



LECTIONARY

FIRST READING

AMOS 8:4-7

Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practice deceit with false balances, buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat." The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

Lector: **Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.**

People: **Thanks be to God**

PSALM 113

¹ Hallelujah!

Give praise, you servants of the Lord; *
praise the Name of the Lord.

² Let the Name of the Lord be blessed, *
from this time forth for evermore.

³ From the rising of the sun to its going down *
let the Name of the Lord be praised.

⁴ The Lord is high above all nations, *
and his glory above the

heavens.

⁵ Who is like the Lord our God, who sits enthroned on high *
but stoops to behold the heavens and the earth?

⁶ He takes up the weak out of the dust *
and lifts up the poor from the ashes.

⁷ He sets them with the princes, *
with the princes of his people.

⁸ He makes the woman of a childless house *
to be a joyful mother of children.

SECOND READING

1 TIMOTHY 2:1-7

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Lector: **Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.**

People: **Thanks be to God**

Sequence

Hymn: *“Lord, We have Come at Your Own Invitation”* #348

Priest: *The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.*

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

GOSPEL

LUKE 16:1-13

Then Jesus said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.’ Then the manager said to himself, ‘What will I do, now that my master is taking the position

away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.’ So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, ‘How much



do you owe my master?’ He answered, ‘A hundred jugs of olive oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.’ Then he asked another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He replied, ‘A hundred containers of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill and make it eighty.’ And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. “Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

Priest: *The Gospel of the Lord.*

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

Prayers of the People

After the lay leader has said the first prayer, please feel free, as the spirit moves you, to say the next prayer. If two or more start together please continue together

**Please respond to each of these prayers with the phrase:
Christ hear us!**

Let us pray for the Episcopal Church and Michael Curry our presiding Bishop, may God inspire us all to a deeper walk with Christ;
We Pray... **Christ hear us!**

We pray also for all in the Episcopal Diocese of Arizona, especially our brothers and sisters at St. Peter's in Casa Grande;
We pray. . . **Christ hear us!**

Let us pray for the members of our Armed Forces who are missing in action or prisoners of war, may they soon be returned to their families and loved ones;
We pray. . . **Christ hear us!**

We pray for our Armed Forces, for their safety and the wellbeing of their families and loved ones;
We pray. . . **Christ hear us!**

Let us place before God the many violent conflicts and political tensions around the world, asking God to bless us with a dedication to peaceful resolutions;
We pray. . . **Christ hear us!**

We pray for Sierra Vista and our surrounding area, asking God's healing and justice for the victims of sexual assault;
We pray. . . **Christ hear us!**

Let us pray for those who are poor, sick, mourning or experiencing any kind of suffering. Please say aloud the names of any for whom you wish to pray;
Pause for people to mention names then say:
We pray. . . **Christ hear us!**

Let us pray for our friends and loved ones, who have departed this life, may they enjoy the glory of the heavenly city. Please say the names of any for whom you wish to pray;
Pause for people to mention names then say:
We pray. . . **Christ hear us!**