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For use with the First Lesson

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

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| Athali'ah | ath-uh-LIGH-uh |
| Ahazi'ah | ay-huh-ZIGH-uh |
| Jehosh'eba | ju-HAHSH-i-buh |
| Jor'am | JOHR-uhm |
| Jo'ash | JOH-ash |
| Car'ites | KAR-i-teez |
| Jehoi'ada | juh-HOY-ah-duh |

The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the Second Book of the Kings

Now when Athali'ah the mother of Ahazi'ah saw that her son was dead, she arose and destroyed all the royal family. But Jehosh'eba, the daughter of King Jor'am, sister of Ahazi'ah, took Jo'ash the son of Ahazi'ah, and stole him away from among the king's sons who were about to be slain, and she put him and his nurse in a bedchamber. Thus she hid him from Athali'ah, so that

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he was not slain; and he remained with her six years, hid in the house of the LORD, while Athali'ah reigned over the land. But in the seventh year Jehoi'ada sent and brought the captains of the Car'ites and of the guards, and had them come to him in the house of the LORD; and he made a covenant with them and put them under oath in the house of the LORD, and he showed them the king's son. The captains did according to all that Jehoi'ada the priest commanded, and each brought his men who were to go off duty on the sabbath, with those who were to come on duty on the sabbath, and came to Jehoi'ada the priest. And the priest delivered to the captains the spears and shields that had been King David's, which were in the house of the LORD; and the guards stood, every man with his weapons in his hand, from the south side of the house to the north side of the house, around the altar and the house. Then he brought out the king's son, and put the crown upon him, and gave him the testimony; and they proclaimed him king, and anointed him; and they clapped their hands, and said, "Long live the king!" When Athali'ah heard the noise of the guard and of the people, she went into the house of the LORD to

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the people; and when she looked, there was the king standing by the pillar, according to the custom, and the captains and the trumpeters beside the king, and all the people of the land rejoicing and blowing trumpets. And Athali'ah rent her clothes, and cried, "Treason! Treason!" Then Jehoi'ada the priest commanded the captains who were set over the army, "Bring her out between the ranks; and slay with the sword any one who follows her." For the priest said, "Let her not be slain in the house of the LORD." So they laid hands on her; and she went through the horses' entrance to the king's house, and there she was slain. And Jehoi'ada made a covenant between the LORD and the king and people, that they should be the LORD's people.
The Reader concludes The Word of the Lord.

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Psalm 132:11–19

The Reader says

Please join me in reading Psalm 132, verses 11 through 19, found in the red Prayer Book beginning on page 786.

(The Reader repeats the above information as needed.)

11 The LORD has sworn an oath to David; *
in truth, he will not break it:

12 “A son, the fruit of your body *
will I set upon your throne.

13 If your children keep my covenant
and my testimonies that I shall teach them, *
their children will sit upon your throne for
evermore.”

14 For the LORD has chosen Zion; *
he has desired her for his habitation:

15 “This shall be my resting-place for ever; *
here will I dwell, for I delight in her.

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- 16 I will surely bless her provisions, *
and satisfy her poor with bread.
- 17 I will clothe her priests with salvation, *
and her faithful people will rejoice and sing.
- 18 There will I make the horn of David flourish; *
I have prepared a lamp for my Anointed.
- 19 As for his enemies, I will clothe them with
shame; *
but as for him, his crown will shine.”

Please turn the page to lead the Gospel Acclamation.

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The Gospel Acclamation

The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.

Reader Alleluia.

People Alleluia.

Reader Open my eyes, O Lord, *
that I may see the wonders of your law.

People Alleluia.

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
Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the crowds and to his disciples, “And when you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by men. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and

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wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by men but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is sound, your whole body will be full of light; but if your eye is not sound, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!”

The Minister says The Gospel of the Lord.

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