his afflictions, and gave him favor and wisdom

before Pharaoh, king of Egypt, who made him governor over Egypt and over all his household. [11] Now there came a famine throughout all Egypt and Canaan, and great affliction, and our fathers could find no food. [12] But when Jacob heard that there was grain in Egypt, he sent forth our fathers the first time. [13] And at the second visit Joseph made himself known to his brothers, and Joseph's family became known to Pharaoh. [14] And Joseph sent and called to him Jacob his father and all his kindred, seventy-five souls; [15] and Jacob went down into Egypt. And he died, himself and our fathers, [16] and they were carried back to Shechem and laid in the tomb that Abraham had bought for a sum of silver from the sons of Hamor in Shechem.

[17] "But as the time of the promise drew near, which God had granted to Abraham, the people grew and multiplied in Egypt [18] till there arose over Egypt another king who had not known Joseph. [19] He dealt craftily with our race and forced our fathers to expose their infants, that they might not be kept alive. [20] At this time Moses was born, and was beautiful before God. And he was brought up for three months in his father's house; [21] and when he was exposed, Pharaoh's daughter adopted him and brought him up as her own son. [22] And Moses was instructed in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and he was mighty in his words and deeds.

[23] "When he was forty years old, it came into his heart to visit his brethren, the sons of Israel. [24] And seeing one of them being wronged, he defended the oppressed man and avenged him by striking the Egyptian. [25] He supposed that his brethren understood that God was giving them deliverance by his hand, but they did not understand. [26] And on the following day he appeared to them as they were

quarreling and would have reconciled them, saying, 'Men, you are brethren, why do you wrong each other?' [27] But the man who was wronging his neighbor thrust him aside, saying, 'Who made you a ruler and a judge over us? [28] Do you want to kill me as you killed the Egyptian yesterday?' [29] At this retort Moses fled, and became an exile in the land of Mid'ian, where he became the father of two sons.

[30] "Now when forty years had passed, an angel appeared to him in the wilderness of Mount Sinai, in a flame of fire in a bush. [31] When Moses saw it he wondered at the sight; and as he drew near to look, the voice of the Lord came, [32] 'I am the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham and of Isaac and of Jacob.' And Moses trembled and did not dare to look. [33] And the Lord said to him, 'Take off the shoes from your feet, for the place where you are standing is holy ground. [34] I have surely seen the ill-treatment of my people that are in Egypt and heard their groaning, and I have come down to deliver them. And now come, I will send you to Egypt.'

[35] "This Moses whom they refused, saying, 'Who made you a ruler and a judge?' God sent as both ruler and deliverer by the hand of the angel that appeared to him in the bush. [36] He led them out, having performed wonders and signs in Egypt and at the Red Sea, and in the wilderness for forty years. [37] This is the Moses who said to the Israelites, 'God will raise up for you a prophet from your brethren as he raised me up.' [38] This is he who was in the congregation in the wilderness with the angel who spoke to him at Mount Sinai, and with our fathers; and he received living oracles to give to us. [39] Our fathers refused to obey him, but thrust him aside, and in their hearts they turned to Egypt, [40] saying to Aaron, 'Make for us gods to go before us; as for

this Moses who led us out from the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.' [41] And they made a calf in those days, and offered a sacrifice to the idol and rejoiced in the works of their hands. [42] But God turned and gave them over to worship the host of heaven, as it is written in the book of the prophets:

'Did you offer to me slain beasts and sacrifices,

forty years in the wilderness, O house of Israel?

[43] And you took up the tent of Moloch, and the star of the god Rephan, the figures which you made to worship; and I will remove you beyond Babylon.'

[44] "Our fathers had the tent of witness in the wilderness, even as he who spoke to Moses directed him to make it, according to the pattern that he had seen. [45] Our fathers in turn brought it in with Joshua when they dispossessed the nations which God thrust out before our fathers. So it was until the days of David, [46] who found favor in the sight of God and asked leave to find a habitation for the God of Jacob. [47] But it was Solomon who built a house for him. [48] Yet the Most High does not dwell in houses made with hands; as the prophet says,

[49] 'Heaven is my throne, and earth my footstool.

What house will you build for me, says the Lord,

or what is the place of my rest?

[50] Did not my hand make all these things?'

[51] "You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in heart and ears, you always resist the Holy Spirit. As your fathers did, so do you. [52] Which of the prophets did not your fathers persecute? And they killed those who announced beforehand the coming of the Righteous One, whom you have now betrayed and

murdered, [53] you who received the law as delivered by angels and did not keep it."

[54] Now when they heard these things they were enraged, and they ground their teeth against him. [55] But he, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God; [56] and he said, "Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing at the right hand of God." [57] But they cried out with a loud

GRADUAL

Blessed are they who are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. V. Be thou faithful unto death: and I will give thee a crown of

GOSPEL *Matthew 23:34-39*

[34] Therefore I send you prophets and wise men and scribes, some of whom you will kill and crucify, and some you will scourge in your synagogues and persecute from town to town, [35] that upon you may come all the righteous blood shed on earth, from the blood of innocent Abel to the blood of Zechari'ah the son of Barachi'ah, whom you murdered between the sanctuary and the altar. [36] Truly, I say to you, all this will come upon this generation.

voice and stopped their ears and rushed together upon him. [58] Then they cast him out of the city and stoned him; and the witnesses laid down their garments at the feet of a young man named Saul. [59] And as they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." [60] And he knelt down and cried with a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

life.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. I see the heavens opened: and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. Alleluia.

[37] O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, killing the prophets and stoning those who are sent to you! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not! [38] Behold, your house is forsaken and desolate. [39] For I tell you, you will not see me again, until you say, "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord."

St. John, Apostle, Evangelist. December 27 (*White*)

INTROIT

I know whom I have believed: and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day. There is laid up for me a crown of righteousness: which the Lord, the

righteous Judge, shall give me. *Ps.* O Lord, thou hast searched me and known me: thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising. *Glory be, etc.*

COLLECT

Merciful Lord, we beseech thee to cast the bright beams of thy light upon thy Church; that it, being instructed by the doctrine of thy blessed Apostle and Evangelist St. John, may so walk in the light of thy truth, that it

may at length attain to the light of everlasting life; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Hosea 14:1-9*

[1] Return, O Israel, to the LORD your God, for you have stumbled because of your iniquity.

[2] Take with you words and return to the LORD; say to him,

"Take away all iniquity; accept that which is good and we will render the fruit of our lips.

[3] Assyria shall not save us, we will not ride upon horses; and we will say no more, 'Our God,' to the work of our hands.

In thee the orphan finds mercy."

[4] I will heal their faithlessness; I will love them freely, for my anger has turned from them.

[5] I will be as the dew to Israel; he shall blossom as the lily, he shall strike root as the poplar;

[6] his shoots shall spread out; his beauty shall be like the olive, and his fragrance like Lebanon.

[7] They shall return and dwell beneath my shadow, they shall flourish as a garden; they shall blossom as the vine, their fragrance shall be like the wine of Lebanon.

[8] O E'phraim, what have I to do with idols?

It is I who answer and look after you. I am like an evergreen cypress, from me comes your fruit.

[9] Whoever is wise, let him understand these things; whoever is discerning, let him know them; for the ways of the LORD are right, and the upright walk in them, but transgressors stumble in them.

Or, Hosea 11:1-4

[1] When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son.

[2] The more I called them, the more they went from me; they kept sacrificing to the Ba'als, and burning incense to idols.

[3] Yet it was I who taught E'phraim to walk,

I took them up in my arms; but they did not know that I healed them.

[4] I led them with cords of compassion, with the bands of love, and I became to them as one, who eases the yoke on their jaws, and I bent down to them and fed them.

EPISTLE 1 John 1:1-10

[1] That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life -- [2] the life was made manifest, and we saw it, and testify to it, and proclaim to you the eternal life which was with the Father and was made manifest to us -- [3] that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you may have fellowship with us; and our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. [4] And we are writing this that our joy may be complete.

[5] This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is

light and in him is no darkness at all. [6] If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not live according to the truth; [7] but if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. [8] If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. [9] If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. [10] If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

GRADUAL

Their sound went forth through all the earth: and their words to the end of the world. *V.* The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament showeth his handiwork.

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain. Alleluia.

GOSPEL John 21:19b-24

[19b] And after this he said to him, "Follow me."

[20] Peter turned and saw following them the disciple whom Jesus loved, who had lain close to his breast at the supper and had said, "Lord, who is it that is going to betray you?" [21] When Peter saw him, he said to Jesus, "Lord, what about this man?" [22] Jesus said to him, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you?"

Follow me!" [23] The saying spread abroad among the brethren that this disciple was not to die; yet Jesus did not say to him that he was not to die, but, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you?"

[24] This is the disciple who is bearing witness to these things, and who has written these things; and we know that his testimony is true.

there till I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him." [14] And he rose and took the child and his mother by night, and departed to Egypt, [15] and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfil what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, "Out of Egypt have I called my son."

[16] Then Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, was in a furious rage, and he sent and killed all the

male children in Bethlehem and in all that region who were two years old or under, according to the time which he had ascertained from the wise men. [17] Then was fulfilled what was spoken by the prophet Jeremiah:

[18] "A voice was heard in Ramah, wailing and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be consoled, because they were no more."

The First Sunday after Christmas (*White*)

INTROIT

Thy testimonies are very sure: holiness becometh thine house, O Lord, forever. Thy throne is established of old: thou art from everlasting. *Ps.* The Lord reigneth, he

is clothed with majesty: the Lord is clothed with strength, wherewith he hath girded himself. *Glory be, etc.*

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, direct our actions according to thy good pleasure, that, in the Name of thy beloved Son, we may be made to abound in good works;

through the same thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Isaiah 63:7-16*

[7] I will recount the steadfast love of the LORD,
the praises of the LORD,
according to all that the LORD has granted us,
and the great goodness to the house of Israel
which he has granted them according to his mercy,
according to the abundance of his steadfast love.
[8] For he said, Surely they are my people,
sons who will not deal falsely;
and he became their Savior.
[9] In all their affliction he was afflicted,
and the angel of his presence saved them;
in his love and in his pity he redeemed them;
he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.
[10] But they rebelled
and grieved his holy Spirit;
therefore he turned to be their enemy,
and himself fought against them.
[11] Then he remembered the days of old,
of Moses his servant.

Where is he who brought up out of the sea
the shepherds of his flock?
Where is he who put in the midst of them
his holy Spirit,
[12] who caused his glorious arm
to go at the right hand of Moses,
who divided the waters before them
to make for himself an everlasting name,
[13] who led them through the depths?
Like a horse in the desert,
they did not stumble.
[14] Like cattle that go down into the valley,
the Spirit of the LORD gave them rest.
So thou didst lead thy people,
to make for thyself a glorious name.
[15] Look down from heaven and see,
from thy holy and glorious habitation.
Where are thy zeal and thy might?
The yearning of thy heart and thy
compassion
are withheld from me.
[16] For thou art our Father,
though Abraham does not know us
and Israel does not acknowledge us;
thou, O LORD, art our Father,
our Redeemer from of old is thy name.

EPISTLE *Galatians 4:1-7*

[1] I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no better than a slave, though he is the owner of all the estate; [2] but he is under guardians and trustees until the date

set by the father. [3] So with us; when we were children, we were slaves to the elemental spirits of the universe. [4] But when the time had fully come, God sent

forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, [5] to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. [6] And because you are

GRADUAL

Thou art fairer than the children of men: grace is poured into thy lips. V. My heart is inditing a good matter, I speak of the things which I have made touching the king: my tongue is the pen of a ready writer.

GOSPEL *Luke 2:33-40*

[33] And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him; [34] and Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother,

"Behold, this child is set for the fall and rising of many in Israel,

and for a sign that is spoken against

[35] (and a sword will pierce through your own soul also),

that thoughts out of many hearts may be revealed."

[36] And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phan'u-el, of the tribe of Asher; she was of a great age, having lived

sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" [7] So through God you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son then an heir.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. The Lord reigneth, he is clothed with majesty: the Lord is clothed with strength, wherewith he hath girded himself. Alleluia.

with her husband seven years from her virginity, [37] and as a widow till she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day. [38] And coming up at that very hour she gave thanks to God, and spoke of him to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

[39] And when they had performed everything according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city, Nazareth. [40] And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

The Circumcision and The Name of Jesus. New Year's Day (*White*)

INTROIT

O Lord our Lord, how excellent is thy Name in all the earth: who hast set thy glory above the heavens. What is man that thou art mindful of him: and the son of man

that thou visitest him? *Ps.* Thou, O Lord, art our Father, our Redeemer: thy Name is from everlasting. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

O Lord God, who, for our sakes, hast made thy blessed Son our Saviour subject to the Law, and caused him to endure the circumcision of the flesh: Grant us the true circumcision of the spirit, that our hearts

may be pure from all sinful desires and lusts; through the same thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Joshua 24:14-24*

[14] "Now therefore fear the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods which your fathers served beyond the River, and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. [15] And if you be unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell; but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD."

[16] Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD, to serve other gods; [17] for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our fathers up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage, and who did those great signs in our sight, and preserved us in all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; [18] and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples,

the Amorites who lived in the land; therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God."

[19] But Joshua said to the people, "You cannot serve the LORD; for he is a holy God; he is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. [20] If you forsake the LORD and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm, and consume you, after having done you good." [21] And the people said to Joshua, "Nay; but we will serve the LORD." [22] Then Joshua said to the people, "You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the LORD, to serve him." And they said, "We are witnesses." [23] He said, "Then put away the foreign gods which are among you, and incline your heart to the LORD, the God of Israel." [24] And the people said to Joshua, "The LORD our God we will serve, and his voice we will obey."

EPISTLE *Galatians 3:23-29*

[23] Now before faith came, we were confined under the law, kept under restraint until faith should be revealed. [24] So that the law was our custodian until Christ came, that we might be justified by faith. [25] But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a custodian; [26] for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God,

through faith. [27] For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. [28] There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. [29] And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

GRADUAL

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God: make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth. V. The Lord hath made known his salvation: his righteousness hath he openly showed in the

sight of the heathen.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. God, who of old time spake in divers ways unto the fathers by the prophets: hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Luke 2:21*

And at the end of eight days, when he was circumcised, he was called Jesus, the name

given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

COLLECT FOR A NEW YEAR

Almighty and everlasting God, from whom cometh down every good and perfect gift: We give the thanks for all thy benefits, temporal and spiritual, bestowed upon us in the year past, and we beseech thee of thy goodness, grant us a favorable and joyful

year, defend us from all dangers and adversities, and send upon us the fulness of thy blessing; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The Second Sunday after Christmas *(White)*

INTROIT

Thy testimonies are very sure: holiness becometh thine house, O Lord, forever. Thy throne is established of old: thou art from everlasting. *Ps.* The Lord reigneth, he

is clothed with majesty: the Lord is clothed with strength, wherewith he hath girded himself. *Glory be, etc.*

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, direct our actions according to thy good pleasure, that, in the Name of thy beloved Son, we may be made to abound in good works;

through the same thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON 1 *Samuel 2:1-10*

[1] Hannah also prayed and said,
"My heart exults in the LORD;
my strength is exalted in the LORD.
My mouth derides my enemies,
because I rejoice in thy salvation.
[2] "There is none holy like the LORD,
there is none besides thee;
there is no rock like our God.
[3] Talk no more so very proudly,
let not arrogance come from your mouth;
for the LORD is a God of knowledge,
and by him actions are weighed.
[4] The bows of the mighty are broken,
but the feeble gird on strength.
[5] Those who were full have hired
themselves out for bread,
but those who were hungry have ceased to
hunger.
The barren has borne seven,
but she who has many children is forlorn.

[6] The LORD kills and brings to life;
he brings down to Sheol and raises up.
[7] The LORD makes poor and makes rich;
he brings low, he also exalts.
[8] He raises up the poor from the dust;
he lifts the needy from the ash heap,
to make them sit with princes
and inherit a seat of honor.
For the pillars of the earth are the LORD'S,
and on them he has set the world.
[9] "He will guard the feet of his faithful
ones;
but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness;
for not by might shall a man prevail.
[10] The adversaries of the LORD shall be
broken to pieces;
against them he will thunder in heaven.
The LORD will judge the ends of the earth;
he will give strength to his king,
and exalt the power of his anointed."

EPISTLE *Titus 3:4-7*

[4] But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, [5] he saved us, not because of deeds done by us in righteousness, but in virtue of his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and

renewal in the Holy Spirit, [6] which he poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, [7] so that we might be justified by his grace and become heirs in hope of eternal life.

GRADUAL

Thou art fairer than the children of men: grace is poured into thy lips. *V.* My heart is inditing a good matter, I speak of the things

which I have made touching the king: my tongue is the pen of a ready writer. Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* The Lord reigneth, he

is clothed with majesty: the Lord is clothed with strength, wherewith he hath girded

GOSPEL *John 1:14-18*

[14] And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father. [15] (John bore witness to him, and cried, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks before me, for he was before me.'") [16] And from

himself. Alleluia.

his fulness have we all received, grace upon grace. [17] For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. [18] No one has ever seen God; the only Son, who is in the bosom of the Father, he has made him known.

The Epiphany of Our Lord. January 6 *(White)*

¶ *When only the Epistle and Gospel are read, the Epistle shall be Isaiah 60:1-6.*

INTROIT

Behold the Lord, the Ruler, hath come: and the kingdom, and the power, and the glory are in his hand. *Ps.* Give the King thy

judgments, O God: and thy righteousness unto the King's Son. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

O God, who on this day by the leading of a star didst reveal thine only-begotten Son to the Gentiles: Mercifully grant that we, who know thee now by faith, may be brought to contemplate the beauty of thy Majesty;

through the same Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Isaiah 60:1-6*

[1] Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

[2] For behold, darkness shall cover the earth,

and thick darkness the peoples;

but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you.

[3] And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.

[4] Lift up your eyes round about, and see; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far,

and your daughters shall be carried in the arms.

[5] Then you shall see and be radiant, your heart shall thrill and rejoice;

because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you,

the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

[6] A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Mid'ian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come.

They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

EPISTLE *Colossians 1:24-27*

[24] Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I complete what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, [25] of which I became a minister according to the divine office which was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, [26] the

mystery hidden for ages and generations but now made manifest to his saints. [27]

To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

Or, Ephesians 3:1-12

[1] For this reason I, Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus on behalf of you Gentiles -- [2] assuming that you have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for you, [3] how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I have written briefly. [4] When you read this you can perceive my insight into the mystery of

Christ, [5] which was not made known to the sons of men in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit; [6] that is, how the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

[7] Of this gospel I was made a minister according to the gift of God's grace which was given me by the working of his power. [8] To me, though I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, [9] and to make all men see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; [10] that

GRADUAL

All they from Sheba shall come, they shall bring gold and incense: and they shall show forth the praises of the Lord. V. Arise, shine, for thy light is come, and the glory of

GOSPEL *Matthew 2:1-12*

[1] Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying, [2] "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the East, and have come to worship him." [3] When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; [4] and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. [5] They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it is written by the prophet:

[6] "And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,

are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;

for from you shall come a ruler
who will govern my people Israel."

[7] Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what

through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the principalities and powers in the heavenly places. [11] This was according to the eternal purpose which he has realized in Christ Jesus our Lord, [12] in whom we have boldness and confidence of access through our faith in him.

the Lord is risen upon thee.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. We have seen his star in the east: and are come to worship him. Alleluia.

time the star appeared; [8] and he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him bring me word, that I too may come and worship him." [9] When they had heard the king they went their way; and lo, the star which they had seen in the East went before them, till it came to rest over the place where the child was. [10] When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy; [11] and going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. [12] And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

The First Sunday after the Epiphany (*White*)

INTROIT

I saw also the Lord, sitting upon a throne: high and lifted up. And I heard the voice of a great multitude, saying: Alleluia, for the

Lord God omnipotent reigneth. *Ps.* Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness. *Glory be, etc.*

COLLECT

O Lord, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers of thy people who call upon thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power

faithfully to fulfill the same; through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Ecclesiastes 12:1-7*

[1] Remember also your Creator in the days of your youth, before the evil days come, and the years draw nigh, when you will say, "I have no pleasure in them"; [2] before the sun and the light and the moon and the stars are darkened and the clouds return after the rain; [3] in the day when the keepers of the house tremble, and the strong men are bent, and the grinders cease because they are few, and those that look through the windows are dimmed, [4] and the doors on the street are shut; when the sound of the grinding is low, and one rises

up at the voice of a bird, and all the daughters of song are brought low; [5] they are afraid also of what is high, and terrors are in the way; the almond tree blossoms, the grasshopper drags itself along and desire fails; because man goes to his eternal home, and the mourners go about the streets; [6] before the silver cord is snapped, or the golden bowl is broken, or the pitcher is broken at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the cistern, [7] and the dust returns to the earth as it was, and the spirit returns to God who gave it.

EPISTLE *Romans 12:1-5*

[1] I appeal to you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. [2] Do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may prove what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

[3] For by the grace given to me I bid every one among you not to think of

himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith which God has assigned him. [4] For as in one body we have many members, and all the members do not have the same function, [5] so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.

GRADUAL

Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, who only doeth wondrous things: and blessed be his glorious Name forever. *V.* The mountains shall bring peace to the

people, and the little hills, by righteousness. Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Luke 2:41-52*

[41] Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the Passover. [42] And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom; [43] and when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, [44] but supposing him to be in the company they went a day's journey, and they sought him among their kinsfolk and acquaintances; [45] and when they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, seeking him. [46] After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions; [47] and all who heard him were

amazed at his understanding and his answers. [48] And when they saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been looking for you anxiously." [49] And he said to them, "How is it that you sought me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" [50] And they did not understand the saying which he spoke to them. [51] And he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart.

[52] And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature, and in favor with God and man.

The Second Sunday after the Epiphany (*Green*)

INTROIT

All the earth shall worship thee, and shall sing unto thee: they shall sing to thy name, O thou most High. *Ps.* Make a joyful noise

unto the Lord, all ye lands: sing forth the honor of his Name, make his praise glorious. *Glory be, etc.*

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth: mercifully hear the supplications of thy people, and grant us thy peace all the days

of our life; through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Isaiah 61:1-6*

[1] The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me to bring good tidings to the afflicted; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; [2] to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; [3] to grant to those who mourn in Zion -- to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit; that they may be called oaks of

righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he may be glorified. [4] They shall build up the ancient ruins, they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations. [5] Aliens shall stand and feed your flocks, foreigners shall be your plowmen and vinedressers; [6] but you shall be called the priests of the LORD, men shall speak of you as the ministers of our God; you shall eat the wealth of the nations, and in their riches you shall glory.

EPISTLE *Romans 12:6-16a*

[6] Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; [7] if service, in our serving; he who teaches, in his teaching; [8] he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who contributes, in liberality; he who gives aid, with zeal; he who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

[9] Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; [10] love one another with brotherly affection; outdo one another in showing honor. [11] Never flag

in zeal, be aglow with the Spirit, serve the Lord. [12] Rejoice in your hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. [13] Contribute to the needs of the saints, practice hospitality.

[14] Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. [15] Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. [16] Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly.

GRADUAL

He sent his Word and healed them: and delivered them from their destructions. V. O that men would praise the Lord for his goodness: and for his wonderful works to

GOSPEL *John 2:1-11*

[1] On the third day there was a marriage at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there; [2] Jesus also was invited to the marriage, with his disciples. [3] When the wine failed, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." [4] And Jesus said to her, "O woman, what have you to do with me? My hour has not yet come." [5] His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." [6] Now six stone jars were standing there, for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. [7] Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the

the children of men.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Praise ye him, all his angels: praise ye him, all his hosts. Alleluia.

brim. [8] He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the steward of the feast." So they took it. [9] When the steward of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward of the feast called the bridegroom [10] and said to him, "Every man serves the good wine first; and when men have drunk freely, then the poor wine; but you have kept the good wine until now." [11] This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

The Third Sunday after the Epiphany *(Green)*

INTROIT

Worship him, all ye his angels: Zion heard and was glad. The daughters of Judah rejoiced: because of thy judgments, O Lord.

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth: mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth the right hand of thy Majesty to help and

LESSON *2 Kings 5:1-15a*

[1] Na'aman, commander of the army of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master and in high favor, because by him the LORD had given victory to Syria. He was a mighty man of valor, but he was a leper. [2] Now the Syrians on one of their raids had carried off a little maid from the land of Israel, and she waited on Na'aman's wife. [3] She said to her mistress, "Would that my lord were with the prophet who is in Sama'ria! He would cure him of his leprosy." [4] So Na'aman went in and told his lord, "Thus and so spoke the maiden from the land of Israel." [5] And the king of Syria said, "Go now, and I will send a letter to the king of Israel."

So he went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten festal garments. [6] And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you Na'aman my servant, that you may cure him of his leprosy." [7] And when the king of Israel read the letter, he rent his clothes and said, "Am I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Only consider, and see how he is seeking a quarrel with me."

[8] But when Eli'sha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had rent his clothes, he sent to the king, saying, "Why

Ps. The Lord reigneth, let the earth rejoice: let the multitude of isles be glad thereof. Glory be, *etc.*

defend us; through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

have you rent your clothes? Let him come now to me, that he may know that there is a prophet in Israel." [9] So Na'aman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the door of Eli'sha's house. [10] And Eli'sha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." [11] But Na'aman was angry, and went away, saying, "Behold, I thought that he would surely come out to me, and stand, and call on the name of the LORD his God, and wave his hand over the place, and cure the leper. [12] Are not Aba'na and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" So he turned and went away in a rage. [13] But his servants came near and said to him, "My father, if the prophet had commanded you to do some great thing, would you not have done it? How much rather, then, when he says to you, 'Wash, and be clean?'" [14] So he went down and dipped himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; and his flesh was restored like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.

[15] Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company, and he came and stood before him; and he said, "Behold, I know that there is no God in all the earth but in Israel."

