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First Reading JEREMIAH 8:18-9:1

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF JEREMIAH.

My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick. Hark, the cry of my poor people from far and wide in the land: Is the Lord not in Zion? Is her King not in her? ("Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?") The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt, I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me. Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored? O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of my poor people!

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

All: Thanks be to God.

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Psalm 79:1–9

Refrain: Help us, God our Saviour, for the glory of your name.

O God, the heathen have come into your inheritance; they have profaned your holy temple;

they have made Jerusalem a heap of rubble.

They have given the bodies of your servants as food for the birds of the air, and the flesh of your faithful ones to the beasts of the field. R.

They have shed their blood like water on every side of Jerusalem, and there was no one to bury them.

We have become a reproach to our neighbours, an object of scorn and derision to those around us. R.

How long will you be angry, O Lord?

will your fury blaze like fire forever?

Pour out your wrath upon the heathen who have not known you

And upon the kingdoms that have not called upon your Name.

For they have devoured Jacob

And made his dwelling a ruin. R

Remember not our past sins; let your compassion be swift to meet us; for we have been brought very low.

Help us, O God our Saviour for the glory of your Name;

Deliver us and forgive us our sins, for your Name's sake. R.

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Deuxième Lecture 1 TIMOTHÉE 2:1-7

LECTURE DE LA PREMIÈRE LETTRE DE PAUL À TIMOTHÉE

J'exhorte donc, avant toutes choses, à faire des prières, des supplications, des requêtes, des actions de grâces, pour tous les hommes, pour les rois et pour tous ceux qui sont élevés en dignité, afin que nous menions une vie paisible et tranquille, en toute piété et honnêteté. Cela est bon et agréable devant Dieu notre Sauveur, qui veut que tous les hommes soient sauvés et parviennent à la connaissance de la vérité. Car il y a un seul Dieu, et aussi un seul médiateur entre Dieu et les hommes, Jésus Christ homme, qui s'est donné lui-même en rançon pour tous. C'est là le témoignage rendu en son propre temps, et pour lequel j'ai été établi prédicateur et apôtre, -je dis la vérité, je ne mens pas, -chargé d'instruire les païens dans la foi et la vérité.

Sainte Parole, Sainte Sagesse

Nous rendons Grâce à Dieu.

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Gospel LUKE 16:1-13

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!

Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

The Gospel of Christ!

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

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