



LECTIONARY

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 42:1-9

“Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching.” Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: “I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.”

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

People: **Thanks be to God**

PSALM 29

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 wilder-

ness of Kadesh.
8 The voice of the Lord
makes the oak trees writhe *
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.

SECOND READING

ACTS 10:34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of

the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

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

People: **Thanks be to God**

Sequence Hymn: “*Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove*” #510

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

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



GOSPEL

MATTHEW 3:13-17

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

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 worldwide Anglican Communion especially the Church of Kyushu, Japan;
We Pray... **Christ hear us!**

We pray also for all in the Episcopal Diocese of Arizona, especially Church of Our Savior, Lakeside;
We pray. . . **Christ hear us!**

Let us pray for our nation, asking God to bless the victims of violence with healing and bless us as a people with the drive to curb this scourge;
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 pray for our world, asking God to inspire world leaders to greater cooperation;
We pray. . . **Christ hear us!**

We pray for Sierra Vista and our surrounding area, may God bless our community with a spirit of unity and respect;
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!**