EPISTLE *Romans 12:16b-21*

[16b] Never be conceited. [17] Repay no one evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. [18] If possible, so far as it depends upon you, live peaceably with all. [19] Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will

GRADUAL

So the heathen shall fear the Name of the Lord: and all the kings of the earth thy glory. V. When the Lord shall build up Zion: he shall appear in his glory.

GOSPEL *Matthew 8:1-13*

[1] When he came down from the mountain, great crowds followed him; [2] and behold, a leper came to him and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, if you will, you can make me clean." [3] And he stretched out his hand and touched him, saying, "I will; be clean." And immediately his leprosy was cleansed. [4] And Jesus said to him, "See that you say nothing to any one; but go, show yourself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, for a proof to the people."

[5] As he entered Caper'na-um, a centurion came forward to him, beseeching him [6] and saying, "Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home, in terrible distress." [7] And he said to him, "I will come and heal him." [8] But the centurion answered him, "Lord, I am not worthy to

Or, John 1:29-34

[29] The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! [30] This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks before me, for he was before me.' [31] I myself did not know him; but for this I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel." [32] And John bore witness, "I saw the

repay, says the Lord." [20] No, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals upon his head." [21] Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. The Lord reigneth, let the earth rejoice: let the multitude of isles be glad thereof. Alleluia.

have you come under my roof; but only say the word, and my servant will be healed. [9] For I am a man under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come,' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this,' and he does it." [10] When Jesus heard him, he marveled, and said to those who followed him, "Truly, I say to you, not even in Israel have I found such faith. [11] I tell you, many will come from east and west and sit at table with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven, [12] while the sons of the kingdom will be thrown into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth." [13] And to the centurion Jesus said, "Go; be it done for you as you have believed." And the servant was healed at that very moment.

Spirit descend as a dove from heaven, and it remained on him. [33] I myself did not know him; but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' [34] And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God."

The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany (*Green*)

INTROIT

Worship him, all ye his angels: Zion heard and was glad. The daughters of Judah rejoiced: because of thy judgments, O Lord.

COLLECT

Almighty God, who knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: Grant to us such strength and protection as may

LESSON *Exodus 14:21-31*

[21] Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided. [22] And the people of Israel went into the midst of the sea on dry ground, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left. [23] The Egyptians pursued, and went in after them into the midst of the sea, all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen. [24] And in the morning watch the LORD in the pillar of fire and of cloud looked down upon the host of the Egyptians, and discomfited the host of the Egyptians, [25] clogging their chariot wheels so that they drove heavily; and the Egyptians said, "Let us flee from before Israel; for the LORD fights for them against the Egyptians."

[26] Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, that the water may come back upon the Egyptians,

EPISTLE *Romans 13:8-10*

[8] Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbor has fulfilled the law. [9] The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not kill, You shall not steal, You shall not

GRADUAL

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support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen." [27] So Moses stretched forth his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to its wonted flow when the morning appeared; and the Egyptians fled into it, and the LORD routed the Egyptians in the midst of the sea. [28] The waters returned and covered the chariots and the horsemen and all the host of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not so much as one of them remained. [29] But the people of Israel walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left.

[30] Thus the LORD saved Israel that day from the hand of the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead upon the seashore. [31] And Israel saw the great work which the LORD did against the Egyptians, and the people feared the LORD; and they believed in the LORD and in his servant Moses.

covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this sentence, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." [10] Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

Lord: and all the kings of the earth thy

glory. V. When the Lord shall build up Zion: he shall appear in his glory. Alleluia, alleluia. V. The Lord reigneth, let

the earth rejoice: let the multitude of isles be glad thereof. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Matthew 8:23-27*

[23] And when he got into the boat, his disciples followed him. [24] And behold, there arose a great storm on the sea, so that the boat was being swamped by the waves; but he was asleep. [25] And they went and woke him, saying, "Save, Lord; we are

perishing." [26] And he said to them, "Why are you afraid, O men of little faith?" Then he rose and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a great calm. [27] And the men marveled, saying, "What sort of man is this, that even winds and sea obey him?"

The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany (*Green*)

INTROIT

Worship him, all ye his angels: Zion heard and was glad. The daughters of Judah rejoiced: because of thy judgments, O Lord.

COLLECT

O Lord, we beseech thee to keep thy Church and household continually in thy true religion; that they who do lean only upon the hope of thy heavenly grace may evermore be defended by thy mighty

LESSON *Ezekiel 33:10-16*

[10] "And you, son of man, say to the house of Israel, Thus have you said: 'Our transgressions and our sins are upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?' [11] Say to them, As I live, says the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel? [12] And you, son of man, say to your people, The righteousness of the righteous shall not deliver him when he transgresses; and as for the wickedness of the wicked, he shall not fall by it when he turns from his wickedness; and the righteous shall not be able to live by his righteousness when he

EPISTLE *Colossians 3:12-17*

[12] Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness, and patience, [13] forbearing one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. [14] And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. [15] And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to

GRADUAL

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power; through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

sins. [13] Though I say to the righteous that he shall surely live, yet if he trusts in his righteousness and commits iniquity, none of his righteous deeds shall be remembered; but in the iniquity that he has committed he shall die. [14] Again, though I say to the wicked, 'You shall surely die,' yet if he turns from his sin and does what is lawful and right, [15] if the wicked restores the pledge, gives back what he has taken by robbery, and walks in the statutes of life, committing no iniquity; he shall surely live, he shall not die. [16] None of the sins that he has committed shall be remembered against him; he has done what is lawful and right, he shall surely live.

which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. [16] Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teach and admonish one another in all wisdom, and sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs with thankfulness in your hearts to God. [17] And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Lord: and all the kings of the earth thy

glory. V. When the Lord shall build up Zion: he shall appear in his glory.
Alleluia, alleluia. V. The Lord reigneth, let

GOSPEL *Matthew 13:24-30*

[24] Another parable he put before them, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field; [25] but while men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away. [26] So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. [27] And the servants of the householder came and said to him, 'Sir, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then has it weeds?' [28] He

the earth rejoice: let the multitude of isles be glad thereof. Alleluia.

said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' The servants said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' [29] But he said, 'No; lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. [30] Let both grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"

The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany (*White*)

¶ *The Propers for this Sunday (Transfiguration Sunday) may be used on the Last Sunday after the Epiphany, except when there is only one Sunday after the Epiphany.*

INTROIT

The lightnings lightened the world: the earth trembled and shook. *Ps.* How amiable are thy tabernacles, O Lord of

hosts: my soul longeth, yes, even fainteth for the courts of the Lord. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

O God, who, in the glorious Transfiguration of thy only-begotten Son, hast confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of the Fathers, and who, in the voice that came from the bright cloud, didst in a wonderful manner foreshow the adoption of sons: mercifully vouchsafe to

make us co-heirs with the King of his glory, and bring us to enjoyment of the same; through the same Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Exodus 34:29-35*

[29] When Moses came down from Mount Sinai, with the two tables of the testimony in his hand as he came down from the mountain, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. [30] And when Aaron and all the people of Israel saw Moses, behold, the skin of his face shone, and they were afraid to come near him. [31] But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses talked with them. [32] And afterward all the people of Israel came near,

and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him in Mount Sinai. [33] And when Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; [34] but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he took the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the people of Israel what he was commanded, [35] the people of Israel saw the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face shone; and Moses would put the veil upon his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

EPISTLE 2 *Peter 1:16-21*

[16] For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. [17] For when he received honor and glory from God the Father and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased," [18] we heard this voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. [19] And we have the

prophetic word made more sure. You will do well to pay attention to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. [20] First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, [21] because no prophecy ever came by the impulse of man, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

GRADUAL

Thou art fairer than the children of men: grace is poured into thy lips. V. The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand: until I make thine enemies thy footstool.

GOSPEL *Matthew 17:1-9*

[1] And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain apart. [2] And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his garments became white as light. [3] And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Eli'jah, talking with him. [4] And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is well that we are here; if you wish, I will make three booths here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Eli'jah." [5] He was still speaking, when lo, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Sing unto the Lord, bless his Name; show forth his salvation from day to day: declare his glory among the heathen, his wonders among all people. Alleluia.

voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." [6] When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces, and were filled with awe. [7] But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." [8] And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.

[9] And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Tell no one the vision, until the Son of man is raised from the dead."

Septuagesima Sunday *(Green or Violet)*

INTROIT

The sorrows of death compassed me: the sorrows of hell compassed me about. In my distress I called upon the Lord: and he

heard my voice out of his temple. *Ps.* I will love thee, O Lord, my strength: the Lord is my rock and my fortress. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

O Lord, we beseech thee favorably to hear the prayers of thy people: that we, who are justly punished for our offences, may be mercifully delivered by thy goodness, for

the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Jeremiah 9:23-24*

[23] Thus says the LORD: "Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, let not the mighty man glory in his might, let not the rich man glory in his riches; [24] but let him who glories glory in this, that he understands

and knows me, that I am the LORD who practice steadfast love, justice, and righteousness in the earth; for in these things I delight, says the LORD."

EPISTLE *1 Corinthians 9:24-10:5*

[24] Do you not know that in a race all the runners compete, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. [25] Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. [26] Well, I do not run aimlessly, I do not box as one beating the air; [27] but I pommel my body and subdue it, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

passed through the sea, [2] and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, [3] and all ate the same supernatural food [4] and all drank the same supernatural drink. For they drank from the supernatural Rock which followed them, and the Rock was Christ. [5] Nevertheless with most of them God was not pleased; for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

[10:1] I want you to know, brethren, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all

GRADUAL

The Lord also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble: and they that know thy Name will put their trust in thee; for thou, Lord, hast not forsaken them that seek thee. *V.* For the

needy shall not always be forgotten: The expectation of the poor shall not perish forever. Arise, O Lord; let not man prevail. *Tract.* *V.* Out of the depths have I cried unto thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice.

GOSPEL *Matthew 20:1-16*

[1] "For the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. [2] After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his

vineyard. [3] And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place; [4] and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' So they went. [5]

Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. [6] And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing; and he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' [7] They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' [8] And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his steward, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.' [9] And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. [10] Now when the first came, they thought they would receive

more; but each of them also received a denarius. [11] And on receiving it they grumbled at the householder, [12] saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' [13] But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for a denarius? [14] Take what belongs to you, and go; I choose to give to this last as I give to you. [15] Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' [16] So the last will be first, and the first last."

Sexagesima Sunday (*Green or Violet*)

INTROIT

Awake, why sleepest thou, O Lord: arise, cast us not off for ever. Wherefore hidest thou thy face: and forgettest our affliction? Our soul is bowed down to the dust: arise

for our help and redeem us. *Ps.* We have heard with our ears, O God: our fathers have told us what work thou didst in their days. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

O Lord God, who seest that we put not our trust in anything that we do: Mercifully grant that by thy power we may be defended against all adversity; through

Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Amos 8:11-12*

[11] "Behold, the days are coming," says the Lord GOD, "when I will send a famine on the land; not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD.

[12] They shall wander from sea to sea, and from north to east; they shall run to and fro, to seek the word of the LORD, but they shall not find it.

EPISTLE *2 Corinthians 11:19-12:9*

[19] For you gladly bear with fools, being wise yourselves! [20] For you bear it if a man makes slaves of you, or preys upon you, or takes advantage of you, or puts on airs, or strikes you in the face. [21] To my shame, I must say, we were too weak for that!

wilderness, danger at sea, danger from false brethren; [27] in toil and hardship, through many a sleepless night, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure. [28] And, apart from other things, there is the daily pressure upon me of my anxiety for all the churches. [29] Who is weak, and I am not weak? Who is made to fall, and I am not indignant?

But whatever any one dares to boast of -- I am speaking as a fool -- I also dare to boast of that. [22] Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they descendants of Abraham? So am I. [23] Are they servants of Christ? I am a better one -- I am talking like a madman -- with far greater labors, far more imprisonments, with countless beatings, and often near death. [24] Five times I have received at the hands of the Jews the forty lashes less one. [25] Three times I have been beaten with rods; once I was stoned. Three times I have been shipwrecked; a night and a day I have been adrift at sea; [26] on frequent journeys, in danger from rivers, danger from robbers, danger from my own people, danger from Gentiles, danger in the city, danger in the

[30] If I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness. [31] The God and Father of the Lord Jesus, he who is blessed for ever, knows that I do not lie. [32] At Damascus, the governor under King Ar'etas guarded the city of Damascus in order to seize me, [33] but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped his hands.

[12:1] I must boast; there is nothing to be gained by it, but I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. [2] I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven -- whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. [3] And I know that this man was

caught up into Paradise -- whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows -- [4] and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. [5] On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. [6] Though if I wish to boast, I shall not be a fool, for I shall be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. [7] And to

GRADUAL

Let men know that thou, whose Name alone is the Lord, art the most High over all the earth. *V.* O my God, make them like a wheel: as the stubble before the wind.

GOSPEL *Luke 8:4-15*

[4] And when a great crowd came together and people from town after town came to him, he said in a parable: [5] "A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell along the path, and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air devoured it. [6] And some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. [7] And some fell among thorns; and the thorns grew with it and choked it. [8] And some fell into good soil and grew, and yielded a hundredfold." As he said this, he called out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

[9] And when his disciples asked him what this parable meant, [10] he said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but for others they are in parables, so that seeing they may not see,

keep me from being too elated by the abundance of revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan, to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. [8] Three times I besought the Lord about this, that it should leave me; [9] but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." I will all the more gladly boast of my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

Tract. V. Thou hast given a banner to them that fear thee: that it may be displayed because of the truth.

and hearing they may not understand. [11] Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. [12] The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, that they may not believe and be saved. [13] And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy; but these have no root, they believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. [14] And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. [15] And as for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bring forth fruit with patience.

Quinquagesima Sunday (*Green or Violet*)

INTROIT

Be thou my strong rock: for an house of defence to save me. Thou art my rock and my fortress: therefore for thy Name's sake lead me and guide me. *Ps.* In thee, O Lord,

do I put my trust; let me never be ashamed: deliver me in thy righteousness. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

O Lord, we beseech thee mercifully to hear our prayers, and, having set us free from the bonds of sin, defend us from all evil; through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Jeremiah 8:4-9*

[4] "You shall say to them, Thus says the LORD:

When men fall, do they not rise again?

If one turns away, does he not return?

[5] Why then has this people turned away in perpetual backsliding?

They hold fast to deceit, they refuse to return.

[6] I have given heed and listened, but they have not spoken aright; no man repents of his wickedness, saying, 'What have I done?'

Every one turns to his own course, like a horse plunging headlong into battle.

[7] Even the stork in the heavens

knows her times;

and the turtledove, swallow, and crane keep the time of their coming;

but my people know not the ordinance of the LORD.

[8] "How can you say, 'We are wise, and the law of the LORD is with us?' But, behold, the false pen of the scribes has made it into a lie.

[9] The wise men shall be put to shame, they shall be dismayed and taken; lo, they have rejected the word of the LORD,

and what wisdom is in them?

EPISTLE *1 Corinthians 13:1-13*

[1] If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. [2] And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. [3] If I give away all I have, and if I deliver my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

[4] Love is patient and kind; love is not jealous or boastful; [5] it is not arrogant or rude. Love does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; [6] it does not rejoice at wrong, but rejoices in the right. [7]

Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

[8] Love never ends; as for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. [9] For our knowledge is imperfect and our prophecy is imperfect; [10] but when the perfect comes, the imperfect will pass away. [11] When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became a man, I gave up childish ways. [12] For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall understand fully, even as I have been fully

understood. [13] So faith, hope, love abide,

GRADUAL

Thou art the God that doest wonders: thou hast declared thy strength among the people. V. Thou hast with thine arm redeemed thy people: the sons of Jacob and

GOSPEL *Luke 18:31-43*

[31] And taking the twelve, he said to them, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and everything that is written of the Son of man by the prophets will be accomplished. [32] For he will be delivered to the Gentiles, and will be mocked and shamefully treated and spit upon; [33] they will scourge him and kill him, and on the third day he will rise." [34] But they understood none of these things; this saying was hid from them, and they did not grasp what was said.

[35] As he drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging; [36] and hearing a multitude going by, he inquired what this meant. [37] They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by." [38]

these three; but the greatest of these is love.

Joseph.

Tract. V. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness.

And he cried, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" [39] And those who were in front rebuked him, telling him to be silent; but he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" [40] And Jesus stopped, and commanded him to be brought to him; and when he came near, he asked him, [41] "What do you want me to do for you?" He said, "Lord, let me receive my sight." [42] And Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has made you well." [43] And immediately he received his sight and followed him, glorifying God; and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.

Ash Wednesday. The First Day of Lent *(Violet)*

¶ When only the Epistle and Gospel are read, the Epistle shall be Joel 2:12-19.

INTROIT

I will cry unto God most High: unto God that performeth all things for me. Yea, in the shadow of thy wings will I make my refuge: until these calamities be overpast.

Ps. Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in thee. Glory be, etc.

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all those who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our

wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

¶ This Collect may also be used on weekdays during Lent.

LESSON *Joel 2:12-19*

[12] "Yet even now," says the LORD, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning;
[13] and rend your hearts and not your garments."
Return to the LORD, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and repents of evil.
[14] Who knows whether he will not turn and repent, and leave a blessing behind him, a cereal offering and a drink offering for the LORD, your God?
[15] Blow the trumpet in Zion; sanctify a fast; call a solemn assembly;
[16] gather the people. Sanctify the congregation; assemble the elders;

gather the children, even nursing infants.
Let the bridegroom leave his room, and the bride her chamber.
[17] Between the vestibule and the altar let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep and say, "Spare thy people, O LORD, and make not thy heritage a reproach, a byword among the nations. Why should they say among the peoples, 'Where is their God?'"
[18] Then the LORD became jealous for his land, and had pity on his people.
[19] The LORD answered and said to his people, "Behold, I am sending to you grain, wine, and oil, and you will be satisfied; and I will no more make you a reproach among the nations.

EPISTLE *1 John 1:5-9*

[5] This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him is no darkness at all. [6] If we say we have fellowship with him while we

walk in darkness, we lie and do not live according to the truth; [7] but if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood

of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. [8] If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. [9] If

Or, Philippians 3:7-12

[7] But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. [8] Indeed I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as refuse, in order that I may gain Christ [9] and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own, based on law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness

GRADUAL

Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in thee. V. He shall send from heaven: and save me from the reproach of him that would swallow me up.

GOSPEL *Matthew 6:16-21*

[16] "And when you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by men. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. [17] But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, [18] that your fasting may not be seen by men but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

from God that depends on faith; [10] that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, [11] that if possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

[12] Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own.

Tract. He hath not dealt with us after our sins: nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. Help us, O God of our salvation; for the glory of thy Name.

[19] "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, [20] but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. [21] For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

Invocabit. The First Sunday in Lent (*Violet*)

INTROIT

He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will deliver him and honor him. With long life will I satisfy him: and show him my salvation. *Ps.* He that dwelleth in

the secret place of the most High: shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

O Lord, mercifully hear our prayer, and stretch forth the right hand of thy majesty to defend us from them that rise up against us; through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Genesis 22:1-14*

[1] After these things God tested Abraham, and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." [2] He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Mori'ah, and offer him there as a burnt offering upon one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." [3] So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; and he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. [4] On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place afar off. [5] Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the ass; I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you." [6] And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid it on Isaac his son; and he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. [7] And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here am I, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood; but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" [8] Abraham said, "God will

provide himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.

[9] When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar, upon the wood. [10] Then Abraham put forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son. [11] But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." [12] He said, "Do not lay your hand on the lad or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." [13] And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns; and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. [14] So Abraham called the name of that place The LORD will provide; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

EPISTLE *2 Corinthians 6:1-10*

[1] Working together with him, then, we entreat you not to accept the grace of God in vain. [2] For he says,

"At the acceptable time I have listened to you,
and helped you on the day of salvation."

Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. [3] We put no obstacle in any one's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, [4] but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, [5] beatings, imprisonments, tumults, labors, watching, hunger; [6] by purity, knowledge, forbearance, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love, [7] truthful speech, and

GRADUAL

For he shall give his angels charge over thee: to keep thee in all thy ways. V. They shall bear thee up in their hands: lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.

GOSPEL *Matthew 4:1-11*

[1] Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. [2] And he fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterward he was hungry. [3] And the tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." [4] But he answered, "It is written,

‘Man shall not live by bread alone,

but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.'"

[5] Then the devil took him to the holy city, and set him on the pinnacle of the temple, [6] and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

‘He will give his angels charge of you,'

the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; [8] in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; [9] as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as punished, and yet not killed; [10] as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

Tract. He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High: shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

and

‘On their hands they will bear you up,

lest you strike your foot against a stone.'"

[7] Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, ‘You shall not tempt the Lord your God.'"

[8] Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and the glory of them; [9] and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." [10] Then Jesus said to him,

"Begone, Satan! for it is written,

‘You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve.'"

[11] Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and ministered to him.

Reminiscere. The Second Sunday in Lent (*Violet*)

INTROIT

Remember, O Lord, thy tender mercies and thy lovingkindnesses: for they have been ever of old. Let not mine enemies triumph over me: redeem Israel, O God, out of all

his troubles. *Ps.* Unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul: O my God, I trust in thee; let me not be ashamed. *Glory be, etc.*

COLLECT

O God, who seest that of ourselves we have no strength: Keep us both outwardly and inwardly; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may

assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Exodus 33:12-23*

[12] Moses said to the LORD, "See, thou sayest to me, 'Bring up this people'; but thou hast not let me know whom thou wilt send with me. Yet thou hast said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' [13] Now therefore, I pray thee, if I have found favor in thy sight, show me now thy ways, that I may know thee and find favor in thy sight. Consider too that this nation is thy people." [14] And he said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." [15] And he said to him, "If thy presence will not go with me, do not carry us up from here. [16] For how shall it be known that I have found favor in thy sight, I and thy people? Is it not in thy going with us, so that we are distinct, I and thy people, from all other people that are upon the face of the earth?"

[17] And the LORD said to Moses, "This very thing that you have spoken I will do; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." [18] Moses said, "I pray thee, show me thy glory." [19] And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you my name 'The LORD'; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. [20] But," he said, "you cannot see my face; for man shall not see me and live." [21] And the LORD said, "Behold, there is a place by me where you shall stand upon the rock; [22] and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; [23] then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen."

EPISTLE 1 *Thessalonians 4:1-7*

[1] Finally, brethren, we beseech and exhort you in the Lord Jesus, that as you learned from us how you ought to live and to please God, just as you are doing, you do so more and more. [2] For you know what instructions we gave you through the Lord Jesus. [3] For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you abstain from unchastity; [4] that each one of you know

how to take a wife for himself in holiness and honor, [5] not in the passion of lust like heathen who do not know God; [6] that no man transgress, and wrong his brother in this matter, because the Lord is an avenger in all these things, as we solemnly forewarned you. [7] For God has not called us for uncleanness, but in holiness.

GRADUAL

The troubles of my heart are enlarged: O bring thou me out of my distresses. V. Look upon mine affliction and my pain:

GOSPEL *Matthew 15:21-28*

[21] And Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. [22] And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and cried, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely possessed by a demon." [23] But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying after us." [24] He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of

and forgive all my sins.

Tract. O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good: for his mercy endureth forever.

Israel." [25] But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." [26] And he answered, "It is not fair to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." [27] She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." [28] Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly.

Oculi. The Third Sunday in Lent (*Violet*)

INTROIT

Mine eyes are ever toward the Lord: for he shall pluck my feet out of the net. Turn thee unto me, and have mercy upon me: for I am desolate and afflicted. *Ps.* Unto thee,

COLLECT

We beseech thee, Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of thy Majesty to be our defence against all

LESSON *Jeremiah 26:1-15*

[1] In the beginning of the reign of Jehoi'akim the son of Josi'ah, king of Judah, this word came from the LORD, [2] "Thus says the LORD: Stand in the court of the LORD's house, and speak to all the cities of Judah which come to worship in the house of the LORD all the words that I command you to speak to them; do not hold back a word. [3] It may be they will listen, and every one turn from his evil way, that I may repent of the evil which I intend to do to them because of their evil doings. [4] You shall say to them, `Thus says the LORD: If you will not listen to me, to walk in my law which I have set before you, [5] and to heed the words of my servants the prophets whom I send to you urgently, though you have not heeded, [6] then I will make this house like Shiloh, and I will make this city a curse for all the nations of the earth."

[7] The priests and the prophets and all the people heard Jeremiah speaking these words in the house of the LORD. [8] And when Jeremiah had finished speaking all that the LORD had commanded him to speak to all the people, then the priests and the prophets and all the people laid hold of him, saying, "You shall die! [9] Why have you prophesied in the name of the LORD, saying, `This house shall be like Shiloh, and

O Lord, do I lift up my soul: O my God, I trust in thee; let me not be ashamed. Glory be, *etc.*

enemies: through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

this city shall be desolate, without inhabitant?" And all the people gathered about Jeremiah in the house of the LORD.

[10] When the princes of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king's house to the house of the LORD and took their seat in the entry of the New Gate of the house of the LORD. [11] Then the priests and the prophets said to the princes and to all the people, "This man deserves the sentence of death, because he has prophesied against this city, as you have heard with your own ears."

[12] Then Jeremiah spoke to all the princes and all the people, saying, "The LORD sent me to prophesy against this house and this city all the words you have heard. [13] Now therefore amend your ways and your doings, and obey the voice of the LORD your God, and the LORD will repent of the evil which he has pronounced against you. [14] But as for me, behold, I am in your hands. Do with me as seems good and right to you. [15] Only know for certain that if you put me to death, you will bring innocent blood upon yourselves and upon this city and its inhabitants, for in truth the LORD sent me to you to speak all these words in your ears."

EPISTLE *Ephesians 5:1-9*

[1] Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. [2] And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

[3] But fornication and all impurity or covetousness must not even be named among you, as is fitting among saints. [4] Let there be no filthiness, nor silly talk, nor levity, which are not fitting; but instead let there be thanksgiving. [5] Be sure of this, that no fornicator or impure man, or one

GRADUAL

Arise, O Lord; let not man prevail: let the heathen be judged in thy sight. V. When mine enemies are turned back: they shall fall and perish at thy presence.

