

The First Reading is from the 2nd Book of KINGS, Chapter 4 beginning at the 42nd verse:-

⁴² A man came from Baal-shalishah bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." ⁴³ But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD: They shall eat and have some left." ⁴⁴ He set it before them; they ate and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

Hear the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

2 Kings 4.42-44

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10 All creation praises you, O Lord:
and your faithful servants bless your name.

**11 They speak of the glory of your kingdom:
and tell of your great might,**

12 That the whole earth may know your mighty acts:
and the glorious splendour of your kingdom.

**13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom:
and your dominion endures through all generations.**

14 The Lord upholds all those who stumble:
and raises up those that are bowed down.

**15 The eyes of all look to you in hope:
and you give them their food in due season;**

16 You open wide your hand:
and fill all things living with your bounteous gift.

**17 The Lord is just in all his ways:
and faithful in all his dealings.**

18 The Lord is near to all who call upon him:
to all who call upon him in truth.

The Second Reading is from the Letter of Paul to the EPHESIANS Chapter 3, beginning at the 14th verse:-

¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. ¹⁶I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit ¹⁷and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. ¹⁸I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

²⁰Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Ephesians 3.14-21

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The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to JOHN Chapter 6 beginning at the first verse:-

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

6 After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. **2** A large crowd kept following him because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. **3** Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. **4** Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. **5** When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?” **6** He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. **7** Philip answered him, “Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.” **8** One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him, **9** “There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?” **10** Jesus said, “Make the people sit down.” Now there was a great deal of grass in the place, so they sat down, about five thousand in all. **11** Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. **12** When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, “Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.” **13** So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. **14** When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, “This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.”

15 When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

16 When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, **17** got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. **18** The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. **19** When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. **20** But he said to them, “It is I; do not be afraid.” **21** Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

For the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ

John 6.1-21