YEAR 2, PROPER 23, TUESDAY: MASS

The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Galatians

For freedom Christ has set us free; stand fast therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. Now I, Paul, say to you that if you receive circumcision, Christ will be of no advantage to you. I testify again to every man who receives circumcision that he is bound to keep the whole law. You are severed from Christ, you who would be justified by the law; you have fallen away from grace. For through the Spirit, by faith, we wait for the hope of righteousness. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is of any avail, but faith working through love. You were running well; who hindered you from obeying the truth? This persuasion is not from him who calls you. A little leaven leavens the whole lump. I have confidence in the Lord that you will take no other view than mine; and he who is troubling you will bear his judgment, whoever he is. But if I, brethren, still preach circumcision, why am I still persecuted? In that case the stumbling block of

YEAR 2, PROPER 23, TUESDAY: MASS GALATIANS 5:1–14*; PSALM 119:41–48; LUKE 11:37–41 the cross has been removed. I wish those who unsettle you would mutilate themselves! For you were called to freedom, brethren; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love be servants of one another. For the whole law is fulfilled in one word, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." *The Reader concludes* The Word of the Lord.

Psalm 119:41-48

The Reader says

Please join me in reading Psalm 119, verses 41 through 48, found in the red Prayer Book beginning on page 766.

(The Reader repeats the above information as needed.)

- 41 Let your loving-kindness come to me, O LORD, * and your salvation, according to your promise.
- 42 Then shall I have a word for those who taunt me, *
 because I trust in your words.

- 43 Do not take the word of truth out of my mouth, * for my hope is in your judgments.
- 44 I shall continue to keep your law; * I shall keep it for ever and ever.
- 45 I will walk at liberty, * because I study your commandments.
- 46 I will tell of your decrees before kings * and will not be ashamed.
- 47 I delight in your commandments, * which I have always loved.
- 48 I will lift up my hands to your commandments, * and I will meditate on your statutes.

Please turn the page to lead the Gospel Acclamation.

The Gospel Acclamation

The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.

Reader Alleluia.

People Alleluia.

Reader The Lord is faithful in all his words *

and merciful in all his deeds.

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 Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

While Jesus was speaking, a Pharisee asked him to dine with him; so he went in and sat at table. The Pharisee was astonished to see that he did not first wash before dinner. And the Lord said to him, "Now you Pharisees cleanse the outside of the cup and of the dish, but inside you are full of extortion and wickedness. You fools! Did not he who made the outside make the

YEAR 2, PROPER 23, TUESDAY: MASS GALATIANS 5:1–14*; PSALM 119:41–48; LUKE 11:37–41 inside also? But give for alms those things which are within; and behold, everything is clean for you."

The Minister says

The Gospel of the Lord.