GOSPEL *Luke 11:14-28*

[14] Now he was casting out a demon that was dumb; when the demon had gone out, the dumb man spoke, and the people marveled. [15] But some of them said, "He casts out demons by Be-el'zebul, the prince of demons"; [16] while others, to test him, sought from him a sign from heaven. [17] But he, knowing their thoughts, said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste, and a divided household falls. [18] And if Satan also is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? For you say that I cast out demons by Be-el'zebul. [19] And if I cast out demons by Be-el'zebul, by whom do your sons cast them out? Therefore they shall be your judges. [20] But if it is by the finger of God that I cast out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you. [21] When a strong man, fully armed, guards his own palace, his goods are in peace; [22] but

who is covetous (that is, an idolater), has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. [6] Let no one deceive you with empty words, for it is because of these things that the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. [7] Therefore do not associate with them, [8] for once you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord; walk as children of light [9] (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true).

Tract. Unto thee do I lift up mine eyes, O thou that dwellest in the heavens: have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

when one stronger than he assails him and overcomes him, he takes away his armor in which he trusted, and divides his spoil. [23] He who is not with me is against me, and he who does not gather with me scatters.

[24] "When the unclean spirit has gone out of a man, he passes through waterless places seeking rest; and finding none he says, 'I will return to my house from which I came.' [25] And when he comes he finds it swept and put in order. [26] Then he goes and brings seven other spirits more evil than himself, and they enter and dwell there; and the last state of that man becomes worse than the first."

[27] As he said this, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to him, "Blessed is the womb that bore you, and the breasts that you sucked!" [28] But he said, "Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"

Laetare. The Fourth Sunday in Lent (*Violet*)

INTROIT

Rejoice ye with Jerusalem, and be glad with her: all ye that love her. Rejoice for joy with her: all ye that mourn for her. *Ps.* I was

glad when they said unto me: Let us go into the house of the Lord. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of thy grace may mercifully be relieved;

through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Isaiah 55:1-7*

[1] "Ho, every one who thirsts,
come to the waters;
and he who has no money,
come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.
[2] Why do you spend your money for that
which is not bread,
and your labor for that which does not
satisfy?
Hearken diligently to me, and eat what is
good,
and delight yourselves in fatness.
[3] Incline your ear, and come to me;
hear, that your soul may live;
and I will make with you an everlasting
covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.

[4] Behold, I made him a witness to the
peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.
[5] Behold, you shall call nations that you
know not,
and nations that knew you not shall run to
you,
because of the LORD your God, and of the
Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.
[6] "Seek the LORD while he may be found,
call upon him while he is near;
[7] let the wicked forsake his way,
and the unrighteous man his thoughts;
let him return to the LORD, that he may
have mercy on him,
and to our God, for he will abundantly
pardon.

EPISTLE *Galatians 4:21-5:1a*

[21] Tell me, you who desire to be under law, do you not hear the law? [22] For it is written that Abraham had two sons, one by a slave and one by a free woman. [23] But the son of the slave was born according to the flesh, the son of the free woman through promise. [24] Now this is an allegory: these women are two covenants. One is from Mount Sinai, bearing children for slavery; she is Hagar. [25] Now Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia; she corresponds to the present Jerusalem, for she is in slavery with her children. [26] But the Jerusalem

above is free, and she is our mother. [27] For it is written,
"Rejoice, O barren one who does not bear;
break forth and shout, you who are not in travail;
for the children of the desolate one are many more
than the children of her that is married."
[28] Now we, brethren, like Isaac, are children of promise. [29] But as at that time he who was born according to the flesh persecuted him who was born according to the Spirit, so it is now. [30] But what does

the scripture say? "Cast out the slave and her son; for the son of the slave shall not inherit with the son of the free woman."

GRADUAL

I was glad when they said unto me: Let us go into the house of the Lord. V. Peace be within thy walls: and prosperity within thy palaces.

GOSPEL *John 6:1-15*

[1] After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiber'i-as. [2] And a multitude followed him, because they saw the signs which he did on those who were diseased. [3] Jesus went up on the mountain, and there sat down with his disciples. [4] Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. [5] Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a multitude was coming to him, Jesus said to Philip, "How are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?" [6] This he said to test him, for he himself knew what he would do. [7] Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." [8] One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, [9] "There is a lad here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what are they among so many?" [10] Jesus

[31] So, brethren, we are not children of the slave but of the free woman.

[5:1] For freedom Christ has set us free.

Tract. They that trust in the Lord shall be as Mount Zion: which cannot be removed, but abideth forever.

said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place; so the men sat down, in number about five thousand. [11] Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. [12] And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, that nothing may be lost." [13] So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten. [14] When the people saw the sign which he had done, they said, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world!"

[15] Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

Judica. Passion Sunday (*Violet*)

INTROIT

Judge me, O God: and plead my cause against an ungodly nation. O deliver me from the deceitful and unjust man: for thou art the God of my strength. *Ps.* O send out

thy light and thy truth: let them lead me; let them bring me unto thy holy hill. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

We beseech thee, Almighty God, mercifully to look upon thy people, that by thy great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore, both in body and soul;

through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Numbers 21:4-9*

[4] From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; and the people became impatient on the way. [5] And the people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food." [6] Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. [7] And

the people came to Moses, and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. [8] And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent, and set it on a pole; and every one who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." [9] So Moses made a bronze serpent, and set it on a pole; and if a serpent bit any man, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

EPISTLE *Hebrews 9:11-15*

[11] But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) [12] he entered once for all into the Holy Place, taking not the blood of goats and calves but his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. [13] For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes

of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, [14] how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify your conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

[15] Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.

GRADUAL

Deliver me, O Lord, from mine enemies: teach me to do thy will. *V.* He delivereth me from mine enemies; yea, thou liftest me up above those that rise up against me: thou hast delivered me from the violent

man.

Tract. Many a time they afflicted me from my youth. *V.* May Israel now say: Many a time they afflicted me from my youth. *V.* Yet they have not prevailed against me.

GOSPEL *John 8:46-59*

[46] Which of you convicts me of sin? If I tell the truth, why do you not believe me?

[47] He who is of God hears the words of God; the reason why you do not hear them is that you are not of God."

[48] The Jews answered him, "Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?" [49] Jesus answered, "I have not a demon; but I honor my Father, and you dishonor me. [50] Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is One who seeks it and he will be the judge. [51] Truly, truly, I say to you, if any one keeps my word, he will never see death." [52] The Jews said to him, "Now we know that you have a demon. Abraham died, as did the prophets; and you say, 'If any one keeps my word, he will never taste death.' [53] Are you greater

than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you claim to be?" [54] Jesus answered, "If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing; it is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say that he is your God. [55] But you have not known him; I know him. If I said, I do not know him, I should be a liar like you; but I do know him and I keep his word. [56] Your father Abraham rejoiced that he was to see my day; he saw it and was glad." [57] The Jews then said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?" [58] Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am." [59] So they took up stones to throw at him; but Jesus hid himself, and went out of the temple.

Palmarum. The Sixth Sunday in Lent (*Violet*)

INTROIT

Be not thou far from me, O Lord: O my Strength, haste thee to help me. Save me from the lion's mouth: and deliver me from

the horns of the unicorns. *Ps.* My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me: why art thou so far from helping me? Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast sent thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the Cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may follow the

example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his Resurrection; through the same thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Zechariah 9:9-12*

[9] Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

Lo, your king comes to you;
triumphant and victorious is he,
humble and riding on an ass,
on a colt the foal of an ass.

[10] I will cut off the chariot from E'phraim
and the war horse from Jerusalem;
and the battle bow shall be cut off,
and he shall command peace to the nations;

his dominion shall be from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.
[11] As for you also, because of the blood of
my covenant with you,
I will set your captives free from the
waterless pit.

[12] Return to your stronghold, O prisoners
of hope;
today I declare that I will restore to you
double.

EPISTLE *Philippians 2:5-11*

[5] Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, [6] who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, [7] but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. [8] And being found in human form he humbled himself and became

obedient unto death, even death on a cross. [9] Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, [10] that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, [11] and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

GRADUAL

Thou hast holden me by my right hand: thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and afterward receive me to glory. *V.* Truly God is good to Israel: even to such as are of a clean heart.

Tract. My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me: why art thou so far from helping me? *V.* Our fathers trusted in thee: they cried unto thee and were delivered.

GOSPEL *Matthew 21, 1-9*

[1] And when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Beth'phage, to the Mount of

Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, [2] saying to them, "Go into the village

opposite you, and immediately you will find an ass tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. [3] If any one says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord has need of them,' and he will send them immediately." [4] This took place to fulfil what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

[5] "Tell the daughter of Zion, Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of an ass."

Or, Matthew 26:1-27:66

(The Passion according to St. Matthew)

[1] When Jesus had finished all these sayings, he said to his disciples, [2] "You know that after two days the Passover is coming, and the Son of man will be delivered up to be crucified."

[3] Then the chief priests and the elders of the people gathered in the palace of the high priest, who was called Ca'iaphas, [4] and took counsel together in order to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him. [5] But they said, "Not during the feast, lest there be a tumult among the people."

[6] Now when Jesus was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, [7] a woman came up to him with an alabaster flask of very expensive ointment, and she poured it on his head, as he sat at table. [8] But when the disciples saw it, they were indignant, saying, "Why this waste? [9] For this ointment might have been sold for a large sum, and given to the poor." [10] But Jesus, aware of this, said to them, "Why do you trouble the woman? For she has done a beautiful thing to me. [11] For you always have the poor with you, but you will not always have me. [12] In pouring this ointment on my body she has done it to prepare me for burial. [13] Truly, I say to you, wherever this gospel is preached in the whole world, what she has done will be told in memory of her."

[6] The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; [7] they brought the ass and the colt, and put their garments on them, and he sat thereon. [8] Most of the crowd spread their garments on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. [9] And the crowds that went before him and that followed him shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"

[14] Then one of the twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests [15] and said, "What will you give me if I deliver him to you?" And they paid him thirty pieces of silver. [16] And from that moment he sought an opportunity to betray him.

[17] Now on the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Where will you have us prepare for you to eat the passover?" [18] He said, "Go into the city to a certain one, and say to him, 'The Teacher says, My time is at hand; I will keep the passover at your house with my disciples.'" [19] And the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the passover.

[20] When it was evening, he sat at table with the twelve disciples; [21] and as they were eating, he said, "Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me." [22] And they were very sorrowful, and began to say to him one after another, "Is it I, Lord?" [23] He answered, "He who has dipped his hand in the dish with me, will betray me. [24] The Son of man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born." [25] Judas, who betrayed him, said, "Is it I,

Master?" He said to him, "You have said so."

[26] Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." [27] And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you; [28] for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. [29] I tell you I shall not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

[30] And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. [31] Then Jesus said to them, "You will all fall away because of me this night; for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.' [32] But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee." [33] Peter declared to him, "Though they all fall away because of you, I will never fall away." [34] Jesus said to him, "Truly, I say to you, this very night, before the cock crows, you will deny me three times." [35] Peter said to him, "Even if I must die with you, I will not deny you." And so said all the disciples.

[36] Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to his disciples, "Sit here, while I go yonder and pray." [37] And taking with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, he began to be sorrowful and troubled. [38] Then he said to them, "My soul is very sorrowful, even to death; remain here, and watch with me." [39] And going a little farther he fell on his face and prayed, "My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as thou wilt." [40] And he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "So, could you not watch with me one hour? [41] Watch and pray that you may not enter

into temptation; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." [42] Again, for the second time, he went away and prayed, "My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, thy will be done." [43] And again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. [44] So, leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. [45] Then he came to the disciples and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. [46] Rise, let us be going; see, my betrayer is at hand."

[47] While he was still speaking, Judas came, one of the twelve, and with him a great crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people. [48] Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I shall kiss is the man; seize him." [49] And he came up to Jesus at once and said, "Hail, Master!" And he kissed him. [50] Jesus said to him, "Friend, why are you here?" Then they came up and laid hands on Jesus and seized him. [51] And behold, one of those who were with Jesus stretched out his hand and drew his sword, and struck the slave of the high priest, and cut off his ear. [52] Then Jesus said to him, "Put your sword back into its place; for all who take the sword will perish by the sword. [53] Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? [54] But how then should the scriptures be fulfilled, that it must be so?" [55] At that hour Jesus said to the crowds, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs to capture me? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not seize me. [56] But all this has taken place, that the scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled." Then all the disciples forsook him and fled.

[57] Then those who had seized Jesus led him to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders had gathered. [58] But Peter followed him at a distance, as far as the courtyard of the high priest, and going inside he sat with the guards to see the end. [59] Now the chief priests and the whole council sought false testimony against Jesus that they might put him to death, [60] but they found none, though many false witnesses came forward. At last two came forward [61] and said, "This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God, and to build it in three days.'" [62] And the high priest stood up and said, "Have you no answer to make? What is it that these men testify against you?" [63] But Jesus was silent. And the high priest said to him, "I adjure you by the living God, tell us if you are the Christ, the Son of God." [64] Jesus said to him, "You have said so. But I tell you, hereafter you will see the Son of man seated at the right hand of Power, and coming on the clouds of heaven." [65] Then the high priest tore his robes, and said, "He has uttered blasphemy. Why do we still need witnesses? You have now heard his blasphemy. [66] What is your judgment?" They answered, "He deserves death." [67] Then they spat in his face, and struck him; and some slapped him, [68] saying, "Prophecy to us, you Christ! Who is it that struck you?"

[69] Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. And a maid came up to him, and said, "You also were with Jesus the Galilean." [70] But he denied it before them all, saying, "I do not know what you mean." [71] And when he went out to the porch, another maid saw him, and she said to the bystanders, "This man was with Jesus of Nazareth." [72] And again he denied it with an oath, "I do not know the man." [73] After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter, "Certainly you are also one of

them, for your accent betrays you." [74] Then he began to invoke a curse on himself and to swear, "I do not know the man." And immediately the cock crowed. [75] And Peter remembered the saying of Jesus, "Before the cock crows, you will deny me three times." And he went out and wept bitterly.

[27:1] When morning came, all the chief priests and the elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put him to death; [2] and they bound him and led him away and delivered him to Pilate the governor.

[3] When Judas, his betrayer, saw that he was condemned, he repented and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders, [4] saying, "I have sinned in betraying innocent blood." They said, "What is that to us? See to it yourself." [5] And throwing down the pieces of silver in the temple, he departed; and he went and hanged himself. [6] But the chief priests, taking the pieces of silver, said, "It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, since they are blood money." [7] So they took counsel, and bought with them the potter's field, to bury strangers in. [8] Therefore that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day. [9] Then was fulfilled what had been spoken by the prophet Jeremiah, saying, "And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of him on whom a price had been set by some of the sons of Israel, [10] and they gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord directed me."

[11] Now Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus said, "You have said so." [12] But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he made no answer. [13] Then Pilate said to him, "Do you not hear how many things they testify against you?" [14] But he gave

him no answer, not even to a single charge; so that the governor wondered greatly.

[15] Now at the feast the governor was accustomed to release for the crowd any one prisoner whom they wanted. [16] And they had then a notorious prisoner, called Barab'bas. [17] So when they had gathered, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release for you, Barab'bas or Jesus who is called Christ?" [18] For he knew that it was out of envy that they had delivered him up. [19] Besides, while he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him, "Have nothing to do with that righteous man, for I have suffered much over him today in a dream." [20] Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the people to ask for Barab'bas and destroy Jesus. [21] The governor again said to them, "Which of the two do you want me to release for you?" And they said, "Barab'bas." [22] Pilate said to them, "Then what shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?" They all said, "Let him be crucified." [23] And he said, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Let him be crucified."

[24] So when Pilate saw that he was gaining nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves." [25] And all the people answered, "His blood be on us and on our children!" [26] Then he released for them Barab'bas, and having scourged Jesus, delivered him to be crucified.

[27] Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the praetorium, and they gathered the whole battalion before him. [28] And they stripped him and put a scarlet robe upon him, [29] and plaiting a crown of thorns they put it on his head, and put a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him they mocked him, saying, "Hail,

King of the Jews!" [30] And they spat upon him, and took the reed and struck him on the head. [31] And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the robe, and put his own clothes on him, and led him away to crucify him.

[32] As they went out, they came upon a man of Cyre'ne, Simon by name; this man they compelled to carry his cross. [33] And when they came to a place called Gol'gotha (which means the place of a skull), [34] they offered him wine to drink, mingled with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. [35] And when they had crucified him, they divided his garments among them by casting lots; [36] then they sat down and kept watch over him there. [37] And over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus the King of the Jews." [38] Then two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left. [39] And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads [40] and saying, "You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross." [41] So also the chief priests, with the scribes and elders, mocked him, saying, [42] "He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him. [43] He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he desires him; for he said, 'I am the Son of God.'" [44] And the robbers who were crucified with him also reviled him in the same way.

[45] Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. [46] And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, la'ma sabach-tha'ni?" that is, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" [47] And some of the bystanders hearing it said, "This man is calling Eli'jah." [48] And one of

them at once ran and took a sponge, filled it with vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave it to him to drink. [49] But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Eli'jah will come to save him." [50] And Jesus cried again with a loud voice and yielded up his spirit.

[51] And behold, the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom; and the earth shook, and the rocks were split; [52] the tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised, [53] and coming out of the tombs after his resurrection they went into the holy city and appeared to many. [54] When the centurion and those who were with him, keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were filled with awe, and said, "Truly this was the Son of God!"

[55] There were also many women there, looking on from afar, who had followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering to him; [56] among whom were Mary Mag'dalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of the sons of Zeb'edee.

[57] When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathe'a, named Joseph,

who also was a disciple of Jesus. [58] He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. [59] And Joseph took the body, and wrapped it in a clean linen shroud, [60] and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn in the rock; and he rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb, and departed. [61] Mary Mag'dalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the sepulchre.

[62] Next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate [63] and said, "Sir, we remember how that impostor said, while he was still alive, 'After three days I will rise again.' [64] Therefore order the sepulchre to be made secure until the third day, lest his disciples go and steal him away, and tell the people, 'He has risen from the dead,' and the last fraud will be worse than the first." [65] Pilate said to them, "You have a guard of soldiers; go, make it as secure as you can." [66] So they went and made the sepulchre secure by sealing the stone and setting a guard.

Monday in Holy Week (*Violet*)

INTROIT

Plead my cause, O Lord, with them that strive with me: fight against them that fight against me. Take hold of shield and buckler: and stand up for mine help. *Ps.*

Draw out also the spear, and stop the way against them that persecute me: say unto my soul, I am thy salvation. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty god, that we, who amid so many adversities do fail through our own infirmities, may be restored through the Passion and

Intercession of thine only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Isaiah 50:5-10*

[5] The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious,
I turned not backward.

[6] I gave my back to the smiters,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;

I hid not my face
from shame and spitting.

[7] For the Lord GOD helps me;
therefore I have not been confounded;
therefore I have set my face like a flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;

[8] he who vindicates me is near.
Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together.

Who is my adversary?

Let him come near to me.

[9] Behold, the Lord GOD helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment;
the moth will eat them up.

[10] Who among you fears the LORD
and obeys the voice of his servant,
who walks in darkness
and has no light,
yet trusts in the name of the LORD
and relies upon his God?

EPISTLE 1 *Peter 2:21-24*

[21] For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps. [22] He committed no sin; no guile was found on his lips. [23] When he was reviled, he did not revile in

return; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he trusted to him who judges justly. [24] He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

GRADUAL

Stir up thyself and awake to my judgment: even unto my cause, my God and my Lord. *V.* Draw out also the spear: and stop the way against them that persecute me.

Tract. Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy Name: and deliver us and purge away our sins for thy Name's sake.

GOSPEL *John 12:1-36*

[1] Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Laz'arus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. [2] There they made him a supper; Martha served, and Laz'arus was one of those at table with him. [3] Mary took a pound of costly ointment of pure nard and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped his feet with her hair; and the house was filled with the fragrance of the ointment. [4] But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (he who was to betray him), said, [5] "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" [6] This he said, not that he cared for the poor but because he was a thief, and as he had the money box he used to take what was put into it. [7] Jesus said, "Let her alone, let her keep it for the day of my burial. [8] The poor you always have with you, but you do not always have me."

[9] When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came, not only on account of Jesus but also to see Laz'arus, whom he had raised from the dead. [10] So the chief priests planned to put Laz'arus also to death, [11] because on account of him many of the Jews were going away and believing in Jesus.

[12] The next day a great crowd who had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. [13] So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" [14] And Jesus found a young ass and sat upon it; as it is written,

[15] "Fear not, daughter of Zion;
behold, your king is coming,
sitting on an ass's colt!"

[16] His disciples did not understand this at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that this had been written of him and had been done to him. [17] The crowd that had been with him when he

called Laz'arus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead bore witness. [18] The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. [19] The Pharisees then said to one another, "You see that you can do nothing; look, the world has gone after him."

[20] Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. [21] So these came to Philip, who was from Beth-sa'ida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." [22] Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew went with Philip and they told Jesus. [23] And Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of man to be glorified. [24] Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. [25] He who loves his life loses it, and he who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. [26] If any one serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there shall my servant be also; if any one serves me, the Father will honor him.

[27] "Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? `Father, save me from this hour'? No, for this purpose I have come to this hour. [28] Father, glorify thy name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." [29] The crowd standing by heard it and said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." [30] Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. [31] Now is the judgment of this world, now shall the ruler of this world be cast out; [32] and I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself." [33] He said this to show by what death he was to die. [34] The crowd answered him, "We have heard from the law that the Christ remains for ever. How can you say that the Son of man must be

lifted up? Who is this Son of man?" [35] Jesus said to them, "The light is with you for a little longer. Walk while you have the light, lest the darkness overtake you; he who walks in the darkness does not know

where he goes. [36] While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light."

When Jesus had said this, he departed and hid himself from them.

Tuesday in Holy Week (*Violet*)

INTROIT

God forbid that I should glory: save in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. In him is salvation, life, and resurrection from the dead: by him we are redeemed and set at

liberty. *Ps.* God be merciful unto us, and bless us: and cause his face to shine upon us. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, grant us grace so to contemplate the Passion of our Lord, that we may find therein forgiveness for our sins; through the same thy Son,

Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Jeremiah 11:18-20*

[18] The LORD made it known to me and I knew;

then thou didst show me their evil deeds.

[19] But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter.

I did not know it was against me they devised schemes, saying,

"Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,

let us cut him off from the land of the living,
that his name be remembered no more."
[20] But, O LORD of hosts, who judgest righteously,
who triest the heart and the mind,
let me see thy vengeance upon them,
for to thee have I committed my cause.

EPISTLE *1 Timothy 6:12-14*

[12] Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. [13] In the presence of God who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus who in his

testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, [14] I charge you to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ.

GRADUAL

As for me my clothing was sackcloth: I humbled my soul with fasting; and my prayer returned to mine own bosom. *V.*

Plead my cause, O Lord, with them that strive with me: take hold of shield and buckler, and stand up for mine help.

GOSPEL *John 12:37-50*

[37] Though *Jesus* had done so many signs before them, yet they did not believe in him; [38] it was that the word spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

"Lord, who has believed our report,

and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?"

[39] Therefore they could not believe. For Isaiah again said,

[40] "He has blinded their eyes and hardened their heart,
lest they should see with their eyes and perceive with their heart,
and turn for me to heal them."

[41] Isaiah said this because he saw his glory and spoke of him. [42] Nevertheless many even of the authorities believed in him, but for fear of the Pharisees they did

not confess it, lest they should be put out of the synagogue: [43] for they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God.

[44] And Jesus cried out and said, "He who believes in me, believes not in me but in him who sent me. [45] And he who sees me sees him who sent me. [46] I have come as light into the world, that whoever believes in me may not remain in darkness. [47] If any one hears my sayings and does not keep them, I do not judge him; for I did

Or, Mark 14:1-15:46

(The Passion According to St. Mark)

[1] It was now two days before the Passover and the feast of Unleavened Bread. And the chief priests and the scribes were seeking how to arrest him by stealth, and kill him; [2] for they said, "Not during the feast, lest there be a tumult of the people."

[3] And while he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at table, a woman came with an alabaster flask of ointment of pure nard, very costly, and she broke the flask and poured it over his head. [4] But there were some who said to themselves indignantly, "Why was the ointment thus wasted? [5] For this ointment might have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and given to the poor." And they reproached her. [6] But Jesus said, "Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has done a beautiful thing to me. [7] For you always have the poor with you, and whenever you will, you can do good to them; but you will not always have me. [8] She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for burying. [9] And truly, I say to you, wherever the gospel is preached in the whole world, what she has done will be told in memory of her."

[10] Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. [11] And when they heard it they were glad, and promised to

not come to judge the world but to save the world. [48] He who rejects me and does not receive my sayings has a judge; the word that I have spoken will be his judge on the last day. [49] For I have not spoken on my own authority; the Father who sent me has himself given me commandment what to say and what to speak. [50] And I know that his commandment is eternal life. What I say, therefore, I say as the Father has bidden me."

give him money. And he sought an opportunity to betray him.

[12] And on the first day of Unleavened Bread, when they sacrificed the passover lamb, his disciples said to him, "Where will you have us go and prepare for you to eat the passover?" [13] And he sent two of his disciples, and said to them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, [14] and wherever he enters, say to the householder, 'The Teacher says, Where is my guest room, where I am to eat the passover with my disciples?' [15] And he will show you a large upper room furnished and ready; there prepare for us." [16] And the disciples set out and went to the city, and found it as he had told them; and they prepared the passover.

[17] And when it was evening he came with the twelve. [18] And as they were at table eating, Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me." [19] They began to be sorrowful, and to say to him one after another, "Is it I?" [20] He said to them, "It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the dish with me. [21] For the Son of man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born."

[22] And as they were eating, he took bread, and blessed, and broke it, and gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body."

