



## LECTIONARY

## FIRST READING

## ACTS 2:14A, 22-32

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know—this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, ‘I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’ Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, ‘He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.’ This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.”

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

People: **Thanks be to God**

## PSALM 16

1 Protect me, O God, for I  
take refuge in you; \*  
I have said to the Lord,  
“You are my Lord,

my good above all other.”  
2 All my delight is upon the  
godly that are in the land, \*  
upon those who are noble  
among the people.

3 But those who run after  
other gods \*  
shall have their troubles  
multiplied.  
4 Their libations of blood I  
will not offer, \*  
nor take the names of their  
gods upon my lips.  
5 O Lord, you are my por-  
tion and my cup; \*  
it is you who uphold my lot.  
6 My boundaries enclose a  
pleasant land; \*  
indeed, I have a goodly her-  
itage.  
7 I will bless the Lord who  
gives me counsel; \*  
my heart teaches me, night  
after night.

8 I have set the Lord always  
before me; \*  
because he is at my right  
hand I shall not fall.  
9 My heart, therefore, is  
glad, and my spirit rejoices; \*  
my body also shall rest in  
hope.  
10 For you will not abandon  
me to the grave, \*  
nor let your holy one see the  
Pit.  
11 You will show me the  
path of life; \*  
in your presence there is  
fullness of joy, and in your  
right hand are pleasures for  
evermore.

## SECOND READING

### 1 PETER 1:3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

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

People: **Thanks be to God**

Sequence Hymn: *"Breathe o Me, Breath of God"*

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

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



## GOSPEL

### JOHN 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

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 Kenya;

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

We pray also for all in the Episcopal Diocese of Arizona, especially the parish of St. Jude in Phoenix;

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 inspiration for the calming of international tensions;

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

We pray for Sierra Vista and our surrounding area, may God bless us with a quiet and safe fire season;

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!**