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The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. But fornication and all impurity or covetousness must not even be named among you, as is fitting among saints. Let there be no filthiness, nor silly talk, nor levity, which are not fitting; but instead let there be thanksgiving. Be sure of this, that no fornicator or impure man, or one who is covetous (that is, an idolater), has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. Let no one deceive you with empty words, for it is because of these things that the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. Therefore do not associate with them, for once you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord; walk as children of light (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), and try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord.

The Reader concludes The Word of the Lord.

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Psalm 37:27-33

The Reader says Please join me in reading Psalm 37, verses 27 through 33, found in the red Prayer Book on page 635. (The Reader repeats the above information as needed.)

- 27 The righteous are always generous in their lending, *and their children shall be a blessing.
- 28 Turn from evil, and do good, * and dwell in the land for ever.
- 29 For the LORD loves justice; * he does not forsake his faithful ones.
- 30 They shall be kept safe for ever, * but the offspring of the wicked shall be destroyed.
- 31 The righteous shall possess the land * and dwell in it for ever.
- 32 The mouth of the righteous utters wisdom, * and their tongue speaks what is right.

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33 The law of their God is in their heart, * and their footsteps shall not falter.

The Gospel Acclamation

| Reader | - Alleluia. |
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| People | Alleluia. |
| Reader | Worship the Lord, O Jerusalem; * |
| | praise your God, O Zion. |
| People | Alleluia. |

The Reader returns to his or her seat.

The Holy Gospel

| The Minister says | The Lord be with you. |
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| People | And also with you. |
| Minister | The Holy Gospel of our Lord |
| | Jesus Christ according to Luke. |
| People | Glory to you, Lord Christ. |

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And there was a woman who had had a spirit of infirmity for eighteen years; she was bent over and could not fully straighten herself. And when Jesus saw her, he called her and said to her, "Woman, you

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are freed from your infirmity." And he laid his hands upon her, and immediately she was made straight, and she praised God. But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the sabbath, said to the people, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be healed, and not on the sabbath day." Then the Lord answered him, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his ass from the manger, and lead it away to water it? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?" As he said this, all his adversaries were put to shame; and all the people rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by him.

The Minister says

The Gospel of the Lord.

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