[23] And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, and they all drank of it. [24] And he said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. [25] Truly, I say to you, I shall not drink again of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

[26] And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. [27] And Jesus said to them, "You will all fall away; for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.' [28] But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee." [29] Peter said to him, "Even though they all fall away, I will not." [30] And Jesus said to him, "Truly, I say to you, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times." [31] But he said vehemently, "If I must die with you, I will not deny you." And they all said the same.

[32] And they went to a place which was called Gethsem'ane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here, while I pray." [33] And he took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be greatly distressed and troubled. [34] And he said to them, "My soul is very sorrowful, even to death; remain here, and watch." [35] And going a little farther, he fell on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. [36] And he said, "Abba, Father, all things are possible to thee; remove this cup from me; yet not what I will, but what thou wilt." [37] And he came and found them sleeping, and he said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not watch one hour? [38] Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." [39] And again he went

away and prayed, saying the same words.

[40] And again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to answer him.

[41] And he came the third time, and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? It is enough; the hour has come; the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. [42] Rise, let us be going; see, my betrayer is at hand."

[43] And immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas came, one of the twelve, and with him a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the scribes and the elders. [44] Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I shall kiss is the man; seize him and lead him away under guard." [45] And when he came, he went up to him at once, and said, "Master!" And he kissed him. [46] And they laid hands on him and seized him. [47] But one of those who stood by drew his sword, and struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his ear. [48] And Jesus said to them, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs to capture me? [49] Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not seize me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled." [50] And they all forsook him, and fled.

[51] And a young man followed him, with nothing but a linen cloth about his body; and they seized him, [52] but he left the linen cloth and ran away naked.

[53] And they led Jesus to the high priest; and all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes were assembled. [54] And Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the guards, and warming himself at the fire. [55] Now the chief priests and the whole council sought testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none. [56] For many bore false witness against him, and their witness

did not agree. [57] And some stood up and bore false witness against him, saying, [58] "We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.'" [59] Yet not even so did their testimony agree. [60] And the high priest stood up in the midst, and asked Jesus, "Have you no answer to make? What is it that these men testify against you?" [61] But he was silent and made no answer. Again the high priest asked him, "Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?" [62] And Jesus said, "I am; and you will see the Son of man seated at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven." [63] And the high priest tore his garments, and said, "Why do we still need witnesses? [64] You have heard his blasphemy. What is your decision?" And they all condemned him as deserving death. [65] And some began to spit on him, and to cover his face, and to strike him, saying to him, "Prophecy!" And the guards received him with blows.

[66] And as Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the maids of the high priest came; [67] and seeing Peter warming himself, she looked at him, and said, "You also were with the Nazarene, Jesus." [68] But he denied it, saying, "I neither know nor understand what you mean." And he went out into the gateway. [69] And the maid saw him, and began again to say to the bystanders, "This man is one of them." [70] But again he denied it. And after a little while again the bystanders said to Peter, "Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean." [71] But he began to invoke a curse on himself and to swear, "I do not know this man of whom you speak." [72] And immediately the cock crowed a second time. And Peter remembered how Jesus had said to him, "Before the cock crows

twice, you will deny me three times." And he broke down and wept.

[15:1] And as soon as it was morning the chief priests, with the elders and scribes, and the whole council held a consultation; and they bound Jesus and led him away and delivered him to Pilate. [2] And Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" And he answered him, "You have said so." [3] And the chief priests accused him of many things. [4] And Pilate again asked him, "Have you no answer to make? See how many charges they bring against you." [5] But Jesus made no further answer, so that Pilate wondered.

[6] Now at the feast he used to release for them one prisoner for whom they asked. [7] And among the rebels in prison, who had committed murder in the insurrection, there was a man called Barab'bas. [8] And the crowd came up and began to ask Pilate to do as he was wont to do for them. [9] And he answered them, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" [10] For he perceived that it was out of envy that the chief priests had delivered him up. [11] But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release for them Barab'bas instead. [12] And Pilate again said to them, "Then what shall I do with the man whom you call the King of the Jews?" [13] And they cried out again, "Crucify him." [14] And Pilate said to them, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify him." [15] So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released for them Barab'bas; and having scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified.

[16] And the soldiers led him away inside the palace (that is, the praetorium); and they called together the whole battalion. [17] And they clothed him in a purple cloak, and plaiting a crown of thorns they put it on him. [18] And they began to salute him, "Hail, King of the Jews!" [19] And they

struck his head with a reed, and spat upon him, and they knelt down in homage to him. [20] And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the purple cloak, and put his own clothes on him. And they led him out to crucify him.

[21] And they compelled a passer-by, Simon of Cyre'ne, who was coming in from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to carry his cross. [22] And they brought him to the place called Gol'gotha (which means the place of a skull). [23] And they offered him wine mingled with myrrh; but he did not take it. [24] And they crucified him, and divided his garments among them, casting lots for them, to decide what each should take. [25] And it was the third hour, when they crucified him. [26] And the inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." [27] And with him they crucified two robbers, one on his right and one on his left. [29] And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads, and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, [30] save yourself, and come down from the cross!" [31] So also the chief priests mocked him to one another with the scribes, saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. [32] Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross, that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also reviled him.

[33] And when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. [34] And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, "E'lo-i, E'lo-i, la'ma sabach-tha'ni?" which means, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken

me?" [35] And some of the bystanders hearing it said, "Behold, he is calling Eli'jah." [36] And one ran and, filling a sponge full of vinegar, put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Eli'jah will come to take him down." [37] And Jesus uttered a loud cry, and breathed his last. [38] And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. [39] And when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that he thus breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was the Son of God!"

[40] There were also women looking on from afar, among whom were Mary Mag'dalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salo'me, [41] who, when he was in Galilee, followed him, and ministered to him; and also many other women who came up with him to Jerusalem.

[42] And when evening had come, since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, [43] Joseph of Arimathe'a, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. [44] And Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he was already dead. [45] And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. [46] And he bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud, and laid him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb.

Wednesday in Holy Week (*Violet*)

INTROIT

At the Name of Jesus every knee shall bow: of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth. For he became obedient unto death, even the death of the

Cross: wherefore he is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. *Ps.* Hear my prayer, O Lord: and let my cry come unto thee. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty god, that we, who for our evil deeds are continually afflicted, may mercifully be relieved by the Passion of thine only-begotten Son, Jesus

Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Isaiah 62:11-63:7*

[11] Behold, the LORD has proclaimed to the end of the earth:

Say to the daughter of Zion,
"Behold, your salvation comes;
behold, his reward is with him,
and his recompense before him."

[12] And they shall be called The holy people,

The redeemed of the LORD;
and you shall be called Sought out,
a city not forsaken.

[63:1] Who is this that comes from Edom,
in crimsoned garments from Bozrah,
he that is glorious in his apparel,
marching in the greatness of his strength?

"It is I, announcing vindication,
mighty to save."

[2] Why is thy apparel red,
and thy garments like his that treads in the
wine press?

[3] "I have trodden the wine press alone,
and from the peoples no one was with me;
I trod them in my anger
and trampled them in my wrath;
their lifeblood is sprinkled upon my

garments,

and I have stained all my raiment.

[4] For the day of vengeance was in my
heart,

and my year of redemption has come.

[5] I looked, but there was no one to help;
I was appalled, but there was no one to
uphold;

so my own arm brought me victory,
and my wrath upheld me.

[6] I trod down the peoples in my anger,
I made them drunk in my wrath,
and I poured out their lifeblood on the
earth."

[7] I will recount the steadfast love of the
LORD,

the praises of the LORD,

according to all that the LORD has granted
us,

and the great goodness to the house of
Israel

which he has granted them according to his
mercy,

according to the abundance of his steadfast
love.

Or, Isaiah 52:13-53:3

[13] Behold, my servant shall prosper,
he shall be exalted and lifted up,
and shall be very high.

[14] As many were astonished at him --
his appearance was so marred, beyond
human semblance,

and his form beyond that of the sons of
men --

[15] so shall he startle many nations;

kings shall shut their mouths because of
him;

for that which has not been told them they

shall see,
and that which they have not heard they
shall understand.

[53:1] Who has believed what we have
heard?

And to whom has the arm of the LORD
been revealed?

[2] For he grew up before him like a young
plant,

EPISTLE *Revelation 1:5b-7*

[5b] To him who loves us and has freed us
from our sins by his blood [6] and made us
a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to
him be glory and dominion for ever and
ever. Amen. [7] Behold, he is coming with

GRADUAL

Hide not thy face from thy servant, for I am
in trouble: hear me speedily. *V.* Save me, O
God, for the waters are come in unto my
soul: I sink in deep mire, where there is no
standing.

GOSPEL *Luke 22:1-23:53*

(The Passion according to St. Luke)

[1] Now the feast of Unleavened Bread
drew near, which is called the Passover. [2]
And the chief priests and the scribes were
seeking how to put him to death; for they
feared the people.

[3] Then Satan entered into Judas called
Iscaiot, who was of the number of the
twelve; [4] he went away and conferred
with the chief priests and officers how he
might betray him to them. [5] And they
were glad, and engaged to give him money.
[6] So he agreed, and sought an
opportunity to betray him to them in the
absence of the multitude.

[7] Then came the day of Unleavened
Bread, on which the passover lamb had to
be sacrificed. [8] So Jesus sent Peter and
John, saying, "Go and prepare the passover
for us, that we may eat it." [9] They said to

and like a root out of dry ground;
he had no form or comeliness that we
should look at him,
and no beauty that we should desire him.

[3] He was despised and rejected by men;
a man of sorrows, and acquainted with
grief;
and as one from whom men hide their faces
he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

the clouds, and every eye will see him,
every one who pierced him; and all tribes of
the earth will wail on account of him. Even
so. Amen.

Tract. Hear my prayer, O Lord: and let my
cry come unto thee. *V.* Thou shalt rise up
and have mercy upon Zion: for the time to
favor her, yea, the set time, is come.

him, "Where will you have us prepare it?"
[10] He said to them, "Behold, when you
have entered the city, a man carrying a jar
of water will meet you; follow him into the
house which he enters, [11] and tell the
householder, 'The Teacher says to you,
Where is the guest room, where I am to eat
the passover with my disciples?' [12] And
he will show you a large upper room
furnished; there make ready." [13] And they
went, and found it as he had told them; and
they prepared the passover.

[14] And when the hour came, he sat at
table, and the apostles with him. [15] And
he said to them, "I have earnestly desired to
eat this passover with you before I suffer;
[16] for I tell you I shall not eat it until it is
fulfilled in the kingdom of God." [17] And
he took a cup, and when he had given

thanks he said, "Take this, and divide it among yourselves; [18] for I tell you that from now on I shall not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." [19] And he took bread, and when he had given thanks he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." [20] And likewise the cup after supper, saying, "This cup which is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. [21] But behold the hand of him who betrays me is with me on the table. [22] For the Son of man goes as it has been determined; but woe to that man by whom he is betrayed!" [23] And they began to question one another, which of them it was that would do this.

[24] A dispute also arose among them, which of them was to be regarded as the greatest. [25] And he said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. [26] But not so with you; rather let the greatest among you become as the youngest, and the leader as one who serves. [27] For which is the greater, one who sits at table, or one who serves? Is it not the one who sits at table? But I am among you as one who serves.

[28] "You are those who have continued with me in my trials; [29] and I assign to you, as my Father assigned to me, a kingdom, [30] that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

[31] "Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you, that he might sift you like wheat, [32] but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail; and when you have turned again, strengthen your brethren." [33] And he said to him, "Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death." [34] He said, "I tell you, Peter, the

cock will not crow this day, until you three times deny that you know me."

[35] And he said to them, "When I sent you out with no purse or bag or sandals, did you lack anything?" They said, "Nothing." [36] He said to them, "But now, let him who has a purse take it, and likewise a bag. And let him who has no sword sell his mantle and buy one. [37] For I tell you that this scripture must be fulfilled in me, 'And he was reckoned with transgressors'; for what is written about me has its fulfilment." [38] And they said, "Look, Lord, here are two swords." And he said to them, "It is enough."

[39] And he came out, and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. [40] And when he came to the place he said to them, "Pray that you may not enter into temptation." [41] And he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, and knelt down and prayed, [42] "Father, if thou art willing, remove this cup from me; nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done." [45] And when he rose from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping for sorrow, [46] and he said to them, "Why do you sleep? Rise and pray that you may not enter into temptation."

[47] While he was still speaking, there came a crowd, and the man called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He drew near to Jesus to kiss him; [48] but Jesus said to him, "Judas, would you betray the Son of man with a kiss?" [49] And when those who were about him saw what would follow, they said, "Lord, shall we strike with the sword?" [50] And one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. [51] But Jesus said, "No more of this!" And he touched his ear and healed him. [52] Then Jesus said to the chief priests and officers of the temple and elders, who had come out against him,

"Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs? [53] When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness."

[54] Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house. Peter followed at a distance; [55] and when they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. [56] Then a maid, seeing him as he sat in the light and gazing at him, said, "This man also was with him." [57] But he denied it, saying, "Woman, I do not know him." [58] And a little later some one else saw him and said, "You also are one of them." But Peter said, "Man, I am not." [59] And after an interval of about an hour still another insisted, saying, "Certainly this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean." [60] But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are saying." And immediately, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed. [61] And the Lord turned and looked at Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times." [62] And he went out and wept bitterly.

[63] Now the men who were holding Jesus mocked him and beat him; [64] they also blindfolded him and asked him, "Prophecy! Who is it that struck you?" [65] And they spoke many other words against him, reviling him.

[66] When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people gathered together, both chief priests and scribes; and they led him away to their council, and they said, [67] "If you are the Christ, tell us." But he said to them, "If I tell you, you will not believe; [68] and if I ask you, you will not answer. [69] But from now on the Son of man shall be seated at the right hand of the power of God." [70] And they all said, "Are you the

Son of God, then?" And he said to them, "You say that I am." [71] And they said, "What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips."

[23:1] Then the whole company of them arose, and brought him before Pilate. [2] And they began to accuse him, saying, "We found this man perverting our nation, and forbidding us to give tribute to Caesar, and saying that he himself is Christ a king." [3] And Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" And he answered him, "You have said so." [4] And Pilate said to the chief priests and the multitudes, "I find no crime in this man." [5] But they were urgent, saying, "He stirs up the people, teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee even to this place."

[6] When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. [7] And when he learned that he belonged to Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him over to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. [8] When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had long desired to see him, because he had heard about him, and he was hoping to see some sign done by him. [9] So he questioned him at some length; but he made no answer. [10] The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. [11] And Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then, arraying him in gorgeous apparel, he sent him back to Pilate. [12] And Herod and Pilate became friends with each other that very day, for before this they had been at enmity with each other.

[13] Pilate then called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people, [14] and said to them, "You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and after examining him before you, behold, I did not find this man guilty of any of your charges against him; [15] neither

did Herod, for he sent him back to us. Behold, nothing deserving death has been done by him; [16] I will therefore chastise him and release him."

[18] But they all cried out together, "Away with this man, and release to us Barab'bas" -- [19] a man who had been thrown into prison for an insurrection started in the city, and for murder. [20] Pilate addressed them once more, desiring to release Jesus; [21] but they shouted out, "Crucify, crucify him!" [22] A third time he said to them, "Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no crime deserving death; I will therefore chastise him and release him." [23] But they were urgent, demanding with loud cries that he should be crucified. And their voices prevailed. [24] So Pilate gave sentence that their demand should be granted. [25] He released the man who had been thrown into prison for insurrection and murder, whom they asked for; but Jesus he delivered up to their will.

[26] And as they led him away, they seized one Simon of Cyre'ne, who was coming in from the country, and laid on him the cross, to carry it behind Jesus. [27] And there followed him a great multitude of the people, and of women who bewailed and lamented him. [28] But Jesus turning to them said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. [29] For behold, the days are coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never gave suck!' [30] Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us'; and to the hills, 'Cover us.' [31] For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

[32] Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. [33] And when they came to the place

which is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on the right and one on the left. [34] And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. [35] And the people stood by, watching; but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" [36] The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him vinegar, [37] and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" [38] There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

[39] One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" [40] But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? [41] And we indeed justly; for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." [42] And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." [43] And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

[44] It was now about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour, [45] while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. [46] Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, "Father, into thy hands I commit my spirit!" And having said this he breathed his last. [47] Now when the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God, and said, "Certainly this man was innocent!" [48] And all the multitudes who assembled to see the sight, when they saw what had taken place, returned home beating their breasts. [49] And all his acquaintances and the women who had followed him from Galilee stood at a distance and saw these things.

[50] Now there was a man named Joseph from the Jewish town of Arimathe'a. He was a member of the council, a good and righteous man, [51] who had not consented to their purpose and deed, and he was looking for the kingdom of God. [52] This

man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. [53] Then he took it down and wrapped it in a linen shroud, and laid him in a rock-hewn tomb, where no one had ever yet been laid.

Thursday in Holy Week (*White*)

INTROIT

God forbid that I should glory, save in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. In him is salvation, life, and resurrection from the dead: by him we are redeemed and set at

liberty. *Ps.* God be merciful unto us, and bless us: and cause his face to shine upon us. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

O Lord God, who hast left unto us in a wonderful Sacrament a memorial of thy Passion: grant, we beseech thee, that we may so partake of this Sacrament of thy Body and Blood, that the fruits of thy

redemption may continually be manifest in us, who livest and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Exodus 12:1-14*

[1] The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, [2] "This month shall be for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. [3] Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month they shall take every man a lamb according to their fathers' houses, a lamb for a household; [4] and if the household is too small for a lamb, then a man and his neighbor next to his house shall take according to the number of persons; according to what each can eat you shall make your count for the lamb. [5] Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old; you shall take it from the sheep or from the goats; [6] and you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, when the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill their lambs in the evening. [7] Then they shall take some of the blood, and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat them. [8] They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it. [9]

Do not eat any of it raw or boiled with water, but roasted, its head with its legs and its inner parts. [10] And you shall let none of it remain until the morning, anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. [11] In this manner you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it in haste. It is the LORD's passover. [12] For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will smite all the first-born in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. [13] The blood shall be a sign for you, upon the houses where you are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall fall upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt.

[14] "This day shall be for you a memorial day, and you shall keep it as a feast to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as an ordinance for ever.

EPISTLE *1 Corinthians 11:20-32*

[20] When you meet together, it is not the Lord's supper that you eat. [21] For in eating, each one goes ahead with his own meal, and one is hungry and another is

drunk. [22] What! Do you not have houses to eat and drink in? Or do you despise the church of God and humiliate those who

have nothing? What shall I say to you? Shall I commend you in this? No, I will not.

[23] For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, [24] and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." [25] In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." [26] For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

GRADUAL

Christ hath humbled himself, and become obedient unto death: even the death of the Cross. V. Wherefore God also hath highly

GOSPEL *John 13:1-15*

[1] Now before the feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. [2] And during supper, when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him, [3] Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, [4] rose from supper, laid aside his garments, and girded himself with a towel. [5] Then he poured water into a basin, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel with which he was girded. [6] He came to Simon Peter; and Peter said to him, "Lord, do you wash my feet?" [7] Jesus answered him, "What I am doing you do not know now, but afterward you will understand." [8] Peter said to him, "You

[27] Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the body and blood of the Lord. [28] Let a man examine himself, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. [29] For any one who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment upon himself. [30] That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some have died. [31] But if we judged ourselves truly, we should not be judged. [32] But when we are judged by the Lord, we are chastened so that we may not be condemned along with the world.

exalted him: and given him a Name which is above every name.

shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no part in me." [9] Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" [10] Jesus said to him, "He who has bathed does not need to wash, except for his feet, but he is clean all over; and you are clean, but not every one of you." [11] For he knew who was to betray him; that was why he said, "You are not all clean."

[12] When he had washed their feet, and taken his garments, and resumed his place, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? [13] You call me Teacher and Lord; and you are right, for so I am. [14] If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. [15] For I have given you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you.

Or, John 6:28-37

[28] Then they said to him, "What must we do, to be doing the works of God?" [29] Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." [30] So they said to him, "Then what sign do you do, that we may see, and believe you? What work do you perform?" [31] Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" [32] Jesus then said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true

bread from heaven. [33] For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven, and gives life to the world." [34] They said to him, "Lord, give us this bread always."

[35] Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; he who comes to me shall not hunger, and he who believes in me shall never thirst. [36] But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. [37] All that the Father gives me will come to me; and him who comes to me I will not cast out.

Good Friday (*Black*)

INTROIT

God forbid that I should glory: save in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. In him is salvation, life, and resurrection from the dead: by him we are redeemed and set at

liberty. *Ps.* God be merciful unto us, and bless us: and cause his face to shine upon us. *Glory be, etc.*

Surely he hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows: he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities. All we like sheep have gone

Or this:

astray: and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. *Ps.* Hear my prayer, O Lord: and let my cry come unto thee. *Glory be, etc.*

COLLECT

Almighty God, we beseech thee graciously to behold this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the

Cross; through the same thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Isaiah 53:4-12*

[4] Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.
[5] But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that made us whole, and with his stripes we are healed.
[6] All we like sheep have gone astray;

we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.
[7] He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is dumb, so he opened not his mouth.
[8] By oppression and judgment he was taken away;

and as for his generation, who considered
that he was cut off out of the land of the
living,
stricken for the transgression of my people?
[9] And they made his grave with the
wicked
and with a rich man in his death,
although he had done no violence,
and there was no deceit in his mouth.
[10] Yet it was the will of the LORD to
bruise him;
he has put him to grief;
when he makes himself an offering for sin,
he shall see his offspring, he shall prolong
his days;
the will of the LORD shall prosper in his

Or, Hosea 6:1-6

[1] "Come, let us return to the LORD; for he
has torn, that he may heal us;
he has stricken, and he will bind us up.
[2] After two days he will revive us;
on the third day he will raise us up,
that we may live before him.
[3] Let us know, let us press on to know the
LORD;
his going forth is sure as the dawn;
he will come to us as the showers,
as the spring rains that water the earth."
[4] What shall I do with you, O E'phraim?

EPISTLE *Revelation 5:1-14*

[1] And I saw in the right hand of him who
was seated on the throne a scroll written
within and on the back, sealed with seven
seals; [2] and I saw a strong angel
proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is
worthy to open the scroll and break its
seals?" [3] And no one in heaven or on earth
or under the earth was able to open the
scroll or to look into it, [4] and I wept much
that no one was found worthy to open the
scroll or to into into it. [5] Then one of the
elders said to me, "Weep not; lo, the Lion of
the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has

hand;
[11] he shall see the fruit of the travail of his
soul and be satisfied;
by his knowledge shall the righteous one,
my servant,
make many to be accounted righteous;
and he shall bear their iniquities.
[12] Therefore I will divide him a portion
with the great,
and he shall divide the spoil with the
strong;
because he poured out his soul to death,
and was numbered with the transgressors;
yet he bore the sin of many,
and made intercession for the transgressors.

What shall I do with you, O Judah?
Your love is like a morning cloud,
like the dew that goes early away.
[5] Therefore I have hewn them by the
prophets,
I have slain them by the words of my
mouth,
and my judgment goes forth as the light.
[6] For I desire steadfast love and not
sacrifice,
the knowledge of God, rather than burnt
offerings.

conquered, so that he can open the scroll
and its seven seals."

[6] And between the throne and the four
living creatures and among the elders, I
saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been
slain, with seven horns and with seven
eyes, which are the seven spirits of God
sent out into all the earth; [7] and he went
and took the scroll from the right hand of
him who was seated on the throne. [8] And
when he had taken the scroll, the four
living creatures and the twenty-four elders
fell down before the Lamb, each holding a
harp, and with golden bowls full of incense,

which are the prayers of the saints; [9] and they sang a new song, saying,

"Worthy art thou to take the scroll and to open its seals,

for thou wast slain and by thy blood didst ransom men for God

from every tribe and tongue and people and nation,

[10] and hast made them a kingdom and priests to our God,

and they shall reign on earth."

[11] Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering

GRADUAL

He was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him;

GOSPEL *John 18:1-19:42*

(The Passion according to St. John)

[1] When Jesus had spoken these words, he went forth with his disciples across the Kidron valley, where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. [2] Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place; for Jesus often met there with his disciples. [3] So Judas, procuring a band of soldiers and some officers from the chief priests and the Pharisees, went there with lanterns and torches and weapons. [4] Then Jesus, knowing all that was to befall him, came forward and said to them, "Whom do you seek?" [5] They answered him, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus said to them, "I am he." Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them. [6] When he said to them, "I am he," they drew back and fell to the ground. [7] Again he asked them, "Whom do you seek?" And they said, "Jesus of Nazareth." [8] Jesus answered, "I told you that I am he; so, if you seek me, let these men go." [9] This was to fulfil the word which he had spoken, "Of those whom thou gavest me I

myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, [12] saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" [13] And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all therein, saying, "To him who sits upon the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might for ever and ever!" [14] And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

and with his stripes we are healed. V. He shall see of the travail of his soul: and shall be satisfied.

lost not one." [10] Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's slave and cut off his right ear. The slave's name was Malchus. [11] Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword into its sheath; shall I not drink the cup which the Father has given me?"

[12] So the band of soldiers and their captain and the officers of the Jews seized Jesus and bound him. [13] First they led him to Annas; for he was the father-in-law of Ca'iaphas, who was high priest that year. [14] It was Ca'iaphas who had given counsel to the Jews that it was expedient that one man should die for the people.

[15] Simon Peter followed Jesus, and so did another disciple. As this disciple was known to the high priest, he entered the court of the high priest along with Jesus, [16] while Peter stood outside at the door. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out and spoke to the maid who kept the door, and brought Peter

in. [17] The maid who kept the door said to Peter, "Are not you also one of this man's disciples?" He said, "I am not." [18] Now the servants and officers had made a charcoal fire, because it was cold, and they were standing and warming themselves; Peter also was with them, standing and warming himself.

[19] The high priest then questioned Jesus about his disciples and his teaching. [20] Jesus answered him, "I have spoken openly to the world; I have always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all Jews come together; I have said nothing secretly. [21] Why do you ask me? Ask those who have heard me, what I said to them; they know what I said." [22] When he had said this, one of the officers standing by struck Jesus with his hand, saying, "Is that how you answer the high priest?" [23] Jesus answered him, "If I have spoken wrongly, bear witness to the wrong; but if I have spoken rightly, why do you strike me?" [24] Annas then sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest.

