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The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

Thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: “Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. ² When you pass through the waters I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. ³ For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. ⁴ Because you are precious in my eyes, and honored, and I love you, I give men in return for you, peoples in exchange for your life. ⁵ Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; ⁶ I will say to the north, ‘Give up’, and to the south, ‘Do not withhold; bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the end of the earth, ⁷ every one who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.’”

The Reader concludes The Word of the Lord.

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Psalm 29

The Said Mass Reader says:

Please join me in reading Psalm 29, found in the red Prayer Book beginning on page 620.

The Reader repeats the above information several times.

- ¹ Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, *
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- ² Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; *
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
- ³ The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders; *
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
- ⁴ The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; *
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.
- ⁵ The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; *
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- ⁶ He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, *
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- ⁷ The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire;
the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; *
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Ka'desh.

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⁸ The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe
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and strips the forests bare.

⁹ And in the temple of the LORD *
all are crying, “Glory!”

¹⁰ The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; *
the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.

¹¹ The LORD shall give strength to his people; *
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of
peace.

The Second Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent to them Peter and John, ¹⁵ who came down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit; ¹⁶ for it had not yet fallen on any of them, but they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. ¹⁷ Then they laid their hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.

The Reader concludes The Word of the Lord.

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Verse before the Gospel

All stand as the reader leads the appointed acclamation.

Reader Alleluia.

People Alleluia.

Reader All you who were baptized into Christ*
have clothed yourselves with Christ.

People Alleluia.

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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.

As the people were in expectation, and all men questioned in their hearts concerning John, whether perhaps he were the Christ, ¹⁶ John answered them all, “I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming, the thong of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. ¹⁷ His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor, and to gather the wheat into his granary, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

¹⁸ So, with many other exhortations, he preached good news to the people. ¹⁹ But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reproved by him for Herodias, his brother’s wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done, ²⁰ added this to them all, that he shut up John in prison.

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²¹ Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²² and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form, as a dove, and a voice came from heaven, “Thou art my beloved Son; with thee I am well pleased.”

The Minister says The Gospel of the Lord.