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The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the Book of Job

"Oh that my words were written! Oh that they were inscribed in a book! Oh that with an iron pen and lead they were graven in the rock for ever! For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at last he will stand upon the earth; and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then from my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another."

The Reader concludes

The Word of the Lord.

Psalm 17:1-8

The Reader says

Please join me in reading Psalm 17, verses 1 through 8, found in the red Prayer Book beginning on page 600. (The Reader repeats the above information as needed.)

1 Hear my plea of innocence, O LORD; give heed to my cry; *
listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.

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- 2 Let my vindication come forth from your presence; * let your eyes be fixed on justice.
- Weigh my heart, summon me by night, * melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.
- 4 I give no offense with my mouth as others do; * I have heeded the words of your lips.
- 5 My footsteps hold fast to the ways of your law; * in your paths my feet shall not stumble.
- 6 I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; * incline your ear to me and hear my words.
- 7 Show me your marvelous loving-kindness, *
 O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand
 from those who rise up against them.
- 8 Keep me as the apple of your eye; * hide me under the shadow of your wings.

The Second Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the

Second Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians

But we are bound to give thanks to God always for you, brethren beloved by the Lord, because God chose you from the beginning to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth. To this he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brethren, stand firm and hold to the traditions which you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by letter. Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word. Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed on and triumph, as it did among you, and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men; for not all have faith. But the Lord is faithful; he will strengthen you and guard you from evil. And we have confidence in the Lord about you, that you are doing and will do the things which we

command. May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ.

The Reader concludes The Word of the Lord.

The Gospel Acclamation

The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.

Reader Alleluia.

People Alleluia.

Reader Be watchful and ready, *

for you know not when the Son of Man

is coming.

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.

There came to Jesus some Sadducees, those who say that there is no resurrection, and they asked him a

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The Minister says The Gospel of the Lord.