[25] Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. They said to him, "Are not you also one of his disciples?" He denied it and said, "I am not." [26] One of the servants of the high priest, a kinsman of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked, "Did I not see you in the garden with him?" [27] Peter again denied it; and at once the cock crowed.

[28] Then they led Jesus from the house of Caiaphas to the praetorium. It was early. They themselves did not enter the praetorium, so that they might not be defiled, but might eat the passover. [29] So Pilate went out to them and said, "What accusation do you bring against this man?" [30] They answered him, "If this man were not an evildoer, we would not have handed him over." [31] Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and judge him by your own

law." The Jews said to him, "It is not lawful for us to put any man to death." [32] This was to fulfil the word which Jesus had spoken to show by what death he was to die.

[33] Pilate entered the praetorium again and called Jesus, and said to him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" [34] Jesus answered, "Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?" [35] Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me; what have you done?" [36] Jesus answered, "My kingship is not of this world; if my kingship were of this world, my servants would fight, that I might not be handed over to the Jews; but my kingship is not from the world." [37] Pilate said to him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I have come into the world, to bear witness to the truth. Every one who is of the truth hears my voice." [38] Pilate said to him, "What is truth?"

After he had said this, he went out to the Jews again, and told them, "I find no crime in him. [39] But you have a custom that I should release one man for you at the Passover; will you have me release for you the King of the Jews?" [40] They cried out again, "Not this man, but Barab'bas!" Now Barab'bas was a robber.

[19:1] Then Pilate took Jesus and scourged him. [2] And the soldiers plaited a crown of thorns, and put it on his head, and arrayed him in a purple robe; [3] they came up to him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" and struck him with their hands. [4] Pilate went out again, and said to them, "See, I am bringing him out to you, that you may know that I find no crime in him." [5] So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, "Behold the man!" [6] When the chief

priests and the officers saw him, they cried out, "Crucify him, crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and crucify him, for I find no crime in him." [7] The Jews answered him, "We have a law, and by that law he ought to die, because he has made himself the Son of God." [8] When Pilate heard these words, he was the more afraid; [9] he entered the praetorium again and said to Jesus, "Where are you from?" But Jesus gave no answer. [10] Pilate therefore said to him, "You will not speak to me? Do you not know that I have power to release you, and power to crucify you?" [11] Jesus answered him, "You would have no power over me unless it had been given you from above; therefore he who delivered me to you has the greater sin."

[12] Upon this Pilate sought to release him, but the Jews cried out, "If you release this man, you are not Caesar's friend; every one who makes himself a king sets himself against Caesar." [13] When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called The Pavement, and in Hebrew, Gab'batha. [14] Now it was the day of Preparation of the Passover; it was about the sixth hour. He said to the Jews, "Behold your King!" [15] They cried out, "Away with him, away with him, crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but Caesar." [16] Then he handed him over to them to be crucified.

[17] So they took Jesus, and he went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called the place of a skull, which is called in Hebrew Gol'gotha. [18] There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them. [19] Pilate also wrote a title and put it on the cross; it read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." [20] Many of the Jews read this title, for the place where Jesus was crucified was

near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek. [21] The chief priests of the Jews then said to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The King of the Jews,' but, 'This man said, I am King of the Jews.'" [22] Pilate answered, "What I have written I have written."

[23] When the soldiers had crucified Jesus they took his garments and made four parts, one for each soldier; also his tunic. But the tunic was without seam, woven from top to bottom; [24] so they said to one another, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see whose it shall be." This was to fulfil the scripture,

"They parted my garments among them,
and for my clothing they cast lots."

[25] So the soldiers did this. But standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Mag'dalene. [26] When Jesus saw his mother, and the disciple whom he loved standing near, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son!" [27] Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.

[28] After this Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfil the scripture), "I thirst." [29] A bowl full of vinegar stood there; so they put a sponge full of the vinegar on hyssop and held it to his mouth. [30] When Jesus had received the vinegar, he said, "It is finished"; and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

[31] Since it was the day of Preparation, in order to prevent the bodies from remaining on the cross on the sabbath (for that sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away. [32] So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first, and of the other who had been crucified with him; [33] but when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already

dead, they did not break his legs. [34] But one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water. [35] He who saw it has borne witness -- his testimony is true, and he knows that he tells the truth -- that you also may believe. [36] For these things took place that the scripture might be fulfilled, "Not a bone of him shall be broken." [37] And again another scripture says, "They shall look on him whom they have pierced."

[38] After this Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly, for fear of the Jews, asked Pilate that he might take

OTHER COLLECTS FOR GOOD FRIDAY

Merciful and everlasting God, who hast not spared thine only Son, but delivered him up for us all, that he might bear our sins upon the Cross: Grant that our hearts may

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast willed that thy Son should bear for us the pains of the Cross, that thou mightest remove from us the power of the adversary: Help us so to remember and give thanks for

away the body of Jesus, and Pilate gave him leave. So he came and took away his body. [39] Nicodemus also, who had at first come to him by night, came bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about a hundred pounds' weight. [40] They took the body of Jesus, and bound it in linen cloths with the spices, as is the burial custom of the Jews. [41] Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb where no one had ever been laid. [42] So because of the Jewish day of Preparation, as the tomb was close at hand, they laid Jesus there.

be so fixed with steadfast faith in him that we may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the same thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Or,

our Lord's Passion that we may obtain remission of sin and redemption from everlasting death; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

Saturday in Holy Week – Easter Eve (*Violet/White*)

INTROIT

My soul waiteth for the Lord: more than they that watch for the morning. I wait for the Lord, my soul doth wait: and in his

word do I hope. *Ps.* Out of the depths have I cried unto thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice. *Glory be, etc.*

COLLECT

O God, who didst enlighten this most holy night with the glory of the Lord's Resurrection: Preserve in all thy people the spirit of adoption which thou hast given, so that renewed in body and soul they may

perform unto thee a pure service; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Exodus 13:17-22*

[17] When Pharaoh let the people go, God did not lead them by way of the land of the Philistines, although that was near; for God said, "Lest the people repent when they see war, and return to Egypt." [18] But God led the people round by the way of the wilderness toward the Red Sea. And the people of Israel went up out of the land of Egypt equipped for battle. [19] And Moses took the bones of Joseph with him; for Joseph had solemnly sworn the people of

Israel, saying, "God will visit you; then you must carry my bones with you from here." [20] And they moved on from Succoth, and encamped at Etham, on the edge of the wilderness. [21] And the LORD went before them by day in a pillar of cloud to lead them along the way, and by night in a pillar of fire to give them light, that they might travel by day and by night; [22] the pillar of cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night did not depart from before the people.

EPISTLE *1 Peter 3:17-22*

[17] For it is better to suffer for doing right, if that should be God's will, than for doing wrong. [18] For Christ also died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit; [19] in which he went and preached to the spirits in prison, [20] who formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, during the

building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. [21] Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a clear conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, [22] who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers subject to him.

GRADUAL

My flesh also shall rest in hope: for thou wilt not leave my soul in hell. *V.* Into thy hand I commit my spirit: thou hast

redeemed me, O Lord God of truth. *V.* In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust: let me never be ashamed.

GOSPEL *Matthew 27:57-66*

[57] When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who

also was a disciple of Jesus. [58] He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then

Pilate ordered it to be given to him. [59] And Joseph took the body, and wrapped it in a clean linen shroud, [60] and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn in the rock; and he rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb, and departed. [61] Mary Mag'dalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the sepulchre.

[62] Next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate [63] and said, "Sir, we remember how that impostor

said, while he was still alive, 'After three days I will rise again.' [64] Therefore order the sepulchre to be made secure until the third day, lest his disciples go and steal him away, and tell the people, 'He has risen from the dead,' and the last fraud will be worse than the first." [65] Pilate said to them, "You have a guard of soldiers; go, make it as secure as you can." [66] So they went and made the sepulchre secure by sealing the stone and setting a guard.

Easter Day. The Resurrection of Our Lord (*White*)

I. For an Early Service

INTROIT

He is risen, alleluia: why seek ye the living among the dead? Alleluia. Remember how he spake unto you, alleluia: The Son of Man must be crucified, and the third day rise

again. Alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* Thou hast crowned him with glory and honor: thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

O God, who for our redemption didst give thine only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to suffer death upon the Cross, and by his glorious Resurrection hast delivered us from the power of the enemy: Grant us so to die daily unto sin, that we may evermore

live with him who died and rose again for us; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Isaiah 25:6-9*

[6] On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of fat things, a feast of wine on the lees, of fat things full of marrow, of wine on the lees well refined. [7] And he will destroy on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. [8] He will swallow up death for ever, and the Lord GOD will wipe away

tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth; for the LORD has spoken.

[9] It will be said on that day, "Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

Or, Daniel 3:8-25

[8] Therefore at that time certain Chalde'ans came forward and maliciously accused the Jews. [9] They said to King Nebuchadnezzar, "O king, live for ever! [10] You, O king, have made a decree, that every man who hears the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, bagpipe, and every kind of music, shall fall down and worship the golden image; [11] and whoever does not fall down and worship shall be cast into a burning fiery furnace. [12] There are certain Jews whom you have appointed over the affairs of the province of Babylon: Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed'nego. These men, O king, pay no heed to you; they do not serve your gods or worship the golden image which you have set up."

[13] Then Nebuchadnezzar in furious rage commanded that Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed'nego be brought. Then they brought these men before the king. [14] Nebuchadnezzar said to them, "Is it true, O Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed'nego, that you do not serve my gods or worship the golden image which I have set up? [15] Now if you are ready when you hear the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, bagpipe, and every kind of music, to fall down and worship the image which I have made, well and good; but if you do not worship, you shall immediately be cast into a burning fiery furnace; and who is the god that will deliver you out of my hands?"

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matter. [17] If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace; and he will deliver us out of your hand, O king. [18] But if not, be it known to you, O king, that we will not serve your gods or worship the golden image which you have set up."

[19] Then Nebuchadnezzar was full of fury, and the expression of his face was changed against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. He ordered the furnace heated seven times more than it was wont to be heated. [20] And he ordered certain mighty men of his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, and to cast them into the burning fiery furnace. [21] Then these men were bound in their mantles, their tunics, their hats, and their other

EPISTLE *1 Peter 1:3-9*

[3] Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, [4] and to an inheritance which is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, [5] who by God's power are guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. [6] In this you rejoice, though now for a little while you may have to suffer

GRADUAL

This is the day which the Lord hath made: we will rejoice and be glad in it. *V.* O give thanks unto the Lord for he is good: for his mercy endureth forever.

GOSPEL *John 20:1-18*

[1] Now on the first day of the week Mary Mag'dalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. [2] So she ran, and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and

garments, and they were cast into the burning fiery furnace. [22] Because the king's order was strict and the furnace very hot, the flame of the fire slew those men who took up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. [23] And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, fell bound into the burning fiery furnace.

[24] Then King Nebuchadnezzar was astonished and rose up in haste. He said to his counselors, "Did we not cast three men bound into the fire?" They answered the king, "True, O king." [25] He answered, "But I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they are not hurt; and the appearance of the fourth is like a son of the gods."

various trials, [7] so that the genuineness of your faith, more precious than gold which though perishable is tested by fire, may redound to praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. [8] Without having seen him you love him; though you do not now see him you believe in him and rejoice with unutterable and exalted joy. [9] As the outcome of your faith you obtain the salvation of your souls.

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* Christ our Passover: is sacrificed for us. *V.* Let us keep the feast: with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." [3] Peter then came out with the other disciple, and they went toward the tomb. [4] They both ran, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the

tomb first; [5] and stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. [6] Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb; he saw the linen cloths lying, [7] and the napkin, which had been on his head, not lying with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. [8] Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; [9] for as yet they did not know the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. [10] Then the disciples went back to their homes.

[11] But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb; [12] and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. [13] They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "Because they have taken away my Lord, and I do not

know where they have laid him." [14] Saying this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. [15] Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom do you seek?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." [16] Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rab-bo'ni!" (which means Teacher). [17] Jesus said to her, "Do not hold me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brethren and say to them, I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." [18] Mary Mag'dalene went and said to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

II. For The Service

INTROIT

When I awake, I am still with thee. Alleluia: thou hast laid thine hand upon me. Alleluia. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me: it is high, I cannot attain

unto it. Alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* O Lord, thou hast searched me, and known me: thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Almighty God, who through thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life: We humbly beseech thee, that as thou dost put into our minds good

desires, so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect; through the same, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Daniel 3:8-25*

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EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 5:7-8

[7] Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed. [8] Let us, therefore,

changed against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. He ordered the furnace heated seven times more than it was wont to be heated. [20] And he ordered certain mighty men of his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, and to cast them into the burning fiery furnace. [21] Then these men were bound in their mantles, their tunics, their hats, and their other garments, and they were cast into the burning fiery furnace. [22] Because the king's order was strict and the furnace very hot, the flame of the fire slew those men who took up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. [23] And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, fell bound into the burning fiery furnace.

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[9] It will be said on that day, "Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Or, 1 Corinthians 15:20-26

[20] But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. [21] For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. [22] For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. [23] But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming

those who belong to Christ. [24] Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. [25] For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. [26] The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

GRADUAL

This is the day which the Lord hath made: we will rejoice and be glad in it. V. O give thanks unto the Lord for he is good: for his mercy endureth forever.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Christ our Passover: is sacrificed for us. V. Let us keep the feast: with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Mark 16:1-7*

[1] And when the sabbath was past, Mary Mag'dalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salo'me, bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. [2] And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen. [3] And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?" [4] And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back; -- it was

very large. [5] And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. [6] And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen, he is not here; see the place where they laid him. [7] But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you."

LESSON AT VESPERS *Luke 24:13-25*

[13] That very day two of them were going to a village named Emma'us, about seven miles from Jerusalem, [14] and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. [15] While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. [16] But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. [17] And he said to them, "What is this conversation which you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. [18] Then one of them, named Cle'opas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" [19] And he said to them,

"What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, [20] and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. [21] But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since this happened. [22] Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning [23] and did not find his body; and they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. [24] Some of those who were with us went to the tomb,

and found it just as the women had said; but him they did not see." [25] And he said to them, "O foolish men, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! [26] Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" [27] And beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.

[28] So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He appeared to be going further, [29] but they constrained him, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. [30] When he

was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed, and broke it, and gave it to them. [31] And their eyes were opened and they recognized him; and he vanished out of their sight. [32] They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the scriptures?" [33] And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven gathered together and those who were with them, [34] who said, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" [35] Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

OTHER EASTER COLLECTS

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we who celebrate thy Paschal Feast, kindled with heavenly desires, may ever thirst for the fountain of life, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we who celebrate the solemnities of the Lord's Resurrection, may by the renewal of thy Holy Spirit rise again from the death of the soul; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Monday after Easter (*White*)

INTROIT

When I awake, I am still with thee. Alleluia: thou hast laid thine hand upon me. Alleluia. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me: it is high, I cannot attain

unto it. Alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* O Lord, thou hast searched me, and known me: thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Almighty God, who through thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life: We humbly beseech thee, that as thou dost put into our minds good

desires, so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect; through the same, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Exodus 15:1-18*

[1] Then Moses and the people of Israel sang this song to the LORD, saying, "I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.

[2] The LORD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him. [3] The LORD is a man of war; the LORD is his name.

[4] "Pharaoh's chariots and his host he cast into the sea;
and his picked officers are sunk in the Red Sea.

[5] The floods cover them;
they went down into the depths like a stone.

[6] Thy right hand, O LORD, glorious in power,
thy right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy.

[7] In the greatness of thy majesty thou overthrowest thy adversaries;
thou sendest forth thy fury, it consumes them like stubble.

[8] At the blast of thy nostrils the waters piled up,
the floods stood up in a heap;
the deeps congealed in the heart of the sea.

[9] The enemy said, 'I will pursue, I will overtake,
I will divide the spoil, my desire shall have its fill of them.
I will draw my sword, my hand shall destroy them.'

[10] Thou didst blow with thy wind, the sea covered them;
they sank as lead in the mighty waters.

[11] "Who is like thee, O LORD, among the gods?"

EPISTLE *Acts 10:34-43*

[34] And Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I perceive that God shows no partiality, [35] but in every nation any one who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. [36] You know the word which he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace by Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), [37] the word which was proclaimed throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism which John preached: [38] how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and

Who is like thee, majestic in holiness,
terrible in glorious deeds, doing wonders?
[12] Thou didst stretch out thy right hand,
the earth swallowed them.

[13] "Thou hast led in thy steadfast love
the people whom thou hast redeemed,
thou hast guided them by thy strength to
thy holy abode.

[14] The peoples have heard, they tremble;
pangs have seized on the inhabitants of
Philistia.

[15] Now are the chiefs of Edom dismayed;
the leaders of Moab, trembling seizes them;
all the inhabitants of Canaan have melted
away.

[16] Terror and dread fall upon them;
because of the greatness of thy arm, they
are as still as a stone,
till thy people, O LORD, pass by,
till the people pass by whom thou hast
purchased.

[17] Thou wilt bring them in, and plant
them on thy own mountain,
the place, O LORD, which thou hast made
for thy abode,
the sanctuary, LORD, which thy hands
have established.

[18] The LORD will reign for ever and
ever."

healing all that were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. [39] And we are witnesses to all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; [40] but God raised him on the third day and made him manifest; [41] not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. [42] And he commanded us to preach to the people, and to testify that he is the one ordained by God to be judge of the living and the dead. [43]

To him all the prophets bear witness that every one who believes in him receives

GRADUAL

This is the day which the Lord hath made: we will rejoice and be glad in it. V. O give thanks unto the Lord for he is good: for his mercy endureth forever.

GOSPEL *Luke 24:13-35*

[13] That very day two of them were going to a village named Emma'us, about seven miles from Jerusalem, [14] and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. [15] While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. [16] But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. [17] And he said to them, "What is this conversation which you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. [18] Then one of them, named Cle'opas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" [19] And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, [20] and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. [21] But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since this happened. [22] Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning [23] and did not find his body; and they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. [24] Some of those who were with us went to the tomb,

forgiveness of sins through his name."

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Christ our Passover: is sacrificed for us. V. Let us keep the feast: with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

and found it just as the women had said; but him they did not see." [25] And he said to them, "O foolish men, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! [26] Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" [27] And beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.

[28] So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He appeared to be going further, [29] but they constrained him, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. [30] When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed, and broke it, and gave it to them. [31] And their eyes were opened and they recognized him; and he vanished out of their sight. [32] They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the scriptures?" [33] And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven gathered together and those who were with them, [34] who said, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" [35] Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Quasi Modo Geniti. The First Sunday after Easter (*White*)

INTROIT

As newborn babes, alleluia: desire the sincere milk of the Word, alleluia. Hear, O my people, and I will testify unto thee: O Israel, if thou wilt hearken unto me.

COLLECT

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we who have celebrated the solemnities of the Lord's Resurrection may, by the help of thy grace, bring forth the fruits thereof in

LESSON *Genesis 32:22-30*

[22] The same night *Jacob* arose and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the *Jabbok*. [23] He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. [24] And *Jacob* was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. [25] When the man saw that he did not prevail against *Jacob*, he touched the hollow of his thigh; and *Jacob's* thigh was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. [26] Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But *Jacob*

EPISTLE 1 *John 5:4-12*

[4] For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is the victory that overcomes the world, our faith. [5] Who is it that overcomes the world but he who believes that *Jesus* is the Son of God?

[6] This is he who came by water and blood, *Jesus Christ*, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. [7] And the Spirit is the witness, because the Spirit is the truth. [8] There are three witnesses, the Spirit, the water, and the blood; and these three agree. [9] If we receive the

GRADUAL

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* The angel of the Lord descended from heaven: he came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* Sing aloud unto God our strength: make a joyful noise unto the God of *Jacob*. Glory be, *etc.*

our life and conversation; through the same thy Son, *Jesus Christ* our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." [27] And he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "*Jacob*." [28] Then he said, "Your name shall no more be called *Jacob*, but *Israel*, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed." [29] Then *Jacob* asked him, "Tell me, I pray, your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. [30] So *Jacob* called the name of the place *Peni'el*, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved."

testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has borne witness to his Son. [10] He who believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. He who does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne to his Son. [11] And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. [12] He who has the Son has life; he who has not the Son of God has not life.

it.

Alleluia. *V.* After eight days came *Jesus*, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst

of his disciples: and saith unto the, Peace be

GOSPEL *John 20:19-31*

[19] On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." [20] When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. [21] Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you." [22] And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. [23] If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

[24] Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. [25] So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the print of the nails, and place my finger in the

unto you. Alleluia.

mark of the nails, and place my hand in his side, I will not believe."

[26] Eight days later, his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. The doors were shut, but Jesus came and stood among them, and said, "Peace be with you." [27] Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side; do not be faithless, but believing." [28] Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" [29] Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe."

[30] Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; [31] but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name.

Misericordia Domini. The Second Sunday after Easter (*White*)

INTROIT

The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord, alleluia: by the word of the Lord were the heavens made. Alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.*

Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous: for praise is comely for the upright. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

God, who, by the humiliation of thy Son, didst raise up the fallen world: Grant unto thy faithful ones perpetual gladness, and those whom thou hast delivered from the danger of everlasting death, do thou make

partakers of eternal joys; through the same thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Ezekiel 34:11-16*

[11] "For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. [12] As a shepherd seeks out his flock when some of his sheep have been scattered abroad, so will I seek out my sheep; and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. [13] And I will bring them out from the peoples, and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the fountains, and in all the inhabited places of

the country. [14] I will feed them with good pasture, and upon the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on fat pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. [15] I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD. [16] I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the crippled, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will watch over; I will feed them in justice.

EPISTLE *1 Peter 2:21b-25*

[21b] Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps. [22] He committed no sin; no guile was found on his lips. [23] When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he trusted to him who judges justly. [24] He

himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. [25] For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Guardian of your souls.

GRADUAL

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* Then was the Lord Jesus known of the disciples: in the breaking of the bread.

Alleluia. *V.* I am the Good Shepherd: and know my sheep, and am known of mine. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *John 10:11-16*

[11] I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. [12] He who is a hireling and not a

shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees; and the wolf snatches them and

scatters them. [13] He flees because he is a hireling and cares nothing for the sheep. [14] I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, [15] as the Father knows me and I know the Father;

and I lay down my life for the sheep. [16] And I have other sheep, that are not of this fold; I must bring them also, and they will heed my voice. So there shall be one flock, one shepherd.

Jubilate. The Third Sunday After Easter (*White*)

INTROIT

Make a joyful noise unto God, all ye lands, alleluia: sing forth the honor of his Name, alleluia; make his praise glorious. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* Say unto God, How

terrible art thou in thy works: through the greatness of thy power shall thine enemies submit themselves unto thee. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Almighty God, who showest to them that be in error the light of thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness: Grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion that that may eschew those things

that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Isaiah 40:25-31*

[25] To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One.

[26] Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these?

He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name; by the greatness of his might, and because he is strong in power not one is missing.

[27] Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hid from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"? [28] Have you not known? Have you not

heard?

The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He does not faint or grow weary, his understanding is unsearchable.

[29] He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength.

[30] Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted;

[31] but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

EPISTLE *1 Peter 2:11-20*

[11] Beloved, I beseech you as aliens and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh that wage war against your soul. [12] Maintain good conduct among the Gentiles, so that in case they speak against you as wrongdoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.

[13] Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether it be to the emperor as supreme, [14] or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to praise those who do

right. [15] For it is God's will that by doing right you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish men. [16] Live as free men, yet without using your freedom as a pretext for evil; but live as servants of God. [17] Honor all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the emperor.

[18] Servants, be submissive to your masters with all respect, not only to the kind and gentle but also to the overbearing. [19] For one is approved if, mindful of God, he endures pain while suffering unjustly.

[20] For what credit is it, if when you do wrong and are beaten for it you take it patiently? But if when you do right and

GRADUAL

Alleluia, alleluia. V. The Lord hath sent redemption: unto his people.

Alleluia. V. It behooved Christ to suffer,

GOSPEL *John 16:16-22*

[16] "A little while, and you will see me no more; again a little while, and you will see me." [17] Some of his disciples said to one another, "What is this that he says to us, 'A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me'; and, 'because I go to the Father'?" [18] They said, "What does he mean by 'a little while'? We do not know what he means." [19] Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him; so he said to them, "Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, 'A little while, and you will not see me, and again a

suffer for it you take it patiently, you have God's approval.

and to rise from the dead: and thus to enter into his glory. Alleluia.

little while, and you will see me'? [20] Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice; you will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. [21] When a woman is in travail she has sorrow, because her hour has come; but when she is delivered of the child, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a child is born into the world. [22] So you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.

Cantate. The Fourth Sunday after Easter (*White*)

INTROIT

O Sing unto the Lord a new song, alleluia: for he hath done marvellous things, alleluia. The Lord hath made known his salvation: his righteousness hath he openly

showed in the sight of the heathen. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* His right hand, and his holy arm: hath gotten him the victory. *Glory be, etc.*

COLLECT

O God, who makest the minds of the faithful to be of one will: Grant unto thy people that they may love what thou commandest, and desire what thou dost promise; that, among the manifold changes

of this world, our hearts may there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Isaiah 29:9-14*

[9] Stupefy yourselves and be in a stupor, blind yourselves and be blind!

Be drunk, but not with wine; stagger, but not with strong drink!

[10] For the LORD has poured out upon you

a spirit of deep sleep, and has closed your eyes, the prophets, and covered your heads, the seers.

[11] And the vision of all this has become to you like the words of a book that is sealed. When men give it to one who can read, saying, "Read this," he says, "I cannot, for it is sealed." [12] And when they give the book to one who cannot read, saying, "Read this," he says, "I cannot read."

