AUGUST 30, CHARLES CHAPMAN GRAFTON, BISHOP AND ECUMENIST, 1912: MASS

The First Lesson. The Reader begins A Reading from Ecclesiasticus

Then the sons of Aaron shouted, they sounded the trumpets of hammered work, they made a great noise to be heard for remembrance before the Most High. Then all the people together made haste and fell to the ground upon their faces to worship their Lord, the Almighty, God Most High. And the singers praised him with their voices in sweet and full-toned melody. And the people besought the Lord Most High in prayer before him who is merciful, till the order of worship of the Lord was ended; so they completed his service. Then Simon came down, and lifted up his hands over the whole congregation of the sons of Israel, to pronounce the blessing of the Lord with his lips, and to glory in his name; and they bowed down in worship a second time, to receive the blessing from the Most High.

The Reader concludes The Word of the Lord.

Psalm 134

At Said Mass the Reader says Please join me in reading Psalm 134, found in the red Prayer Book on page 787. (The Reader repeats the above information as needed.)

At Sung Mass the Reader says

Please join me in reading Psalm 134 as found in the service bulletin.

- Behold now, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD, * you that stand by night in the house of the LORD.
- Lift up your hands in the holy place and bless the LORD; * the LORD who made heaven and earth bless you out of Zion.

The Gospel Acclamation

The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.		
Reader	Alleluia.	
People	Alleluia.	
Reader	In Christ God was reconciling the world to	
	himself, *	
	and gave us the ministry of reconciliation.	
People	Alleluia.	
The Reader returns to his or her seat.		

The Holy Gospel

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

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. He who is a hireling and not a shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees; and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. He flees because he is a hireling and cares nothing for the sheep. I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep, that are not of this fold; I must bring them also, and they will heed my voice. So there shall be one flock, one shepherd." *The Minister says* The Gospel of the Lord.