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First Reading Hosea 1:2-9

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF HOSEA.

When the Lord first spoke through Hosea, the Lord said to Hosea, "Go, take for yourself a wife of whoredom and have children of whoredom, for the land commits great whoredom by forsaking the Lord." So he went and took Gomer, daughter of Diblaim, and she conceived and bore him a son. And the Lord said to him, "Name him Jezreel; for in a little while I will punish the house of Jehu for the blood of Jezreel, and I will put an end to the kingdom of the house of Israel. On that day I will break the bow of Israel in the valley of Jezreel." She conceived again and bore a daughter.

Then the Lord said to him, "Name her Loruhamah, for I will no longer have pity on the house of Israel or forgive them. But I will have pity on the house of Judah, and I will save them by the Lord their God; I will not save them by bow, or by sword, or by war, or by horses, or by horsemen." When she had weaned Loruhamah, she conceived and bore a son. Then the Lord said, "Name him Loammi, for you are not my people and I am not your God." Yet the number of the people of Israel shall be like the sand of the sea, which can be neither measured nor numbered; and in the place where it was said to them, "You are not my people," it shall be said to them, "Children of the living God."

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

All: Thanks be to God.

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Psalm 85

You have been gracious to your land, O Lord, *
you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.

You have forgiven all the iniquity of your people *
and blotted out all their sins.

You have withdrawn all your fury *
and turned yourself from your wrathful indignation.

Restore us then, O God our Saviour; *
let your anger depart from us.

Will you be displeased with us for ever? *
Will you prolong your anger from age to age?

Will you not give us life again, *
that your people may rejoice in you?

Show us your mercy, O Lord, *
and grant us your salvation.

I will listen to what you, Lord God, are saying, *
for you are speaking peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to you.

Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you, *
that your glory may dwell in our land.

Mercy and truth have met together; *
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Truth shall spring up from the earth, *
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

Lord, you will indeed grant prosperity, *
and our land will yield its increase.

Righteousness shall go before you, *
and peace shall be a pathway for your feet.

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Deuxième Lecture Colossiens 2:6-5 (16-19)

LECTURE DE LA LETTRE DE PAUL AUX COLOSSIENS.

Ainsi, puisque vous avez reçu Jésus Christ comme Seigneur, vivez unis à lui. Soyez enracinés en lui et construisez toute votre vie sur lui. Soyez toujours plus fermes dans la foi, conformément à l'enseignement que vous avez reçu, et soyez pleins de reconnaissance. Prenez garde que personne ne fasse de vous sa proie, par une philosophie aux arguments vides de sens ; elle se fonde sur des traditions humaines et sur les forces qui gouvernent ce monde, et non sur le Christ. Car tout ce qui est en Dieu a pris corps dans le Christ, et habite pleinement en lui ; et c'est par lui que vous avez tout reçu pleinement. Il est le chef de toute autorité et de tout pouvoir.

Dans l'union avec lui, vous avez été circoncis, non pas de la circoncision faite par des mains humaines, mais de la circoncision qui vient du Christ et qui nous délivre de notre être pécheur. En effet, quand vous avez été baptisés, vous avez été mis au tombeau avec le Christ, et vous êtes aussi ressuscités avec lui parce que vous avez cru en la puissance de Dieu qui l'a ressuscité d'entre les morts. Autrefois, vous étiez comme morts à cause de vos fautes ; vous étiez des incirconcis, des païens. Mais maintenant, Dieu vous a fait revivre avec le Christ. Il nous a pardonné toutes nos fautes. Il a annulé le document qui nous accusait et qui nous était contraire par ses dispositions légales. Il a supprimé ce document, il l'a cloué sur la croix. C'est ainsi que Dieu a désarmé les autorités et les pouvoirs spirituels ; il les a donnés publiquement en spectacle, en les emmenant comme prisonniers dans le cortège triomphal de son Fils.

[Ainsi, ne laissez personne vous juger à propos de ce que vous mangez ou de ce que vous buvez, ou pour une question de fête, de nouvelle lune ou de jours de sabbat. Tout cela n'est que l'ombre des biens à venir ; mais la réalité, c'est le Christ. Ne vous laissez pas condamner par des gens qui prennent plaisir à des pratiques extérieures soi-disant humbles et au culte des anges, et qui attachent beaucoup d'importance à leurs visions. De tels êtres sont enflés d'un vain orgueil par leur façon toute humaine de penser ; ils ne restent pas attachés au Christ, qui est la tête. C'est pourtant grâce au Christ que le corps entier est nourri et qu'il est bien uni par ses jointures et ses articulations ; ainsi il grandit comme Dieu le veut.]

Sainte Parole, Sainte Sagesse : Nous rendons Grâce à Dieu.

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Gospel Luke 11:1-13

God be with you.

All: And also with you.

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO LUKE.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial." And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

The Gospel of Christ!

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

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