[13] And the Lord said:

"Because this people draw near with their mouth

and honor me with their lips, while their hearts are far from me, and their fear of me is a commandment of men learned by rote;

[14] therefore, behold, I will again do marvelous things with this people, wonderful and marvelous;

and the wisdom of their wise men shall perish,

and the discernment of their discerning men shall be hid."

EPISTLE *James 1:17-21*

[17] Every good endowment and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.

[18] Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth that we should be a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

[19] Know this, my beloved brethren. Let

every man be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger, [20] for the anger of man does not work the righteousness of God.

[21] Therefore put away all filthiness and rank growth of wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

GRADUAL

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* The right hand of the Lord is exalted: the right hand of the Lord

doeth valiantly.

Alleluia. *V.* Christ, being raised from the

dead, dieth no more: death hath no more

GOSPEL *John 16:4b-15*

[4b] "I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. [5] But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' [6] But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. [7] Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Counselor will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. [8] And when he comes, he will convince the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: [9] concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; [10] concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father,

dominion over him. Alleluia.

and you will see me no more; [11] concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

[12] "I have yet many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. [13] When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. [14] He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. [15] All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

Rogate. The Fifth Sunday after Easter (*White*)

INTROIT

With a voice of singing declare ye, and tell this, alleluia; utter it even to the end of the earth: The Lord hath redeemed his servant Jacob. Alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* Make a joyful

noise unto God, all ye lands: sing forth the honor of his Name; make his praise glorious. Glory be, etc. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

O God, from whom all good things do come: Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be right, and by thy merciful

guiding may perform the same; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Isaiah 55:6-11*

[6] "Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near;

[7] let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

[8] For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, says the LORD.

[9] For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways

and my thoughts than your thoughts.

[10] "For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and return not thither but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,

[11] so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and prosper in the thing for which I sent it.

EPISTLE *James 1:22-27*

[22] But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. [23] For if any one is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who observes his natural face in a mirror; [24] for he observes himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. [25] But he who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer that forgets but

a doer that acts, he shall be blessed in his doing.

[26] If any one thinks he is religious, and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this man's religion is vain. [27] Religion that is pure and undefiled before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

GRADUAL

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* It behooved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead: and thus to enter into his glory.

Alleluia. *V.* I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again I leave the world, and go to the Father. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *John 16:23b-30*

[23b] Truly, truly, I say to you, if you ask anything of the Father, he will give it to you in my name. [24] Hitherto you have asked nothing in my name; ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

[25] "I have said this to you in figures; the hour is coming when I shall no longer speak to you in figures but tell you plainly of the Father. [26] In that day you will ask in my name; and I do not say to you that I shall pray the Father for you; [27] for the

Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from the Father. [28] I came from the Father and have come into the world; again, I am leaving the world and going to the Father."

[29] His disciples said, "Ah, now you are speaking plainly, not in any figure! [30] Now we know that you know all things, and need none to question you; by this we believe that you came from God."

The Ascension of Our Lord (*White*)

INTROIT

Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? Alleluia. This same Jesus which is taken up from you into heaven: shall so come in like manner as ye have

seen him go into heaven. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* O clap your hands, all ye people: shout unto God with the voice of triumph. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that like as we do believe thy only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, to have ascended into heaven; so may we also in heart and

mind thither ascend, and with him continually dwell; who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

O King of Glory, Lord of Hosts, who didst this day ascend in triumph far above all heavens: We beseech thee leave us not comfortless, but send to us the Spirit of

Or,

Truth, promised of the Father; who livest and reignest with the Father and the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

LESSON *2 Kings 2:9-15*

[9] When they had crossed, Eli'jah said to Eli'sha, "Ask what I shall do for you, before I am taken from you." And Eli'sha said, "I pray you, let me inherit a double share of your spirit." [10] And he said, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it shall be so for you; but if you do not see me, it shall not be so." [11] And as they still went on and talked, behold, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them. And Eli'jah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. [12] And Eli'sha saw it and he cried, "My father, my father! the chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" And he saw him no more.

Then he took hold of his own clothes and rent them in two pieces. [13] And he took up the mantle of Eli'jah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. [14] Then he took the mantle of Eli'jah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, "Where is the LORD, the God of Eli'jah?" And when he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other; and Eli'sha went over.

[15] Now when the sons of the prophets who were at Jericho saw him over against them, they said, "The spirit of Eli'jah rests on Eli'sha." And they came to meet him, and bowed to the ground before him.

Or, Genesis 5:21-24

[21] When Enoch had lived sixty-five years, he became the father of Methu'selah. [22] Enoch walked with God after the birth of Methu'selah three hundred years, and had

other sons and daughters. [23] Thus all the days of Enoch were three hundred and sixty-five years. [24] Enoch walked with God; and he was not, for God took him.

EPISTLE *Acts 1:1-11*

[1] In the first book, O The-oph'ilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, [2] until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commandment

through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. [3] To them he presented himself alive after his passion by many proofs, appearing to them during

forty days, and speaking of the kingdom of God. [4] And while staying with them he charged them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "you heard from me, [5] for John baptized with water, but before many days you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

[6] So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" [7] He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has fixed by his own authority. [8] But you shall receive

GRADUAL

Alleluia, alleluia. V. God is gone up with a shout: the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

GOSPEL *Mark 16:14-20*

[14] Afterward he appeared to the eleven themselves as they sat at table; and he upbraided them for their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they had not believed those who saw him after he had risen. [15] And he said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to the whole creation. [16] He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned. [17] And these signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will cast out demons; they will speak in

** Note: Italic type as in Revised Standard Version.*

power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Sama'ria and to the end of the earth." [9] And when he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. [10] And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, [11] and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Alleluia. V. Thou hast ascended on high: thou hast led captivity captive. Alleluia.

new tongues; [18] they will pick up serpents, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not hurt them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover."

*[19] So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God. [20] And they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the message by the signs that attended it. Amen.**

Exaudi. The Sunday after the Ascension (*White*)

INTROIT

Hear, O Lord, when I cry with my voice,
alleluia: when thou saidst, Seek ye my face;
my heart said unto thee, Thy face, Lord,
will I seek. Hide not thy face from me,

alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* The Lord is my light
and my salvation: whom shall I fear? Glory
be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Almighty, everlasting God, make us to
have always a devout will towards thee,
and to serve thy Majesty with a pure heart;
through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee in the
unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and
ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Isaiah 32:14-20*

[14] For the palace will be forsaken,
the populous city deserted;
the hill and the watchtower
will become dens for ever,
a joy of wild asses,
a pasture of flocks;
[15] until the Spirit is poured upon us from
on high,
and the wilderness becomes a fruitful field,
and the fruitful field is deemed a forest.
[16] Then justice will dwell in the
wilderness,
and righteousness abide in the fruitful field.
[17] And the effect of righteousness will be

peace,
and the result of righteousness, quietness
and trust for ever.

[18] My people will abide in a peaceful
habitation,
in secure dwellings, and in quiet resting
places.

[19] And the forest will utterly go down,
and the city will be utterly laid low.

[20] Happy are you who sow beside all
waters,
who let the feet of the ox and the ass range
free.

EPISTLE *1 Peter 4:7b-11*

[7b] Therefore keep sane and sober for your
prayers. [8] Above all hold unfailing your
love for one another, since love covers a
multitude of sins. [9] Practice hospitality
ungrudgingly to one another. [10] As each
has received a gift, employ it for one
another, as good stewards of God's varied

grace: [11] whoever speaks, as one who
utters oracles of God; whoever renders
service, as one who renders it by the
strength which God supplies; in order that
in everything God may be glorified through
Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and
dominion for ever and ever. *Amen.*

GRADUAL

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* God reigneth over the
heathen: God sitteth upon the throne of his
holiness.

Alleluia. *V.* I will not leave you
comfortless: I go, and I will come again to
you, and your heart shall rejoice.

GOSPEL *John 15:26-16:4a*

[26] But when the Counselor comes, whom
I shall send to you from the Father, even the

Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the
Father, he will bear witness to me; [27] and

you also are witnesses, because you have been with me from the beginning.

[16:1] "I have said all this to you to keep you from falling away. [2] They will put you out of the synagogues; indeed, the hour is coming when whoever kills you will

think he is offering service to God. [3] And they will do this because they have not known the Father, nor me. [4a] But I have said these things to you, that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you of them.

The Day of Pentecost. Whitsunday *(Red)*

INTROIT

The Spirit of the Lord filleth the world, alleluia: let the righteous be glad, let the rejoice before God; yea, let them exceedingly rejoice. Alleluia, alleluia,

alleluia. *Ps.* Let God arise, let his enemies be scattered: let them also that hate him flee before him. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

O God, who didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort;

through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Joel 2:28-32*

[28] "And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions.

[29] Even upon the menservants and maidservants in those days, I will pour out my spirit.

[30] "And I will give portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire

and columns of smoke. [31] The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the LORD comes. [32] And it shall come to pass that all who call upon the name of the LORD shall be delivered; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the LORD has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the LORD calls.

EPISTLE *Acts 2:1-11*

[1] When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. [2] And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. [3] And there appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting on each one of them. [4] And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

[5] Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. [6] And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one heard them

speaking in his own language. [7] And they were amazed and wondered, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? [8] And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? [9] Par'thians and Medes and E'lamites and residents of Mesopota'mia, Judea and Cappado'cia, Pontus and Asia, [10] Phryg'ia and Pamphyl'ia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyre'ne, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, [11] Cretans and Arabians, we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God."

GRADUAL

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* Thou sendest forth thy

Spirit, they are created: and thou renewest

the face of the earth.
Alleluia. V. Come, Holy Ghost, fill the

GOSPEL *John 14:23-31a*

[23] Jesus answered him, "If a man loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. [24] He who does not love me does not keep my words; and the word which you hear is not mine but the Father's who sent me.

[25] "These things I have spoken to you, while I am still with you. [26] But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. [27] Peace I leave with you; my peace I give

LESSON AT VESPERS *Acts 2:14-21*

[14] But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. [15] For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day; [16] but this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: [17] 'And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams;

hearts of the faithful: and kindle in them the fire of thy love.

to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. [28] You heard me say to you, 'I go away, and I will come to you.' If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I go to the Father; for the Father is greater than I. [29] And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place, you may believe. [30] I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no power over me; [31a] but I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father.

[18] yea, and on my menservants and my maidservants in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. [19] And I will show wonders in the heaven above and signs on the earth beneath, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; [20] the sun shall be turned into darkness and the moon into blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and manifest day. [21] And it shall be that whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Monday after Pentecost (Red)

INTROIT

The Spirit of the Lord filleth the world, alleluia: let the righteous be glad, let the rejoice before God; yea, let them exceedingly rejoice. Alleluia, alleluia,

alleluia. *Ps.* Let God arise, let his enemies be scattered: let them also that hate him flee before him. *Glory be, etc.*

COLLECT

O God, who didst give thy Holy Spirit to thine Apostles: Grant unto thy people the

performance of their petitions, so that on us to whom thou hast given faith, thou mayest

also bestow peace; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth

LESSON *Isaiah 57:15-21*

[15] For thus says the high and lofty One who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: "I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite. [16] For I will not contend for ever, nor will I always be angry; for from me proceeds the spirit, and I have made the breath of life. [17] Because of the iniquity of his covetousness I was angry, I smote him, I hid my face and was angry; but he went on backsliding in the way of his own heart.

EPISTLE *Acts 10:42-48a*

[42] And he commanded us to preach to the people, and to testify that he is the one ordained by God to be judge of the living and the dead. [43] To him all the prophets bear witness that every one who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

[44] While Peter was still saying this, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. [45] And the believers from among the

GRADUAL

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* Thou sendest forth thy Spirit, they are created: and thou renewest the face of the earth.

GOSPEL *John 3:16-21*

[16] For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. [17] For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. [18] He

with thee in the unity of the same Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

[18] I have seen his ways, but I will heal him; I will lead him and requite him with comfort, creating for his mourners the fruit of the lips.

[19] Peace, peace, to the far and to the near, says the LORD; and I will heal him.

[20] But the wicked are like the tossing sea; for it cannot rest, and its waters toss up mire and dirt.

[21] There is no peace, says my God, for the wicked."

circumcised who came with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles. [46] For they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, [47] "Can any one forbid water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" [48a] And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

Alleluia. *V.* Come, Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of the faithful: and kindle in them the fire of thy love.

who believes in him is not condemned; he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. [19] And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather

than light, because their deeds were evil.
[20] For every one who does evil hates the
light, and does not come to the light, lest his
deeds should be exposed. [21] But he who

does what is true comes to the light, that it
may be clearly seen that his deeds have
been wrought in God.

Trinity Sunday. The Octave of Pentecost *(White)*

INTROIT

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, and the undivided Unity: let us give glory to him because he hath shown his mercy to us. *Ps.*

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of Hosts: of him, and through him, and to him, are all

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast given unto us thy servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the

LESSON *Isaiah 6:1-8*

[1] In the year that King Uzzi'ah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. [2] Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. [3] And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

[4] And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. [5] And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

EPISTLE *Romans 11:33-36*

[33] O the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

[34] "For who has known the mind of the Lord,

GRADUAL

Blessed art thou, O Lord, who beholdest the deep: and who dwellest between the Cherubim. *V.* Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven: and greatly to be

O Lord our Lord: how excellent is thy Name in all the earth. Glory be, *etc.*

Or,

things. *Ps.* O Lord our Lord: how excellent is thy Name in all the earth. Glory be, *etc.*

Unity: We beseech thee, that thou wouldest keep us steadfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities; who livest and reignest, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

[6] Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. [7] And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven."

[8] And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

or who has been his counselor?"

[35] "Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?"

[36] For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory for ever. *Amen.*

praised, and glorified, and highly exalted forever.

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* Blessed art thou, O Lord God of our fathers: and greatly to be

praised and glorified forever. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Matthew 28:18-20*

[18] And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. [19] Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and

[1] Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicode'mus, a ruler of the Jews. [2] This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." [3] Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of God." [4] Nicode'mus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" [5] Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. [6] That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

[7] Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' [8] The wind blows

of the Holy Spirit, [20] teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age."

Or, John 3:1-15

where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." [9] Nicode'mus said to him, "How can this be?" [10] Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? [11] Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. [12] If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? [13] No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. [14] And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, [15] that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

The First Sunday after Trinity (*Green*)

INTROIT

O Lord, I have trusted in thy mercy: my heart shall rejoice in thy salvation. I will sing unto the Lord: because he hath dealt

bountifully with me. *Ps.* How long wilt thou forget me, O Lord: how long wilt thou hide thy face from me? *Glory be, etc.*

COLLECT

O God, the strength of all them that put their trust in thee: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without thee, grant us the help of thy grace, that in keeping thy commandments

we may please thee, both in will and deed; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Deuteronomy 6:4-13*

[4] "Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD; [5] and you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. [6] And these words which I command you this day shall be upon your heart; [7] and you shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. [8] And you shall bind them as a sign upon your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. [9] And you shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

[10] "And when the LORD your God brings you into the land which he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give you, with great and goodly cities, which you did not build, [11] and houses full of all good things, which you did not fill, and cisterns hewn out, which you did not hew, and vineyards and olive trees, which you did not plant, and when you eat and are full, [12] then take heed lest you forget the LORD, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. [13] You shall fear the LORD your God; you shall serve him, and swear by his name.

EPISTLE *1 John 4:16b-21*

[16b] God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. [17] In this is love perfected with us, that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because as he is so are we in this world. [18] There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and he who fears is not

perfected in love. [19] We love, because he first loved us. [20] If any one says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen. [21] And this commandment we have from him, that he who loves God should love his brother also.

GRADUAL

I said, Lord, be merciful unto me: heal my soul, for I have sinned against thee. *V.* Blessed is he that considereth the poor: the Lord will deliver him in time of trouble.

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* O Lord my God, in thee do I put my trust: save me from all them that persecute me, and deliver me. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Luke 16:19-31*

[19] "There was a rich man, who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. [20] And at his gate lay a poor man named Laz'arus, full of sores, [21] who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table; moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. [22] The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried; [23] and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes, and saw Abraham far off and Laz'arus in his bosom. [24] And he called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy upon me, and send Laz'arus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in anguish in this flame.' [25] But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things,

and Laz'arus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. [26] And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.' [27] And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house, [28] for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' [29] But Abraham said, 'They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.' [30] And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if some one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' [31] He said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced if some one should rise from the dead.'"

The Second Sunday after Trinity (*Green*)

INTROIT

The Lord was my stay: he brought me forth also into a large place. He delivered me: because he delighted in me. *Ps.* I will love

thee, O Lord, my strength: the Lord is my rock, and my fortress. *Glory be, etc.*

COLLECT

O Lord, who never failest to help and govern those whom thou dost bring up in they steadfast fear and love: Make us to have a perpetual fear and love of thy holy

Name; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Proverbs 9:1-10*

[1] Wisdom has built her house,
she has set up her seven pillars.
[2] She has slaughtered her beasts, she has mixed her wine,
she has also set her table.
[3] She has sent out her maids to call from the highest places in the town,
[4] "Whoever is simple, let him turn in here!"
To him who is without sense she says,
[5] "Come, eat of my bread
and drink of the wine I have mixed.
[6] Leave simpleness, and live,
and walk in the way of insight."

[7] He who corrects a scoffer gets himself abuse,
and he who reproves a wicked man incurs injury.
[8] Do not reprove a scoffer, or he will hate you;
reprove a wise man, and he will love you.
[9] Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be still wiser;
teach a righteous man and he will increase in learning.
[10] The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom,
and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

EPISTLE 1 *John 3:13-18*

[13] Do not wonder, brethren, that the world hates you. [14] We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brethren. He who does not love abides in death. [15] Any one who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him. [16] By this we know love, that he laid

down his life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. [17] But if any one has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? [18] Little children, let us not love in word or speech but in deed and in truth.

GRADUAL

In my distress I cried unto the Lord: and he heard me. *V.* Deliver my soul, O Lord, from lying lips: and from a deceitful tongue.

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* I will praise the Lord according to his righteousness: and will sing praise to the Name of the Lord most High. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Luke 14:15-24*

[15] When one of those who sat at table with him heard this, he said to him, "Blessed is he who shall eat bread in the kingdom of God!" [16] But he said to him, "A man once gave a great banquet, and invited many; [17] and at the time for the banquet he sent his servant to say to those who had been invited, 'Come; for all is now ready.' [18] But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, 'I have bought a field, and I must go out and see it; I pray you, have me excused.' [19] And another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to examine them; I pray you, have me excused.' [20] And another said, 'I

have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.' [21] So the servant came and reported this to his master. Then the householder in anger said to his servant, 'Go out quickly to the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in the poor and maimed and blind and lame.' [22] And the servant said, 'Sir, what you commanded has been done, and still there is room.' [23] And the master said to the servant, 'Go out to the highways and hedges, and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled. [24] For I tell you, none of those men who were invited shall taste my banquet.'"

The Third Sunday after Trinity (*Green*)

INTROIT

Turn thee unto me, and have mercy upon me: for I am desolate and afflicted. Look upon mine affliction and my pain: and

forgive all my sins. *Ps.* Unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul: O my God, I trust in thee, let me not be ashamed. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

O God, the protector of all that trust in thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us thy mercy; that, thou being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal,

that we finally lose not the things eternal; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Isaiah 12:1-6*

[1] You will say in that day:

"I will give thanks to thee, O LORD, for though thou wast angry with me, thy anger turned away, and thou didst comfort me.

"Give thanks to the LORD, call upon his name; make known his deeds among the nations, proclaim that his name is exalted.

[2] "Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation."

[5] "Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously; let this be known in all the earth.

[6] Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel."

[3] With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. [4] And you will say in that day:

EPISTLE *1 Peter 5:6-11*

[6] Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that in due time he may exalt you. [7] Cast all your anxieties on him, for he cares about you. [8] Be sober, be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking some one to devour. [9] Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same experience of

suffering is required of your brotherhood throughout the world. [10] And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, establish, and strengthen you. [11] To him be the dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

GRADUAL

Cast thy burden upon the Lord: and he shall sustain thee. *V.* I will call upon God; and the Lord shall save me: he hath delivered my soul in peace.

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* I will love thee, O Lord, my strength: the Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Luke 15:1-10*

[1] Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. [2] And the Pharisees and the scribes murmured, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them."

[3] So he told them this parable: [4] "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness, and go after the one which is lost, until he finds it? [5] And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. [6] And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep which

was lost.' [7] Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

[8] "Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? [9] And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin which I had lost.' [10] Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

The Fourth Sunday after Trinity (*Green*)

INTROIT

The Lord is my light and my salvation, whom shall I fear: the Lord is the strength of my life, of whom shall I be afraid? When the wicked, even mine enemies and my

foes, came upon me: they stumbled and fell. *Ps.* Though an host should encamp against me: my heart shall not fear. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by thy governance, that thy Church may joyfully serve thee in all godly

quietness; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Numbers 6:22-27*

[22] The LORD said to Moses, [23] "Say to Aaron and his sons, Thus you shall bless the people of Israel: you shall say to them,

[24] The LORD bless you and keep you:

[25] The LORD make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you:

[26] The LORD lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.

[27] "So shall they put my name upon the people of Israel, and I will bless them."

EPISTLE *Romans 8:18-23*

[18] I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. [19] For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God; [20] for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of him who subjected it in hope; [21] because the creation itself will be set free from its

bondage to decay and obtain the glorious liberty of the children of God. [22] We know that the whole creation has been groaning in travail together until now; [23] and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies.

GRADUAL

Forgive our sins, O Lord: lest the heathen say, Where is their God? *V.* Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy Name: and deliver us.

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* The king shall joy in thy strength, O Lord: and in thy salvation how greatly shall he rejoice. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Luke 6:36-42*

[36] Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.

[37] "Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; [38] give, and it will be given to you; good measure, pressed down, shaken

together, running over, will be put into your lap. For the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

[39] He also told them a parable: "Can a blind man lead a blind man? Will they not both fall into a pit? [40] A disciple is not above his teacher, but every one when he is

fully taught will be like his teacher. [41] Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? [42] Or how can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me take out the speck that is in your eye,' when you

yourself do not see the log that is in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take out the speck that is in your brother's eye.

The Fifth Sunday after Trinity (*Green*)

INTROIT

Hear, O Lord, when I cry with my voice:
thou hast been my help. Leave me not,
neither forsake me: O God of my salvation.

COLLECT

O God, who hast prepared for them that
love thee such good things as pass man's
understanding: Pour into our hearts such
love toward thee, that we, loving thee
above all things, may obtain thy promises,

LESSON *Lamentations 3:22-33*

[22] The steadfast love of the LORD never
ceases,
his mercies never come to an end;
[23] they are new every morning;
great is thy faithfulness.
[24] "The LORD is my portion," says my
soul,
"therefore I will hope in him."
[25] The LORD is good to those who wait
for him,
to the soul that seeks him.
[26] It is good that one should wait quietly
for the salvation of the LORD.
[27] It is good for a man that he bear
the yoke in his youth.

EPISTLE *1 Peter 3:8-15a*

[8] Finally, all of you, have unity of spirit,
sympathy, love of the brethren, a tender
heart and a humble mind. [9] Do not return
evil for evil or reviling for reviling; but on
the contrary bless, for to this you have been
called, that you may obtain a blessing. [10]
For
"He that would love life
and see good days,
let him keep his tongue from evil
and his lips from speaking guile;
[11] let him turn away from evil and do
right;

Ps. The Lord is my light and my salvation:
whom shall I fear? Glory be, *etc.*

which exceed all that we can desire;
through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee in the
unity of the same Holy Ghost, God, forever
and ever. *Amen.*

[28] Let him sit alone in silence
when he has laid it on him;
[29] let him put his mouth in the dust -
there may yet be hope;
[30] let him give his cheek to the smiter,
and be filled with insults.
[31] For the Lord will not
cast off for ever,
[32] but, though he cause grief, he will have
compassion
according to the abundance of his steadfast
love;
[33] for he does not willingly afflict
or grieve the sons of men.

let him seek peace and pursue it.

[12] For the eyes of the Lord are upon the
righteous,
and his ears are open to their prayer.

But the face of the Lord is against those
that do evil."

[13] Now who is there to harm you if you
are zealous for what is right? [14] But even
if you do suffer for righteousness' sake, you
will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor
be troubled, [15a] but in your hearts
reverence Christ as Lord.

GRADUAL

Behold, O God our shield: and look upon the face of thine anointed. V. O Lord God of hosts: hear my prayer.

GOSPEL *Luke 5:1-11*

[1] While the people pressed upon him to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennes'aret. [2] And he saw two boats by the lake; but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. [3] Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. [4] And when he had ceased speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." [5] And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." [6] And when they had done this, they enclosed a great shoal of

Alleluia, alleluia. V. In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust; let me never be ashamed: deliver me in thy righteousness. Alleluia.

fish; and as their nets were breaking, [7] they beckoned to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. [8] But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." [9] For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the catch of fish which they had taken; [10] and so also were James and John, sons of Zeb'edee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; henceforth you will be catching men." [11] And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity (*Green*)

INTROIT

The Lord is the strength of his people: he is the saving strength of his anointed. Save thy people, and bless thine inheritance: feed the also, and lift them up forever. *Ps.* Unto

thee will I cry, O Lord, my rock; be not silent to me: lest if thou be silent to me, I become like them that go down into the pit. *Glory be, etc.*

COLLECT

Lord of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of thy Name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of thy great mercy keep us in

the same; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Ruth 1:1-18*

[1] In the days when the judges ruled there was a famine in the land, and a certain man of Bethlehem in Judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. [2] The name of the man was Elim'elech and the name of his wife Na'omi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chil'ion; they were Eph'rathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. [3] But Elim'elech, the husband of Na'omi, died, and she was left with her two sons. [4] These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. They lived there about ten years; [5] and both Mahlon and Chil'ion died, so that the woman was bereft of her two sons and her husband.

