## Year 2, Proper 22, Friday: Mass

*The First Lesson. The Reader begins*

## A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Galatians

So you see that it is men of faith who are the sons of Abraham. And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying, “In you shall all the nations be blessed.” So then, those who are men of faith are blessed with Abraham who had faith. For all who rely on works of the law are under a curse; for it is written, “Cursed be every one who does not abide by all things written in the book of the law, and do them.” Now it is evident that no man is justified before God by the law; for “He who through faith is righteous shall live”; but the law does not rest on faith, for “He who does them shall live by them.” Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us—for it is written, “Cursed be every one who hangs on a tree”—that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

*The Reader concludes* The Word of the Lord.

**Psalm 111:4–10**

*The Reader says*

Please join me in reading Psalm 111, verses 4 through 10, found in the red Prayer Book beginning on page 754.

*(The Reader repeats the above information as needed.)*

4 He makes his marvelous works to be

remembered;\*

 the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

5 . He gives food to those who fear him; \*

 he is ever mindful of his covenant.

6 He has shown his people the power of his works \*

 in giving them the lands of the nations.

7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and

justice; \*

 all his commandments are sure.

8 They stand fast for ever and ever, \*

 because they are done in truth and equity.

9 He sent redemption to his people;

he commanded his covenant for ever; \*

 holy and awesome is his Name.

10. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of

wisdom;\*

 those who act accordingly have a good

understanding;

 his praise endures for ever.

*The Reader says*

Please stand for the Gospel.

## The Gospel Acclamation

*The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.*

*Reader* Alleluia.

*People* Alleluia.

*Reader*  Your word is a lantern to my feet \*

 and a light upon my path.

*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.

Jesus was casting out a demon that was dumb; when the demon had gone out, the dumb man spoke, and the people marveled. But some of them said, “He casts out demons by Be-el'zebul, the prince of demons”; while others, to test him, sought from him a sign from heaven. But he, knowing their thoughts, said to them, “Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste, and a divided household falls. And if Satan also is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? For you say that I cast out demons by Be-el'zebul. And if I cast out demons by Be-el'zebul, by whom do your sons cast them out? Therefore they shall be your judges. But if it is by the finger of God that I cast out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you. When a strong man, fully armed, guards his own palace, his goods are in peace; but when one stronger than he assails him and overcomes him, he takes away his armor in which he trusted, and divides his spoil. He who is not with me is against me, and he who does not gather with me scatters. When the unclean spirit has gone out of a man, he passes through waterless places seeking rest; and finding none he says, ‘I will return to my house from which I came.’ And when he comes he finds it swept and put in order. Then he goes and brings seven other spirits more evil than himself, and they enter and dwell there; and the last state of that man becomes worse than the first.”

*The Minister says*  The Gospel of the Lord.