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For use with the First Lesson

Adapted from *The Vocabulary of the Church* (1960):

Kor'ah	KOR-uh
Da'than	DAY-thuhn
Abi'ram	uh-BIGH-ruhm
She'ol	SHEE-ol

The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from Numbers

And the LORD said to Moses and to Aaron, “Separate yourselves from among this congregation, that I may consume them in a moment.” And they fell on their faces, and said, “O God, the God of the spirits of all flesh, shall one man sin, and wilt thou be angry with all the congregation?” And the LORD said to Moses, “Say to the congregation, Get away from about the dwelling of Kor'ah, Da'than, and Abi'ram.” Then Moses rose and went to Da'than and Abi'ram; and the elders of Israel followed him. And he said to the congregation, “Depart, I pray you, from the tents of these wicked

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men, and touch nothing of theirs, lest you be swept away with all their sins.” So they got away from about the dwelling of Kor'ah, Da'than, and Abi'ram; and Da'than and Abi'ram came out and stood at the door of their tents, together with their wives, their sons, and their little ones. And Moses said, “Hereby you shall know that the LORD has sent me to do all these works, and that it has not been of my own accord. If these men die the common death of all men, or if they are visited by the fate of all men, then the LORD has not sent me. But if the LORD creates something new, and the ground opens its mouth, and swallows them up, with all that belongs to them, and they go down alive into She'ol, then you shall know that these men have despised the LORD.” And as he finished speaking all these words, the ground under them split asunder; and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed them up, with their households and all the men that belonged to Kor'ah and all their goods. So they and all that belonged to them went down alive into She'ol; and the earth closed over them, and they perished from the midst of the assembly. And all Israel that were round about them fled at their cry; for they said, “Lest the earth swallow us up!” And fire came forth from the

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LORD, and consumed the two hundred and fifty men offering the incense.

The Reader concludes

The Word of the Lord.

The Second Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the Gospel according to Luke

And every day Jesus was teaching in the temple, but at night he went out and lodged on the mount called Olivet. And early in the morning all the people came to him in the temple to hear him. Now the feast of Unleavened Bread drew near, which is called the Passover. And the chief priests and the scribes were seeking how to put him to death; for they feared the people. Then Satan entered into Judas called Iscariot, who was of the number of the twelve; he went away and conferred with the chief priests and officers how he might betray him to them. And they were glad, and engaged to give him money. So he agreed, and sought an opportunity to betray him to them in the absence of the multitude. Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the passover lamb had to be sacrificed. So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, “Go and prepare the passover for us, that we may eat it.”

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They said to him, “Where will you have us prepare it?” 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, and tell the householder, ‘The Teacher says to you, Where is the guest room, where I am to eat the passover with my disciples?’ And he will show you a large upper room furnished; there make ready.” And they went, and found it as he had told them; and they prepared the passover.

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