[6] Then she started with her daughters-in-law to return from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the LORD had visited his people and given them food. [7] So she set out from the place where she was, with her two daughters-in-law, and they went on the way to return to the land of Judah. [8] But Na'omi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go, return each of you to her mother's house. May the LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. [9] The LORD grant that you may

find a home, each of you in the house of her husband!" Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept. [10] And they said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." [11] But Na'omi said, "Turn back, my daughters, why will you go with me? Have I yet sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? [12] Turn back, my daughters, go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. If I should say I have hope, even if I should have a husband this night and should bear sons, [13] would you therefore wait till they were grown? Would you therefore refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, for it is exceedingly bitter to me for your sake that the hand of the LORD has gone forth against me." [14] Then they lifted up their voices and wept again; and Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her.

[15] And she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." [16] But Ruth said, "Entreat me not to leave you or to return from following you; for where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God; [17] where you die I will die, and there will I be buried. May the LORD do so to me and more also if even death parts me from you." [18] And when

Na'omi saw that she was determined to go

with her, she said no more.

EPISTLE *Romans 6:3-11*

[3] Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? [4] We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

[5] For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. [6] We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the sinful body might be

destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. [7] For he who has died is freed from sin. [8] But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. [9] For we know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. [10] The death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. [11] So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

GRADUAL

Return, O Lord, how long: and let it repent thee concerning thy servants. V. Lord, thou hast been our dwellingplace: in all generations.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. O clap your hands, all ye people: shout unto God with the voice of triumph. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Matthew 5:20-26*

[20] For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

[21] "You have heard that it was said to the men of old, 'You shall not kill; and whoever kills shall be liable to judgment.' [22] But I say to you that every one who is angry with his brother shall be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother shall be liable to the council, and whoever says, 'You fool!' shall be liable to the hell of fire.

[23] So if you are offering your gift at the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, [24] leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. [25] Make friends quickly with your accuser, while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison; [26] truly, I say to you, you will never get out till you have paid the last penny.

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity (*Green*)

INTROIT

O clap your hands, all ye people: shout unto God with the voice of triumph. *Ps.* He

shall subdue the people under us: and the nations under our feet. *Glory be, etc.*

COLLECT

O God, whose never-failing providence ordereth all things both in heaven and earth: We humbly beseech thee to put away from us all hurtful things, and to give us those things which be profitable for us;

through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Isaiah 62:6-12*

[6] Upon your walls, O Jerusalem, I have set watchmen; all the day and all the night they shall never be silent. You who put the LORD in remembrance, take no rest, [7] and give him no rest until he establishes Jerusalem and makes it a praise in the earth. [8] The LORD has sworn by his right hand and by his mighty arm: "I will not again give your grain to be food for your enemies, and foreigners shall not drink your wine for which you have labored; [9] but those who garner it shall eat it and praise the LORD, and those who gather it shall drink it

in the courts of my sanctuary." [10] Go through, go through the gates, prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway, clear it of stones, lift up an ensign over the peoples. [11] Behold, the LORD has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to the daughter of Zion, "Behold, your salvation comes; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him." [12] And they shall be called The holy people, The redeemed of the LORD; and you shall be called Sought out, a city not forsaken.

EPISTLE *Romans 6:19-23*

[19] I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once yielded your members to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now yield your members to righteousness for sanctification.

[20] When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. [21] But then what return did you get from the

things of which you are now ashamed? The end of those things is death. [22] But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the return you get is sanctification and its end, eternal life. [23] For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

GRADUAL

Come, ye children, hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the Lord. *V.* They

looked unto him and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Deliver me from mine enemies, O my God: defend me from them

GOSPEL *Mark 8:1-9*

[1] In those days, when again a great crowd had gathered, and they had nothing to eat, he called his disciples to him, and said to them, [2] "I have compassion on the crowd, because they have been with me now three days, and have nothing to eat; [3] and if I send them away hungry to their homes, they will faint on the way; and some of them have come a long way." [4] And his disciples answered him, "How can one feed these men with bread here in the desert?" [5] And he asked them, "How many loaves have you?" They said, "Seven." [6] And he

that rise up against me. Alleluia.

commanded the crowd to sit down on the ground; and he took the seven loaves, and having given thanks he broke them and gave them to his disciples to set before the people; and they set them before the crowd. [7] And they had a few small fish; and having blessed them, he commanded that these also should be set before them. [8] And they ate, and were satisfied; and they took up the broken pieces left over, seven baskets full. [9] And there were about four thousand people.

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity (*Green*)

INTROIT

We have thought of thy lovingkindness, O God: in the midst of thy temple. According to thy Name, O God, so is thy praise unto the ends of the earth: thy right hand is full

of righteousness. *Ps.* Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised: in the city of our God, in the mountain of his holiness. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Grant to us, Lord, we beseech thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as are right; that we, who cannot do anything that is good without thee, may by thee be enabled to live according to thy will;

through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Jeremiah 23:16-29*

[16] Thus says the LORD of hosts: "Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes; they speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of the LORD. [17] They say continually to those who despise the word of the LORD, 'It shall be well with you'; and to every one who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say, 'No evil shall come upon you.'"

[18] For who among them has stood in the council of the LORD to perceive and to hear his word, or who has given heed to his word and listened?

[19] Behold, the storm of the LORD! Wrath has gone forth, a whirling tempest; it will burst upon the head of the wicked.

[20] The anger of the LORD will not turn back until he has executed and accomplished the intents of his mind.

In the latter days you will understand it clearly.

[21] "I did not send the prophets, yet they ran; I did not speak to them,

yet they prophesied.

[22] But if they had stood in my council, then they would have proclaimed my words to my people, and they would have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their doings.

[23] "Am I a God at hand, says the LORD, and not a God afar off? [24] Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. [25] I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' [26] How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, [27] who think to make my people forget my name by their dreams which they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot my name for Ba'al? [28] Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. [29] Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer which breaks the rock in pieces?"

EPISTLE *Romans 8:12-17*

[12] So then, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh -- [13] for if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body you will live. [14] For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. [15] For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into

fear, but you have received the spirit of sonship. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" [16] it is the Spirit himself bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, [17] and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

GRADUAL

Be thou my strong rock: for an house of defence to save me. *V.* In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust: let me never be ashamed.

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* The Lord knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Matthew 7:15-21*

[15] "Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. [16] You will know them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thorns, or figs from thistles? [17] So, every sound tree bears good fruit, but the bad tree bears evil fruit. [18] A sound tree cannot bear evil fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good

fruit. [19] Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. [20] Thus you will know them by their fruits.

[21] "Not every one who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven.

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity (*Green*)

INTROIT

Behold, God is mine helper: the Lord is with them that uphold my soul. He shall reward evil unto mine enemies: cut them

off in thy truth. *Ps.* Save me, O God, by thy Name: and judge me by thy strength. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Let thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of thy humble servants; and, that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please thee;

through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Proverbs 16:1-9*

[1] The plans of the mind belong to man, but the answer of the tongue is from the LORD.

[2] All the ways of a man are pure in his own eyes, but the LORD weighs the spirit.

[3] Commit your work to the LORD, and your plans will be established.

[4] The LORD has made everything for its purpose, even the wicked for the day of trouble.

[5] Every one who is arrogant is an abomination to the LORD;

be assured, he will not go unpunished.

[6] By loyalty and faithfulness iniquity is atoned for, and by the fear of the LORD a man avoids evil.

[7] When a man's ways please the LORD, he makes even his enemies to be at peace with him.

[8] Better is a little with righteousness than great revenues with injustice.

[9] A man's mind plans his way, but the LORD directs his steps.

EPISTLE *1 Corinthians 10:1-13*

[1] I want you to know, brethren, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, [2] and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, [3] and all ate the same supernatural food [4] and all drank the same supernatural drink. For they drank from the supernatural Rock which followed them, and the Rock was Christ. [5] Nevertheless with most of them God was not pleased; for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

[6] Now these things are warnings for us, not to desire evil as they did. [7] Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to dance." [8] We must not indulge in immorality as some of them

did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. [9] We must not put the Lord to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents; [10] nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. [11] Now these things happened to them as a warning, but they were written down for our instruction, upon whom the end of the ages has come. [12] Therefore let any one who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. [13] No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your strength, but with the temptation will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

GRADUAL

O Lord our Lord, how excellent is thy Name in all the earth: who hast set thy glory above the heavens.

GOSPEL *Luke 16:1-9*

[1] He also said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a steward, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his goods. [2] And he called him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your stewardship, for you can no longer be steward.' [3] And the steward said to himself, 'What shall I do, since my master is taking the stewardship away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. [4] I have decided what to do, so that people may receive me into their houses when I am put out of the stewardship.' [5] So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the

Or, Luke 15:11-32

[11] And he said, "There was a man who had two sons; [12] and the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of property that falls to me.' And he divided his living between them. [13] Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took his journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in loose living. [14] And when he had spent everything, a great famine arose in that country, and he began to be in want. [15] So he went and joined himself to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed swine. [16] And he would gladly have fed on the pods that the swine ate; and no one gave him anything. [17] But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, but I perish here with hunger! [18] I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him,

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Give ear, O my people, to my law: incline your ears to the words of my mouth. Alleluia.

first, 'How much do you owe my master?' [6] He said, 'A hundred measures of oil.' And he said to him, 'Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.' [7] Then he said to another, 'And how much do you owe?' He said, 'A hundred measures of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and write eighty.' [8] The master commended the dishonest steward for his shrewdness; for the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. [9] And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous mammon, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal habitations.

"Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; [19] I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me as one of your hired servants.'" [20] And he arose and came to his father. But while he was yet at a distance, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. [21] And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' [22] But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet; [23] and bring the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and make merry; [24] for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to make merry.

[25] "Now his elder son was in the field; and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. [26] And he

called one of the servants and asked what this meant. [27] And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has received him safe and sound.' [28] But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, [29] but he answered his father, 'Lo, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command; yet you never gave me a

kid, that I might make merry with my friends. [30] But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your living with harlots, you killed for him the fatted calf!' [31] And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. [32] It was fitting to make merry and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.'"

The Tenth Sunday after Trinity (*Green*)

INTROIT

As for me, I will call upon God, and he shall hear my voice: he hath delivered my soul in peace from the battle that was against me. God shall hear and afflict them, even he that abideth of old: cast thy burden

upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee. *Ps.* Give ear to my prayer, O God: and hide not thyself from my supplication. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

O God, who declarest thine almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we, running the way of thy commandments, may obtain thy gracious

promises, and be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Jeremiah 7:1-11*

[1] The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: [2] "Stand in the gate of the LORD's house, and proclaim there this word, and say, Hear the word of the LORD, all you men of Judah who enter these gates to worship the LORD. [3] Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, Amend your ways and your doings, and I will let you dwell in this place. [4] Do not trust in these deceptive words: 'This is the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD.'

you do not go after other gods to your own hurt, [7] then I will let you dwell in this place, in the land that I gave of old to your fathers for ever.

[5] "For if you truly amend your ways and your doings, if you truly execute justice one with another, [6] if you do not oppress the alien, the fatherless or the widow, or shed innocent blood in this place, and if

[8] "Behold, you trust in deceptive words to no avail. [9] Will you steal, murder, commit adultery, swear falsely, burn incense to Ba'al, and go after other gods that you have not known, [10] and then come and stand before me in this house, which is called by my name, and say, 'We are delivered!' -- only to go on doing all these abominations? [11] Has this house, which is called by my name, become a den of robbers in your eyes? Behold, I myself have seen it, says the LORD.

EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

[1] Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I do not want you to be uninformed. [2] You know that when you were heathen, you were led astray to dumb idols, however you may have been moved. [3] Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

[4] Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; [5] and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; [6] and there are varieties of working, but it is the same God who inspires them all in every one. [7] To

GRADUAL

Keep me, O Lord, as the apple of the eye: hide me under the shadow of thy wings. V. Let my sentence come forth from thy presence: let thine eyes behold the things

GOSPEL Luke 19:41-47a

[41] And when he drew near and saw the city he wept over it, [42] saying, "Would that even today you knew the things that make for peace! But now they are hid from your eyes. [43] For the days shall come upon you, when your enemies will cast up a bank about you and surround you, and hem you in on every side, [44] and dash you to the ground, you and your children within you, and they will not leave one

each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. [8] To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, [9] to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, [10] to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. [11] All these are inspired by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

that are equal.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Deliver me from mine enemies, O my God: defend me from them that rise up against me. Alleluia.

stone upon another in you; because you did not know the time of your visitation."

[45] And he entered the temple and began to drive out those who sold, [46] saying to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be a house of prayer'; but you have made it a den of robbers."

[47] And he was teaching daily in the temple.

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity (*Green*)

INTROIT

God is in his holy habitation; God setteth the solitary in families: the God of Israel is he that giveth strength and power unto his

people. *Ps.* Let God arise, let his enemies be scattered: let them also that hate him flee before him. *Glory be, etc.*

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve: Pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy, forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid, and

giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Daniel 9:15-19*

[15] And now, O Lord our God, who didst bring thy people out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and hast made thee a name, as at this day, we have sinned, we have done wickedly. [16] O Lord, according to all thy righteous acts, let thy anger and thy wrath turn away from thy city Jerusalem, thy holy hill; because for our sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and thy people have become a byword among all who are round about us. [17] Now therefore, O our God, hearken to the prayer of thy servant and to his

supplications, and for thy own sake, O Lord, cause thy face to shine upon thy sanctuary, which is desolate. [18] O my God, incline thy ear and hear; open thy eyes and behold our desolations, and the city which is called by thy name; for we do not present our supplications before thee on the ground of our righteousness, but on the ground of thy great mercy. [19] O LORD, hear; O LORD, forgive; O LORD, give heed and act; delay not, for thy own sake, O my God, because thy city and thy people are called by thy name."

EPISTLE *1 Corinthians 15:1-10*

[1] Now I would remind you, brethren, in what terms I preached to you the gospel, which you received, in which you stand, [2] by which you are saved, if you hold it fast -- unless you believed in vain.

[3] For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, [4] that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, [5] and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. [6] Then he appeared to more than five

hundred brethren at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. [7] Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. [8] Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. [9] For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. [10] But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God which is with me.

GRADUAL

My heart trusteth in God, and I am helped:

therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and

with my song will I praise him. V. Unto thee will I cry, O Lord, my rock: be not silent to me. Hear the voice of my supplications.

GOSPEL *Luke 18:9-14*

[9] He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and despised others: [10] "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. [11] The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank thee that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Praise waiteth for thee, O God, in Sion: and unto thee shall the vow be performed. Alleluia.

[12] I fast twice a week, I give tithes of all that I get.' [13] But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner!' [14] I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for every one who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted."

The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity *(Green)*

INTROIT

Make haste, O God, to deliver me: make haste to help me, O Lord. Let them be ashamed and confounded: that seek after

my soul. *Ps.* Let them be turned backward, and put to confusion: that desire my hurt. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Almighty and merciful God, of whose only gift it cometh that thy faithful people do unto thee true and laudable service: Grant, we beseech thee, that we may so faithfully serve thee in this life, that we fail not finally

to attain thy heavenly promises; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Isaiah 29:17-21*

[17] Is it not yet a very little while until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field,
and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest?

[18] In that day the deaf shall hear the words of a book,
and out of their gloom and darkness the eyes of the blind shall see.

[19] The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the LORD,
and the poor among men shall exult in the

Holy One of Israel.

[20] For the ruthless shall come to nought and the scoffer cease,
and all who watch to do evil shall be cut off,

[21] who by a word make a man out to be an offender,
and lay a snare for him who reproveth in the gate,
and with an empty plea turn aside him who is in the right.

EPISTLE *2 Corinthians 3:4-9*

[4] Such is the confidence that we have through Christ toward God. [5] Not that we are competent of ourselves to claim anything as coming from us; our competence is from God, [6] who has made us competent to be ministers of a new covenant, not in a written code but in the Spirit; for the written code kills, but the Spirit gives life.

[7] Now if the dispensation of death, carved in letters on stone, came with such splendor that the Israelites could not look at Moses' face because of its brightness, fading as this was, [8] will not the dispensation of the Spirit be attended with greater splendor? [9] For if there was splendor in the dispensation of condemnation, the dispensation of righteousness must far exceed it in splendor.

GRADUAL

I will bless the Lord at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth. *V.* My soul shall make her boast in the Lord: the humble shall hear thereof and be glad.

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* Sing aloud unto God our strength: make a joyful noise unto the God of Jacob. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Mark 7:31-37*

[31] Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, through the region of the Decap'olis. [32] And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had an impediment in his speech; and they besought him to lay his hand upon him. [33] And taking him aside from the multitude privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue; [34] and looking up to

heaven, he sighed, and said to him, "Eph'phatha," that is, "Be opened." [35] And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. [36] And he charged them to tell no one; but the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. [37] And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, "He has done all things well; he even makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak."

The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity (*Green*)

INTROIT

Have respect to the covenant: O let not the oppressed return ashamed. Arise, O God, plead thine own cause: forget not the voice of thine enemies. *Ps.* O God, why hast thou

cast us off forever: why doth thine anger smoke against the sheep of thy pasture? Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou

dost command; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Zechariah 7:4-10*

[4] Then the word of the LORD of hosts came to me; [5] "Say to all the people of the land and the priests, When you fasted and mourned in the fifth month and in the seventh, for these seventy years, was it for me that you fasted? [6] And when you eat and when you drink, do you not eat for yourselves and drink for yourselves? [7] When Jerusalem was inhabited and in prosperity, with her cities round about her, and the South and the lowland were

inhabited, were not these the words which the LORD proclaimed by the former prophets?"

[8] And the word of the LORD came to Zechari'ah, saying, [9] "Thus says the LORD of hosts, Render true judgments, show kindness and mercy each to his brother, [10] do not oppress the widow, the fatherless, the sojourner, or the poor; and let none of you devise evil against his brother in your heart."

EPISTLE *Galatians 3:16-22*

[16] Now the promises were made to Abraham and to his offspring. It does not say, "And to offsprings," referring to many; but, referring to one, "And to your offspring," which is Christ. [17] This is what I mean: the law, which came four hundred and thirty years afterward, does not annul a covenant previously ratified by God, so as to make the promise void. [18] For if the inheritance is by the law, it is no longer by promise; but God gave it to Abraham by a promise.

should come to whom the promise had been made; and it was ordained by angels through an intermediary. [20] Now an intermediary implies more than one; but God is one.

[21] Is the law then against the promises of God? Certainly not; for if a law had been given which could make alive, then righteousness would indeed be by the law. [22] But the scripture consigned all things to sin, that what was promised to faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe.

[19] Why then the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the offspring

GRADUAL

Have respect to the covenant: O let not the oppressed return ashamed. *V.* Arise, O God, plead thine own cause: forget not the

voice of thine enemies. Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* O Lord God of my salvation: I have cried day and night before

thee. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Luke 10:23-37*

[23] Then turning to the disciples he said privately, "Blessed are the eyes which see what you see! [24] For I tell you that many prophets and kings desired to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it."

[25] And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" [26] He said to him, "What is written in the law? How do you read?" [27] And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." [28] And he said to him, "You have answered right; do this, and you will live."

[29] But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" [30] Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat

him, and departed, leaving him half dead. [31] Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. [32] So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. [33] But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was; and when he saw him, he had compassion, [34] and went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. [35] And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' [36] Which of these three, do you think, proved neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" [37] He said, "The one who showed mercy on him." And Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity (*Green*)

INTROIT

Behold, O God our shield: and look upon the face of thine anointed; for a day in thy courts: is better than a thousand. Ps. How

amiable are thy tabernacles, O Lord of Hosts: my soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the Lord. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Keep, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy Church with thy perpetual mercy; and, because the frailty of man without thee we cannot but fall, keep us ever by thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things

profitable to our salvation; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Proverbs 4:10-23*

[10] Hear, my son, and accept my words, that the years of your life may be many.
[11] I have taught you the way of wisdom; I have led you in the paths of uprightness.
[12] When you walk, your step will not be hampered;
and if you run, you will not stumble.
[13] Keep hold of instruction, do not let go; guard her, for she is your life.
[14] Do not enter the path of the wicked, and do not walk in the way of evil men.
[15] Avoid it; do not go on it; turn away from it and pass on.
[16] For they cannot sleep unless they have done wrong;
they are robbed of sleep unless they have made some one stumble.

[17] For they eat the bread of wickedness and drink the wine of violence.
[18] But the path of the righteous is like the light of dawn,
which shines brighter and brighter until full day.
[19] The way of the wicked is like deep darkness;
they do not know over what they stumble.
[20] My son, be attentive to my words; incline your ear to my sayings.
[21] Let them not escape from your sight; keep them within your heart.
[22] For they are life to him who finds them, and healing to all his flesh.
[23] Keep your heart with all vigilance; for from it flow the springs of life.

EPISTLE *Galatians 5:16-24*

[16] But I say, walk by the Spirit, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. [17] For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you would. [18] But if you are led by the Spirit you are not under the law. [19] Now the works of the flesh are plain: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, [20] idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, anger, selfishness,

dissension, party spirit, [21] envy, drunkenness, carousing, and the like. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God. [22] But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, [23] gentleness, self-control; against such there is no law. [24] And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

GRADUAL

It is better to trust in the Lord: than to put confidence in man. V. It is better to trust in the Lord: than to put confidence in princes.

GOSPEL *Luke 17:11-19*

[11] On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Sama'ria and Galilee. [12] And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance [13] and lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." [14] When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. [15] Then one of them, when he saw that he was

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place: in all generations. Alleluia.

healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; [16] and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. [17] Then said Jesus, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? [18] Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" [19] And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity (*Green*)

INTROIT

Bow down thine ear, O Lord, hear me: O thou, my God, save thy servant that trusteth in thee. Be merciful unto me, O

Lord: for I cry unto thee daily. *Ps.* Rejoice the soul of thy servant: for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

O Lord, we beseech thee, let thy continual pity cleanse and defend thy Church; and because it cannot continue in safety without thy succor, preserve it evermore by thy

help and goodness; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON 1 *Kings 17:8-16*

[8] Then the word of the LORD came to him, [9] "Arise, go to Zar'ephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you." [10] So he arose and went to Zar'ephath; and when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks; and he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink." [11] And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." [12] And she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a cruse; and now, I am gathering a couple of sticks,

that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die." [13] And Eli'jah said to her, "Fear not; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make for yourself and your son. [14] For thus says the LORD the God of Israel, 'The jar of meal shall not be spent, and the cruse of oil shall not fail, until the day that the LORD sends rain upon the earth.'" [15] And she went and did as Eli'jah said; and she, and he, and her household ate for many days. [16] The jar of meal was not spent, neither did the cruse of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD which he spoke by Eli'jah.

EPISTLE *Galatians 5:25-6:10*

[25] If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit. [26] Let us have no self-conceit, no provoking of one another, no envy of one another.

[6:1] Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Look to yourself, lest you too be tempted. [2] Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ. [3] For if any one thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. [4] But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. [5]

For each man will have to bear his own load.

[6] Let him who is taught the word share all good things with him who teaches.

[7] Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. [8] For he who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption; but he who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. [9] And let us not grow weary in well-doing, for in due season we shall reap, if we do not lose heart. [10] So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all men, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

GRADUAL

It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord: and to sing praises unto thy Name, O most High.

GOSPEL *Matthew 6:24-34*

[24] "No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.

[25] "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you shall eat or what you shall drink, nor about your body, what you shall put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? [26] Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? [27] And which of you by being anxious can add one cubit to his span of life? [28] And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they

Alleluia, alleluia. V. O God, my heart is fixed: I will sing and give praise, even with my glory. Alleluia.

grow; they neither toil nor spin; [29] yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. [30] But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O men of little faith? [31] Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' [32] For the Gentiles seek all these things; and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. [33] But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things shall be yours as well.

[34] "Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Let the day's own trouble be sufficient for the day.

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity *(Green)*

INTROIT

Be merciful unto me, O Lord: for I cry unto thee daily. For thou, Lord, art good, and ready to forgive: and plenteous in mercy

unto all them that call upon thee. *Ps.* Bow down thine ear, O Lord, hear me: for I am poor and needy. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Lord, we pray thee, that thy grace may always go before and follow after us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our

Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Job 5:17-26*

[17] Behold, happy is the man whom God reproveth;
therefore despise not the chastening of the Almighty.

[18] For he wounds, but he binds up;
he smites, but his hands heal.

[19] He will deliver you from six troubles;
in seven there shall no evil touch you.

[20] In famine he will redeem you from death,
and in war from the power of the sword.

[21] You shall be hid from the scourge of the tongue,

and shall not fear destruction when it comes.

[22] At destruction and famine you shall

laugh,
and shall not fear the beasts of the earth.

[23] For you shall be in league with the stones of the field,

and the beasts of the field shall be at peace with you.

[24] You shall know that your tent is safe,
and you shall inspect your fold and miss nothing.

[25] You shall know also that your descendants shall be many,
and your offspring as the grass of the earth.

[26] You shall come to your grave in ripe old age,

as a shock of grain comes up to the threshing floor in its season.

EPISTLE *Ephesians 3:13-21*

[13] So I ask you not to lose heart over what I am suffering for you, which is your glory.

[14] For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, [15] from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named,

[16] that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with might through his Spirit in the inner man,

[17] and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, [18] may have power

to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, [19] and to know the love of Christ which surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fulness of God.

[20] Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, [21] to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

GRADUAL

The heathen shall fear the Name of the Lord: and all the kings of the earth thy

glory. *V.* When the Lord shall build up Zion: he shall appear in his glory.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. O sing unto the Lord a new song: for he hath done marvelous

GOSPEL *Luke 7:11-16*

[11] Soon afterward he went to a city called Na'in, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. [12] As he drew near to the gate of the city, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a large crowd from the city was with her. [13] And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not

things. Alleluia.

weep." [14] And he came and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." [15] And the dead man sat up, and began to speak. And he gave him to his mother. [16] Fear seized them all; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and "God has visited his people!"

