

**YEAR 1, PROPER 22, SUNDAY:
EVENSONG & BENEDICTION**

For use with the First Lesson

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

Hosea	hoh-SAY-uh
E'phraim	EE-fray-im
She'ol	SHEE-ol

The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the Book of Hosea

I am the LORD your God from the land of Egypt; you know no God but me, and besides me there is no savior. It was I who knew you in the wilderness, in the land of drought; but when they had fed to the full, they were filled, and their heart was lifted up; therefore they forgot me. So I will be to them like a lion, like a leopard I will lurk beside the way. I will fall upon them like a bear robbed of her cubs, I will tear open their breast, and there I will devour them like a lion, as a wild beast would rend them. I will destroy you, O Israel; who can help you? Where now is your king, to save you; where are all your princes, to defend you—those of whom you said, “Give me a king and

princes”? I have given you kings in my anger, and I have taken them away in my wrath. The iniquity of E'phraim is bound up, his sin is kept in store. The pangs of childbirth come for him, but he is an unwise son; for now he does not present himself at the mouth of the womb. Shall I ransom them from the power of She'ol? Shall I redeem them from Death? O Death, where are your plagues? O She'ol, where is your destruction? Compassion is hid from my eyes.

The Reader concludes

The Word of the Lord.

For use with the Second Lesson

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

Na'in

Jude'a

NAY-in

juu-DEE-uh

The Second Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the Gospel According to Luke

Soon afterward Jesus went to a city called Na'in, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. As he drew near to the gate of the city, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a large crowd from

the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, “Do not weep.” And he came and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, “Young man, I say to you, arise.” And the dead man sat up, and began to speak. And he gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all; and they glorified God, saying, “A great prophet has arisen among us!” and “God has visited his people!” And this report concerning him spread through the whole of Jude'a and all the surrounding country.

The Reader concludes

The Word of the Lord.

At Eucharistic Benediction. The Reader begins

A Reading from the Psalms

The LORD swore to David a sure oath from which he will not turn back: “One of the sons of your body I will set on your throne. If your sons keep my covenant and my testimonies which I shall teach them, their sons also for ever shall sit upon your throne.” For the LORD has chosen Zion; he has desired it for his habitation: “This is my resting place for ever; here I will dwell, for I have desired it. I will abundantly bless her provisions; I will satisfy her poor with bread. Her

priests I will clothe with salvation, and her saints will shout for joy.”

No concluding versicle is added after the reading at Benediction.