



LECTIONARY

FIRST READING

EXODUS 24:12-18

The Lord said to Moses, “Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.” So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, “Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.” Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

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

People: **Thanks be to God**

PSALM 99

1 The Lord is King;
let the people tremble; *
he is enthroned upon the
cherubim; let the earth
shake.

2 The Lord is great in Zi-
on; *
he is high above all peo-
ples.

3 Let them confess his
Name, which is great and

awesome; *

he is the Holy One.

4 “O mighty King, lover of
justice,
you have established equi-
ty; *

you have executed justice
and righteousness in Ja-
cob.”

5 Proclaim the greatness of
the Lord our God
and fall down before his

footstool; *
he is the Holy One.
6 Moses and Aaron among
his priests, and Samuel
among those who call up-
on his Name, *
they called upon the Lord,
and he answered them.
7 He spoke to them out of
the pillar of cloud; *
they kept his testimonies
and the decree that he gave

them.
8 “O Lord our God, you
answered them indeed; *
you were a God who for-
gave them, yet punished
them for their evil deeds.”
9 Proclaim the greatness of
the Lord our God and wor-
ship him upon his holy
hill; *
for the Lord our God is the
Holy One.

SECOND READING

2 PETER 1:16-21

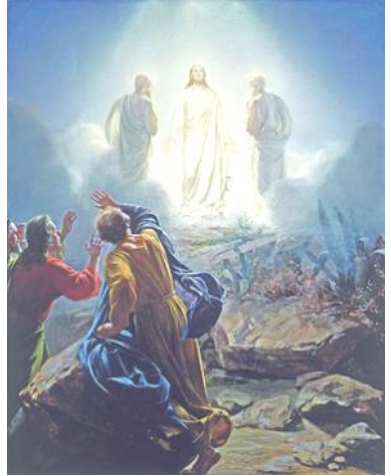
For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, “This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.” We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one’s own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
People: Thanks be to God

Sequence Hymn: “ *Christ Upon the Mountain Peak* ” #129

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

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



GOSPEL

MATTHEW 17:1-9

Six days after Peter had acknowledged Jesus as the Christ, the Son of the living God, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, “This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!” When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Get up and do not be afraid.” And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, “Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.”

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 diocese of Canterbury in England;

We Pray . . . **Christ hear us!**

We pray also for all in the Episcopal Diocese of Arizona, especially St. Andrew's in Nogales;

We pray. . . **Christ hear us!**

Let us pray for our nation, may God bless and inspire our national leaders to work for the common good;

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's blessings and healing presence for the victims of natural disasters;

We pray. . . **Christ hear us!**

We pray for Sierra Vista and our surrounding area, may the children be blessed with inspiration and joy;

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!**