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity *(Green)*

INTROIT

Righteous art thou, O Lord: and upright are thy judgments. Deal with thy servant, according unto thy mercy. *Ps.* Blessed are

the undefiled in the way: who walk in the law of the Lord. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Lord, we beseech thee, grant thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow thee, the only God; through thy Son,

Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Proverbs 25:6-14*

[6] Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence
or stand in the place of the great;
[7] for it is better to be told, "Come up here,"
than to be put lower in the presence of the prince.
What your eyes have seen
[8] do not hastily bring into court;
for what will you do in the end,
when your neighbor puts you to shame?
[9] Argue your case with your neighbor himself,
and do not disclose another's secret;
[10] lest he who hears you bring shame

upon you,
and your ill repute have no end.
[11] A word fitly spoken
is like apples of gold in a setting of silver.
[12] Like a gold ring or an ornament of gold
is a wise reprover to a listening ear.
[13] Like the cold of snow in the time of harvest
is a faithful messenger to those who send him,
he refreshes the spirit of his masters.
[14] Like clouds and wind without rain
is a man who boasts of a gift he does not give.

EPISTLE *Ephesians 4:1-6*

[1] I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, [2] with all lowliness and meekness, with patience, forbearing one another in love, [3] eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond

of peace. [4] There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call, [5] one Lord, one faith, one baptism, [6] one God and Father of us all, who is above all and through all and in all.

GRADUAL

Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord: and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance. *V.* By the word of the Lord were the heavens made: and all

the host of them by the breath of his mouth. Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* I love the Lord: because he hath heard my voice and my supplications. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Luke 14:1-11*

[1] One sabbath when he went to dine at the house of a ruler who belonged to the

Pharisees, they were watching him. [2] And behold, there was a man before him who

had dropsy. [3] And Jesus spoke to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath, or not?" [4] But they were silent. Then he took him and healed him, and let him go. [5] And he said to them, "Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well, will not immediately pull him out on a sabbath day?" [6] And they could not reply to this.

[7] Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he marked how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, [8] "When you are invited by any one to a marriage feast, do not sit down in a place of

honor, lest a more eminent man than you be invited by him; [9] and he who invited you both will come and say to you, 'Give place to this man,' and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. [10] But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, 'Friend, go up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. [11] For every one who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity (*Green*)

INTROIT

Reward them that wait for thee, O Lord: and let thy prophets be found faithful. And the prayer of thy servants: and of thy

people Israel. *Ps.* I was glad when they said unto me: Let us go into the house of the Lord. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

O God, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee: Mercifully grant, that the Holy Ghost may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through thy Son, Jesus

Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *2 Chronicles 1:7-12*

[7] In that night God appeared to Solomon, and said to him, "Ask what I shall give you." [8] And Solomon said to God, "Thou hast shown great and steadfast love to David my father, and hast made me king in his stead. [9] O LORD God, let thy promise to David my father be now fulfilled, for thou hast made me king over a people as many as the dust of the earth. [10] Give me now wisdom and knowledge to go out and come in before this people, for who can rule this thy people, that is so great?" [11] God

answered Solomon, "Because this was in your heart, and you have not asked possessions, wealth, honor, or the life of those who hate you, and have not even asked long life, but have asked wisdom and knowledge for yourself that you may rule my people over whom I have made you king, [12] wisdom and knowledge are granted to you. I will also give you riches, possessions, and honor, such as none of the kings had who were before you, and none after you shall have the like."

EPISTLE *1 Corinthians 1:4-9*

[4] I give thanks to God always for you because of the grace of God which was given you in Christ Jesus, [5] that in every way you were enriched in him with all speech and all knowledge -- [6] even as the testimony to Christ was confirmed among you -- [7] so that you are not lacking in any

spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ; [8] who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. [9] God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

GRADUAL

I was glad when they said unto me: Let us go into the house of the Lord. *V.* Peace be within the walls: and prosperity within thy palaces.

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* O praise the Lord, all ye nations: praise him, all ye people. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Matthew 22:34-46*

[34] But when the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sad'ducees, they came together. [35] And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question, to test him. [36]

"Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?" [37] And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all

your mind. [38] This is the great and first commandment. [39] And a second is like it, You shall love your neighbor as yourself. [40] On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets."

[41] Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them a question, [42] saying, "What do you think of the Christ? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." [43] He said to

them, "How is it then that David, inspired by the Spirit, calls him Lord, saying,

[44] 'The Lord said to my Lord,

Sit at my right hand,

till I put thy enemies under thy feet'?

[45] If David thus calls him Lord, how is he his son?" [46] And no one was able to answer him a word, nor from that day did any one dare to ask him any more questions.

The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity *(Green)*

INTROIT

Say unto my soul: I am thy salvation. The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles: for this God is our God for ever and ever. *Ps.*

Give ear, O my people, to my law: incline your ears to the words of my mouth. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Almighty and most merciful God, of thy bountiful goodness keep us, we beseech thee, from all things that may hurt us; that we, being ready, both in body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish those things

which thou wouldest have done; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Genesis 28:10-17*

[10] Jacob left Beer-sheba, and went toward Haran. [11] And he came to a certain place, and stayed there that night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place to sleep. [12] And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven; and behold, the angels of God were ascending and descending on it! [13] And behold, the LORD stood above it and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your descendants; [14] and your descendants

shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and by you and your descendants shall all the families of the earth bless themselves. [15] Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done that of which I have spoken to you." [16] Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place; and I did not know it." [17] And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

EPISTLE *Ephesians 4:17-28*

[17] Now this I affirm and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds; [18] they are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart; [19] they have become callous and have given themselves up to licentiousness, greedy to practice every kind of uncleanness. [20] You did not so learn Christ! -- [21] assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus. [22] Put off your old nature which belongs to

your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful lusts, [23] and be renewed in the spirit of your minds, [24] and put on the new nature, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

[25] Therefore, putting away falsehood, let every one speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. [26] Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, [27] and give no opportunity to the devil. [28] Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his

hands, so that he may be able to give to

those in need.

GRADUAL

Let my prayer be set forth before thee as incense: and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. The right hand of the Lord is exalted: the right hand of the Lord doeth valiantly. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Matthew 9:1-8*

[1] And getting into a boat he crossed over and came to his own city. [2] And behold, they brought to him a paralytic, lying on his bed; and when Jesus saw their faith he said to the paralytic, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven." [3] And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." [4] But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? [5] For which is easier, to say,

'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise and walk'? [6] But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins" -- he then said to the paralytic -- "Rise, take up your bed and go home." [7] And he rose and went home. [8] When the crowds saw it, they were afraid, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to men.

The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity (*Green*)

INTROIT

The Lord our God is righteous in all his works which he doeth: for we obeyed not his voice. Give glory to thy Name, O Lord: and deal with us according to the multitude

of thy mercies. *Ps.* Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised: in the city of our God, in the mountain of his holiness. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through

thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Proverbs 2:1-9*

[1] My son, if you receive my words and treasure up my commandments with you,
[2] making your ear attentive to wisdom and inclining your heart to understanding;
[3] yes, if you cry out for insight and raise your voice for understanding,
[4] if you seek it like silver and search for it as for hidden treasures;
[5] then you will understand the fear of the LORD and find the knowledge of God.

[6] For the LORD gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding;
[7] he stores up sound wisdom for the upright;
he is a shield to those who walk in integrity,
[8] guarding the paths of justice and preserving the way of his saints.
[9] Then you will understand righteousness and justice and equity, every good path;

EPISTLE *Ephesians 5:15-21*

[15] Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, [16] making the most of the time, because the days are evil. [17] Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. [18] And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, [19] addressing one another in

psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart, [20] always and for everything giving thanks in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God the Father.

[21] Be subject to one another out of reverence for Christ.

GRADUAL

The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord: and thou givest them their meat in due season. *V.* Thou openest thine hand: and satisfiest the desire of every living thing.

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* O give thanks unto the Lord, call upon his Name: make known his deeds amongst the people. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Matthew 22:1-14*

[1] And again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, [2] "The kingdom of

heaven may be compared to a king who gave a marriage feast for his son, [3] and

sent his servants to call those who were invited to the marriage feast; but they would not come. [4] Again he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, Behold, I have made ready my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves are killed, and everything is ready; come to the marriage feast.' [5] But they made light of it and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, [6] while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. [7] The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. [8] Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy.

[9] Go therefore to the thoroughfares, and invite to the marriage feast as many as you find.' [10] And those servants went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

[11] "But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment; [12] and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. [13] Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and cast him into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth.' [14] For many are called, but few are chosen."

The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity (*Green*)

INTROIT

The whole world is in thy power, O Lord, King Almighty: there is no man that can gainsay thee. For thou hast made heaven and earth, and all the wondrous things

under the heaven: thou art Lord of all. *Ps.* Blessed are the undefiled in the way: who walk in the law of the Lord. Glory be, *etc.*

COLLECT

Lord, we beseech thee to keep thy household, the Church, in continual godliness; that through thy protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly given to serve thee in good works,

to the glory of thy Name; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSON 2 *Samuel* 7:18-29

[18] Then King David went in and sat before the LORD, and said, "Who am I, O Lord GOD, and what is my house, that thou hast brought me thus far? [19] And yet this was a small thing in thy eyes, O Lord GOD; thou hast spoken also of thy servant's house for a great while to come, and hast shown me future generations, O Lord GOD! [20] And what more can David say to thee? For thou knowest thy servant, O Lord GOD! [21] Because of thy promise, and according to thy own heart, thou hast wrought all this greatness, to make thy servant know it. [22] Therefore thou art great, O LORD God; for there is none like thee, and there is no God besides thee, according to all that we have heard with our ears. [23] What other nation on earth is like thy people Israel, whom God went to redeem to be his people, making himself a name, and doing for them great and terrible things, by driving out before his people a nation and its gods? [24] And thou didst establish for thyself thy

people Israel to be thy people for ever; and thou, O LORD, didst become their God. [25] And now, O LORD God, confirm for ever the word which thou hast spoken concerning thy servant and concerning his house, and do as thou hast spoken; [26] and thy name will be magnified for ever, saying, 'The LORD of hosts is God over Israel,' and the house of thy servant David will be established before thee. [27] For thou, O LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, hast made this revelation to thy servant, saying, 'I will build you a house'; therefore thy servant has found courage to pray this prayer to thee. [28] And now, O Lord GOD, thou art God, and thy words are true, and thou hast promised this good thing to thy servant; [29] now therefore may it please thee to bless the house of thy servant, that it may continue for ever before thee; for thou, O Lord GOD, hast spoken, and with thy blessing shall the house of thy servant be blessed for ever."

EPISTLE *Ephesians* 6:10-17

[10] Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. [11] Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. [12] For we are not contending against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against

the powers, against the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. [13] Therefore take the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. [14]

Stand therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, [15] and having shod your feet with the equipment of the gospel of peace; [16] besides all these,

GRADUAL

Lord, thou hast been our dwelling-place: in all generations. V. Before the mountains were brought forth or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world: even from

GOSPEL *John 4:46b-53*

[46b] At Caper'na-um there was an official whose son was ill. [47] When he heard that Jesus had come from Judea to Galilee, he went and begged him to come down and heal his son, for he was at the point of death. [48] Jesus therefore said to him, "Unless you see signs and wonders you will not believe." [49] The official said to him, "Sir, come down before my child dies." [50] Jesus said to him, "Go; your son will live." The man believed the word that Jesus

taking the shield of faith, with which you can quench all the flaming darts of the evil one. [17] And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

everlasting to everlasting, thou art God. Alleluia, alleluia. V. They that trust in the Lord shall be as Mount Zion: which cannot be removed, but abideth forever. Alleluia.

spoke to him and went his way. [51] As he was going down, his servants met him and told him that his son was living. [52] So he asked them the hour when he began to mend, and they said to him, "Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him." [53] The father knew that was the hour when Jesus had said to him, "Your son will live"; and he himself believed, and all his household.

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity (*Green*)

INTROIT

If thou, O Lord, shouldst mark iniquities: O Lord, who shall stand? But there is forgiveness with thee: that thou mayest be

feared. *Ps.* Out of the depths have I cried unto thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice. Glory be to the Father, *etc.*

COLLECT

O God, our refuge and our strength, who art the author of all godliness: Be ready, we beseech thee, to hear the devout prayers of thy Church; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully, we may obtain

effectually; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

LESSON *Proverbs 3:11-20*

[11] My son, do not despise the LORD's discipline
or be weary of his reproof,
[12] for the LORD reproves him whom he loves,
as a father the son in whom he delights.
[13] Happy is the man who finds wisdom,
and the man who gets understanding,
[14] for the gain from it is better than gain from silver
and its profit better than gold.
[15] She is more precious than jewels,
and nothing you desire can compare with her.
[16] Long life is in her right hand;

in her left hand are riches and honor.
[17] Her ways are ways of pleasantness,
and all her paths are peace.
[18] She is a tree of life to those who lay hold of her;
those who hold her fast are called happy.
[19] The LORD by wisdom founded the earth;
by understanding he established the heavens;
[20] by his knowledge the deeps broke forth,
and the clouds drop down the dew.

EPISTLE *Philippians 1:3-11*

[3] I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, [4] always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, [5] thankful for your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. [6] And I am sure that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. [7] It is right for me to feel thus about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the

defense and confirmation of the gospel. [8] For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. [9] And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, [10] so that you may approve what is excellent, and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, [11] filled with the fruits of righteousness which come through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

GRADUAL

Behold, how good and how pleasant it is: for brethren to dwell together in unity.

V. The Lord commanded the blessing: even life for evermore.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Praise be to the Lord,
O my soul; while I live will I praise the

GOSPEL *Matthew 18:21-35*

[21] Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" [22] Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven.

[23] "Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. [24] When he began the reckoning, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents; [25] and as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. [26] So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' [27] And out of pity for him the lord of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. [28] But that same servant, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow servants

Lord: I will sing praises unto my God.
Alleluia.

who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat he said, 'Pay what you owe.' [29] So his fellow servant fell down and besought him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' [30] He refused and went and put him in prison till he should pay the debt. [31] When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. [32] Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you besought me; [33] and should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' [34] And in anger his lord delivered him to the jailers, till he should pay all his debt. [35] So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity (*Green*)

INTROIT

I know the thoughts that I think towards you, saith the Lord: thoughts of peace, and not of evil. Then shall ye call upon me, and pray unto me, and I will harken unto you: and I will turn your captivity, and gather

you from all nations and from all places. *Ps.* Lord, thou hast been favorable unto thy land: thou hast brought back the captivity of Jacob. Glory be to the Father, *etc.*

COLLECT

Absolve, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy people from their offences; that from the bonds of our sins which, by reason of our frailty, we have brought upon us, we may be delivered by thy bountiful goodness;

through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

LESSON *Proverbs 8:11-22*

[11] Wisdom is better than jewels,
and all that you may desire cannot
compare with her.
[12] I, wisdom, dwell in prudence,
and I find knowledge and discretion.
[13] The fear of the LORD is hatred of evil.
Pride and arrogance and the way of evil
and perverted speech I hate.
[14] I have counsel and sound wisdom,
I have insight, I have strength.
[15] By me kings reign,
and rulers decree what is just;
[16] by me princes rule,
and nobles govern the earth.
[17] I love those who love me,

and those who seek me diligently find
me.
[18] Riches and honor are with me,
enduring wealth and prosperity.
[19] My fruit is better than gold, even fine
gold,
and my yield than choice silver.
[20] I walk in the way of righteousness,
in the paths of justice,
[21] endowing with wealth those who love
me,
and filling their treasuries.
[22] The LORD created me at the beginning
of his work,
the first of his acts of old.

EPISTLE *Philippians 3:17-21*

[17] Brethren, join in imitating me, and mark those who so live as you have an example in us. [18] For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, live as enemies of the cross of Christ. [19] Their end is destruction, their god is the belly, and they glory in their

shame, with minds set on earthly things. [20] But our commonwealth is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, [21] who will change our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power which enables him even to subject all things to himself.

GRADUAL

Thou hast saved us from our enemies: and hast put them to shame that hated us.
V. In God we boast all the day long: and

praise thy Name forever.
Alleluia, alleluia. V. Ye that fear the Lord,
trust in the Lord: he is their help and their

shield. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Matthew 22:15-22*

[15] Then the Pharisees went and took counsel how to entangle him in his talk. [16] And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Hero'di-ans, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true, and teach the way of God truthfully, and care for no man; for you do not regard the position of men. [17] Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" [18] But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you

hypocrites? [19] Show me the money for the tax." And they brought him a coin. [20] And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" [21] They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." [22] When they heard it, they marveled; and they left him and went away.

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Trinity (*Green*)

INTROIT

O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord our maker. For he is our God: and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

Ps. O come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation. Glory be to the Father, *etc.*

COLLECT

Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of thee be plenteously rewarded; through

thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

LESSON *1 Kings 17:17-24*

[17] After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill; and his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. [18] And she said to Eli'jah, "What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance, and to cause the death of my son!" [19] And he said to her, "Give me your son." And he took him from her bosom, and carried him up into the upper chamber, where he lodged, and laid him upon his own bed. [20] And he cried to the LORD, "O LORD my God, hast thou brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by slaying her son?"

[21] Then he stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried to the LORD, "O LORD my God, let this child's soul come into him again." [22] And the LORD hearkened to the voice of Eli'jah; and the soul of the child came into him again, and he revived. [23] And Eli'jah took the child, and brought him down from the upper chamber into the house, and delivered him to his mother; and Eli'jah said, "See, your son lives." [24] And the woman said to Eli'jah, "Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth."

EPISTLE *Colossians 1:9-14*

[9] And so, from the day we heard of it, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, [10] to lead a life worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God. [11] May you be strengthened with all power, according to

his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, [12] giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. [13] He has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, [14] in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

GRADUAL

Blessed is the man: that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly. *V.* His delight is in the law of the Lord: and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: with long life will I satisfy him, and show him my salvation. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Matthew 9:18-26*

[18] While he was thus speaking to them, behold, a ruler came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." [19] And Jesus rose and followed him, with his disciples. [20] And behold, a woman who had suffered from a hemorrhage for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his garment; [21] for she said to herself, "If I only touch his garment, I shall be made well." [22] Jesus turned, and seeing her he

said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. [23] And when Jesus came to the ruler's house, and saw the flute players, and the crowd making a tumult, [24] he said, "Depart; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. [25] But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl arose. [26] And the report of this went through all that district.

¶ *The appointments for the following three Sundays may be used on the last three Sundays after Trinity.*

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Trinity (*Green*)

INTROIT

Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am in trouble: deliver me from the hand of mine enemies, and from them that persecute me. Let me not be ashamed, O Lord: for I have

called upon thee. *Ps.* In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust: let me never be ashamed. Glory be to the Father, *etc.*

COLLECT

Almighty God, we beseech thee, show thy mercy unto thy humble servants; that we, who put no trust in our own merits, may not be dealt with after the severity of thy judgement, but according to thy mercy;

through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

LESSON *Job 14:1-6*

[1] Man that is born of a woman is of few days, and full of trouble.

[2] He comes forth like a flower, and withers;

he flees like a shadow, and continues not.

[3] And dost thou open thy eyes upon such a one

and bring him into judgment with thee?

[4] Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean?

There is not one.

[5] Since his days are determined, and the number of his months is with thee,

and thou hast appointed his bounds that he cannot pass,

[6] look away from him, and desist, that he may enjoy, like a hireling, his day.

EPISTLE 1 *Thessalonians 4:13-18*

[13] But we would not have you ignorant, brethren, concerning those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. [14] For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. [15] For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, shall not precede those who

have fallen asleep. [16] For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the archangel's call, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first; [17] then we who are alive, who are left, shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air; and so we shall always be with the Lord. [18] Therefore comfort one another with these words.

GRADUAL

I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God, in him I will trust. *V.* His truth: shall be thy shield and buckler. Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* He that dwelleth in

the secret place of the most High: shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Matthew 24:15-28*

[15] "So when you see the desolating sacrilege spoken of by the prophet Daniel, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand), [16] then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains; [17] let him who is on the housetop not go down to take what is in his house; [18] and let him who is in the field not turn back to take his mantle. [19] And alas for those who are with child and for those who give suck in those days! [20] Pray that your flight may not be in winter or on a sabbath. [21] For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been from the beginning of the world until now, no, and never will be. [22] And if those days had not been shortened, no

human being would be saved; but for the sake of the elect those days will be shortened. [23] Then if any one says to you, 'Lo, here is the Christ!' or 'There he is!' do not believe it. [24] For false Christs and false prophets will arise and show great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect. [25] Lo, I have told you beforehand. [26] So, if they say to you, 'Lo, he is in the wilderness,' do not go out; if they say, 'Lo, he is in the inner rooms,' do not believe it. [27] For as the lightning comes from the east and shines as far as the west, so will be the coming of the Son of man. [28] Wherever the body is, there the eagles will be gathered together."

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Trinity (*Green*)

INTROIT

Save me, O God, by thy Name: and judge me by thy strength. Hear my prayer, O God: give ear to the words of my mouth.

Ps. He shall reward evil unto mine enemies: cut them off in thy truth. Glory be to the Father, *etc.*

COLLECT

O God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by thy Holy Spirit, that, being ever mindful of the end of all things and the day of thy just judgement, we may be stirred up to holiness of living here, and dwell with

thee forever hereafter; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

LESSON *Daniel 7:9-14*

[9] As I looked,
thrones were placed
and one that was ancient of days took his seat;

his raiment was white as snow,
and the hair of his head like pure wool;
his throne was fiery flames,
its wheels were burning fire.

[10] A stream of fire issued
and came forth from before him;
a thousand thousands served him,
and ten thousand times ten thousand
stood before him;

the court sat in judgment,
and the books were opened.

[11] I looked then because of the sound of the great words which the horn was speaking. And as I looked, the beast was slain, and its body destroyed and given

over to be burned with fire. [12] As for the rest of the beasts, their dominion was taken away, but their lives were prolonged for a season and a time.

[13] I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven

there came one like a son of man,
and he came to the Ancient of Days
and was presented before him.

[14] And to him was given dominion
and glory and kingdom,
that all peoples, nations, and languages
should serve him;
his dominion is an everlasting dominion,
which shall not pass away,
and his kingdom one
that shall not be destroyed.

EPISTLE *1 Thessalonians 5:1-11*

[1] But as to the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need to have anything written to you. [2] For you yourselves know well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. [3] When people say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them as travail comes upon a woman with child, and there will be no escape. [4] But you are not in darkness, brethren, for that day to surprise you like a

thief. [5] For you are all sons of light and sons of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. [6] So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. [7] For those who sleep sleep at night, and those who get drunk are drunk at night. [8] But, since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. [9] For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation

through our Lord Jesus Christ, [10] who died for us so that whether we wake or sleep we might live with him. [11]

GRADUAL

Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord: or who shall stand in his holy place?

V. He that hath clean hands and a pure heart: he shall receive the blessing from the

GOSPEL *Matthew 25:31-46*

[31] "When the Son of man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. [32] Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate them one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, [33] and he will place the sheep at his right hand, but the goats at the left. [34] Then the King will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; [35] for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, [36] I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' [37] Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see thee hungry and feed thee, or thirsty and give thee drink? [38] And when did we see thee a stranger and welcome thee, or naked and

Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Fear not, for I have redeemed thee: I have called thee by thy name; thou art mine. Alleluia.

clothe thee? [39] And when did we see thee sick or in prison and visit thee?' [40] And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me.' [41] Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; [42] for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, [43] I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' [44] Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see thee hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to thee?' [45] Then he will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not to me.' [46] And they will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

The Last Sunday after Trinity (Green)

¶ *The Introit, Collect, Lesson, Epistle, Gradual and Gospel here following shall be used on the Last Sunday after Trinity of each year.*

INTROIT

I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending: which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty. Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them: and they shall be his

people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. *Ps.* Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors: and the King of Glory shall come in. Glory be to the Father, *etc.*

COLLECT

Absolve, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy people from their offences; that from the bonds of our sins which, by reason of our frailty, we have brought upon us, we may be delivered by thy bountiful goodness;

through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

LESSON *Isaiah 35:3-10*

[3] Strengthen the weak hands,
and make firm the feeble knees.
[4] Say to those who are of a fearful heart,
"Be strong, fear not!
Behold, your God
will come with vengeance,
with the recompense of God.
He will come and save you."
[5] Then the eyes of the blind shall be
opened,
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;
[6] then shall the lame man leap like a hart,
and the tongue of the dumb sing for joy.
For waters shall break forth in the
wilderness,
and streams in the desert;
[7] the burning sand shall become a pool,
and the thirsty ground springs of water;

the haunt of jackals shall become a
swamp,
the grass shall become reeds and rushes.
[8] And a highway shall be there,
and it shall be called the Holy Way;
the unclean shall not pass over it,
and fools shall not err therein.
[9] No lion shall be there,
nor shall any ravenous beast come up on
it;
they shall not be found there,
but the redeemed shall walk there.
[10] And the ransomed of the LORD shall
return,
and come to Zion with singing;
everlasting joy shall be upon their heads;
they shall obtain joy and gladness,
and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

EPISTLE 2 *Peter 3:8-14*

[8] But do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. [9] The Lord is not slow about his promise as some count slowness, but is forbearing toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.

[10] But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and the works that are upon it will be burned up.
[11] Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of persons ought you

to be in lives of holiness and godliness, [12] waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be kindled and dissolved, and the elements will melt with fire! [13] But according to his promise we wait for new

GRADUAL

I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life. *V.* The Spirit and the bride say, Come; and let him that

GOSPEL *Matthew 25:1-13*

[1] Then the kingdom of heaven shall be compared to ten maidens who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. [2] Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. [3] For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; [4] but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. [5] As the bridegroom was delayed, they all slumbered and slept. [6] But at midnight there was a cry, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' [7] Then all those maidens rose and trimmed their lamps. [8] And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us

heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.

[14] Therefore, beloved, since you wait for these, be zealous to be found by him without spot or blemish, and at peace.

heareth say, Come: and let him that is athirst come.

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* Even so: come, Lord Jesus. Alleluia.

some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' [9] But the wise replied, 'Perhaps there will not be enough for us and for you; go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' [10] And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast; and the door was shut. [11] Afterward the other maidens came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' [12] But he replied, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' [13] Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

Here ends the Proper of the Time.