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First Reading Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS.

After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Then he said to him, "I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." But he said, "O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him. When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates."

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

All: Thanks be to God.

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Psalm 27

The Lord is my light and my salvation; *
whom then shall I fear?

The Lord is the strength of my life; *
of whom then shall I be afraid?

When evildoers came upon me to eat up my flesh, *
it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who stumbled and fell.

Though an army should encamp against me, *
yet my heart shall not be afraid;

and though war should rise up against me, *
yet will I put my trust in God.

One thing have I asked of the Lord; one thing I seek; *
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,

beholding the fair beauty of the Lord *
and seeking God in the temple.

For in the day of trouble, O God, you shall keep me safe in your shelter; *
you shall hide me in the secrecy of your dwelling and set me high upon a rock.

Even now you lift up my head *
above my enemies round about me.

Therefore I will offer in your dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; *
I will sing and make music to the Lord.

Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call; *
have mercy on me and answer me.

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You speak in my heart and say , "Seek my face." *
Your face, Lord, will I seek.

Hide not your face from me, *
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.

You have been my helper; cast me not away; *
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

Though my father and my mother forsake me, *
the Lord will sustain me.

Show me your way, O Lord; *
lead me on a level path, because of my enemies.

Deliver me not into the hand of my adversaries, *
for false witnesses have risen up against me, and also those who speak malice.

What if I had not believed that I should see the goodness of the Lord *
in the land of the living!

O tarry and await the pleasure of the Lord; be strong, and God shall comfort your heart;
*
wait patiently for the Lord.

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Deuxième Lecture Philippiens 3:17-4:1

LECTURE DE LA LETTRE DE PAUL AUX PHILIPPIENS.

Frères et sœurs, imitez-moi tous et regardez les personnes qui prennent modèle sur nous. Je vous l'ai déjà dit souvent et je vous le répète maintenant en pleurant : il y en a beaucoup qui se conduisent en ennemis de la croix du Christ. Ils courent à leur perte, car leur dieu c'est leur ventre ; ils tirent gloire de ce qui devrait leur faire honte et ils n'ont en tête que les choses de ce monde. Mais nous, nous sommes citoyens des cieux, d'où nous attendons que vienne notre sauveur, le Seigneur Jésus Christ. Il transformera notre misérable corps mortel pour le rendre semblable à son corps glorieux, grâce à la puissance qui lui permet de soumettre toutes choses à son autorité. Mes chers frères et sœurs, je désire tellement vous revoir ! Vous êtes ma joie et ma couronne ! Eh bien, très chers amis, tenez bons, restez unis avec le Seigneur.

Sainte Parole, Sainte Sagesse
Nous rendons Grâce à Dieu.

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Gospel Luke 13:31-35

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!

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to Jesus, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

The Gospel of Christ!

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

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