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First Reading Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ISAIAH.

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation - I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

All: Thanks be to God.

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Psalm 50:1-8, 23-24

The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken *
and has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, *
God reveals the divine glory.

Our God will come and will not keep silence; *
before whom there is a consuming flame, and round about whom a raging storm.

God calls the heavens and the earth from above *
to witness the judgement of this people.

“Gather before me my loyal followers, *
those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice.”

Let the heavens declare the rightness of the divine cause; *
for God, God alone, is judge.

“Hear, O my people, and I will speak: O Israel, I will bear witness against you; *
for I am God, your God.

I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; *
your offerings are always before me.

Consider this well, you who forget God, *
lest I rend you and there be none to deliver you.

Whoever offers me the sacrifice of thanksgiving honours me; *
but to those who keep in my way will I show the salvation of God.”

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Deuxième Lecture Hébreux 11:1-3, 8-16

LECTURE DE LA LETTRE DE PAUL AUX HÉBREUX.

Mettre sa foi en Dieu, c'est être sûr de ce que l'on espère, c'est être convaincu de la réalité de ce que l'on ne voit pas. C'est par leur foi que les hommes et les femmes d'autrefois ont été approuvés par Dieu.

Par la foi, nous comprenons que l'univers a été formé par la parole de Dieu, de sorte que ce qui est visible a été fait à partir de ce qui est invisible. Par la foi, Abraham obéit quand Dieu l'appela : il partit pour un pays que Dieu allait lui donner en possession. Il partit sans savoir où il allait. Par la foi, il vécut comme un étranger dans le pays que Dieu lui avait promis. Il habita sous la tente, ainsi qu'Isaac et Jacob, qui devinrent tous deux héritiers de la même promesse de Dieu. Car Abraham attendait la cité qui a de solides fondations, celle dont Dieu est l'architecte et le constructeur.

Par la foi, Sara elle-même, bien que stérile, fut rendue capable d'avoir une descendance, alors qu'elle avait passé l'âge d'être enceinte. En effet elle eut la certitude que Dieu serait fidèle à sa promesse. C'est ainsi qu'à partir d'un seul homme, Abraham, pourtant déjà en âge de mourir, sont nés des descendants nombreux comme les étoiles dans les cieux, innombrables comme les grains de sable au bord de la mer.

C'est dans la foi que tous ces gens sont morts. Ils n'ont pas reçu les biens que Dieu avait promis, mais ils les ont vus et salués de loin. Ils ont ouvertement reconnu qu'ils étaient des étrangers et des gens de passage sur la terre. En reconnaissant cela, ils montrent ainsi clairement qu'ils recherchent un pays qui serait le leur. S'ils avaient pensé avec regret à celui qu'ils avaient quitté, ils auraient eu l'occasion d'y retourner. En réalité, ils désiraient un pays meilleur que celui-ci et qui se trouverait dans les cieux. C'est pourquoi Dieu n'a pas honte d'être appelé leur Dieu ; en effet, il leur a préparé une cité.

Sainte Parole, Sainte Sagesse

Nous rendons Grâce à Dieu.

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Gospel Luke 12:32-40

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 said, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

The Gospel of Christ!

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

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Volunteer List

Duty Warden	Dave Longworth
Communion Assistants	Kate Jordan x
Server	Pascal Nkunzimana
Intercessor	Sarah Keeshan (?)
Altar Guild	Meghan Kitt
Sound	Alan Rempel
Greeter	Siobhan Keegan
First Reader	x
Psalm Reader	x
Second Reader (French)	x
Singers	Derek Howes Israel Seminega x
Instrumentalist	Pat Howes
Coffee Hour	Lorna Unger Jordy Alpha Renguka
Prayer Team	x x

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