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The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the

First Letter of Paul to Timothy

Let all who are under the yoke of slavery regard their masters as worthy of all honor, so that the name of God and the teaching may not be defamed. Those who have believing masters must not be disrespectful on the ground that they are brethren; rather they must serve all the better since those who benefit by their service are believers and beloved. Teach and urge these duties. If any one teaches otherwise and does not agree with the sound words of our Lord Jesus Christ and the teaching which accords with godliness, he is puffed up with conceit, he knows nothing; he has a morbid craving for controversy and for disputes about words, which produce envy, dissension, slander, base suspicions, and wrangling among men who are depraved in mind and bereft of the truth, imagining that godliness is a means of gain. There is great gain in godliness with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the

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world; but if we have food and clothing, with these we shall be content. But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and hurtful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is the root of all evils; it is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced their hearts with many pangs. But as for you, man of God, shun all this; aim at righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

Psalm 49:1-9

The Reader says

Please join me in reading Psalm 49, verses 1 through 9, found in the red Prayer Book on page 652.

(The Reader repeats the above information as needed.)

- 1 Hear this, all you peoples; hearken, all you who dwell in the world, * you of high degree and low, rich and poor together.
- 2 My mouth shall speak of wisdom, * and my heart shall meditate on understanding.
- 3 I will incline my ear to a proverb * and set forth my riddle upon the harp.
- Why should I be afraid in evil days, *
 when the wickedness of those at my heels
 surrounds me,
- 5 The wickedness of those who put their trust in their goods, * and boast of their great riches?

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- 6 We can never ransom ourselves, * or deliver to God the price of our life;
- 7 For the ransom of our life is so great, * that we should never have enough to pay it,
- 8 In order to live for ever and ever, * and never see the grave.
- 9 For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stupid they perish * and leave their wealth to those who come after them.

The Gospel Acclamation

The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.

Reader Alleluia.

People Alleluia.

Reader The commandments of the Lord are

sure; *

they stand fast for ever and ever.

People Alleluia.

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The Reader returns to his or her seat.

The Holy Gospel

The Minister says The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Minister ★ The Holy Gospel of our Lord

Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Soon afterward Jesus went on through cities and villages, preaching and bringing the good news of the kingdom of God. And the twelve were with him, and also some women who had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary, called Mag'dalene, from whom seven demons had gone out, and Joan'na, the wife of Chu'za, Herod's steward, and Susanna, and many others, who provided for them out of their means. *The Minister says* The Gospel of the Lord.

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