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For use with the First Lesson

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

Jehoi'akim	ji-HOY-uh-kim
Nebuchadnezzar	ne-buh-kuhd-NEZ-ur
Shi'nar	SHIGH-nahr
Ash'penaz	ASH-puh-naz
Chalde'ans	kal-DEE-uhns
Hanani'ah	han-uh-NIGH-uh
Mish'a-el	MISH-i-el
Azari'ah	az-uh-RIGH-uh
Belteshazzar	bel-tuh-SHAZ-ur
Shad'rach	SHAD-rak
Me'shach	MEE-shak
Abed'nego	uh-BED-ni-go

The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the Book of Daniel

In the third year of the reign of Jehoi'akim king of Judah, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came to Jerusalem and besieged it. And the Lord gave Jehoi'akim king of Judah into his hand, with some of

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the vessels of the house of God; and he brought them to the land of Shi'nar, to the house of his god, and placed the vessels in the treasury of his god. Then the king commanded Ash'penaz, his chief eunuch, to bring some of the people of Israel, both of the royal family and of the nobility, youths without blemish, handsome and skilful in all wisdom, endowed with knowledge, understanding learning, and competent to serve in the king's palace, and to teach them the letters and language of the Chalde'ans. The king assigned them a daily portion of the rich food which the king ate, and of the wine which he drank. They were to be educated for three years, and at the end of that time they were to stand before the king. Among these were Daniel, Hanani'ah, Mish'a-el, and Azari'ah of the tribe of Judah. And the chief of the eunuchs gave them names: Daniel he called Belteshaz'zar, Hanani'ah he called Shadrach, Mish'a-el he called Meshach, and Azari'ah he called Abed'nego. But Daniel resolved that he would not defile himself with the king's rich food, or with the wine which he drank; therefore he asked the chief of the eunuchs to allow him not to defile himself. And God gave Daniel favor and compassion in the sight of the chief of the eunuchs; Then Daniel said to the steward whom the chief of the eunuchs had

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appointed over Daniel, Hanani'ah, Mish'a-el, and Azari'ah; "Test your servants for ten days; let us be given vegetables to eat and water to drink. Then let our appearance and the appearance of the youths who eat the king's rich food be observed by you, and according to what you see deal with your servants." So he hearkened to them in this matter, and tested them for ten days. At the end of ten days it was seen that they were better in appearance and fatter in flesh than all the youths who ate the king's rich food. So the steward took away their rich food and the wine they were to drink, and gave them vegetables. As for these four youths, God gave them learning and skill in all letters and wisdom; and Daniel had understanding in all visions and dreams. At the end of the time, when the king had commanded that they should be brought in, the chief of the eunuchs brought them in before Nebuchadnezzar. And the king spoke with them, and among them all none was found like Daniel, Hanani'ah, Mish'a-el, and Azari'ah; therefore they stood before the king. And in every matter of wisdom and understanding concerning which the king inquired of them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and enchanters that were in all his kingdom.

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And Daniel continued until the first year of King Cyrus.

The Reader concludes The Word of the Lord.

Psalm 24:1–6

The Reader says

Please join me in reading Psalm 24, verses 1 through 6, found in the red Prayer Book on page 613.

(The Reader repeats the above information as needed.)

- 1 The earth is the LORD’S and all that is in it, *
 the world and all who dwell therein.
- 2 For it is he who founded it upon the seas *
 and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.
- 3 “Who can ascend the hill of the LORD? *
 and who can stand in his holy place?”
- 4 “Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, *
 who have not pledged themselves to falsehood,
 nor sworn by what is a fraud.

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- 5 They shall receive a blessing from the LORD *
 and a just reward from the God of their
 salvation.”
- 6 Such is the generation of those who seek him, *
 of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.

The Gospel Acclamation

The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.

Reader Alleluia.

People Alleluia.

Reader Blessed is the kingdom of our father
 David that is coming; *
 blessed is he who comes in the name of
 the Lord.

People Alleluia.

The Reader returns to his or her seat.

Please turn the page for the Gospel Lesson.

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.

Jesus looked up and saw the rich putting their gifts into the treasury; and he saw a poor widow put in two copper coins. And he said to his disciples in the hearing of all the people, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all of them; for they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty put in all the living that she had.”

The Minister says

The Gospel of the Lord.

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