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| Job 19:  1, 23-27  Selection A2 | **A Reading from the Book of Job**  **Then Job answered and said:**  **Oh, would that my words were written down!**  **Would that they were inscribed in a record:**  **that with an iron chisel and with lead   they were cut in the rock forever!**  **As for me, I know that my vindicator lives,**  **and that he will at last stand forth upon the dust.**  **This will happen when my skin has been stripped off,**  **and from my flesh I will see God:**  **I will see for myself,**  **my own eyes, not another’s, will behold him:**  **my inmost being is consumed with longing.**  **The Word of the Lord** |

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| Wisdom  3:1-9  Selection A4  (Long Form) | **A Reading from the Book of Wisdom**  **The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God,**  **and no torment shall touch them.**  **They seemed, in the view of the foolish, to be dead;**  **and their passing away was thought an affliction**  **and their going forth from us, utter destruction.**  **But they are in peace.**  **For if to others, indeed, they seem punished,**  **yet is their hope full of immortality;**  **chastised a little, they shall be greatly blessed,**  **because God tried them**  **and found them worthy of himself.**  **As gold in the furnace, he proved them,**  **and as sacrificial offerings he took them to himself.**  **In the time of their judgment they shall shine**  **and dart about as sparks through stubble;**  **they shall judge nations and rule over peoples,**  **and the LORD shall be their King forever.**  **Those who trust in him shall understand truth,**  **and the faithful shall abide with him in love:**  **because grace and mercy are with his holy ones,**  **and his care is with the elect.**  **The Word of the Lord** |

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| Wisdom  4:7-14  Selection A5 | **A Reading from the Book of Wisdom**  **The righteous one, though he die early, shall be at rest.**  **For the age that is honorable comes not with the passing**  **of time, nor can it be measured in terms of years.**  **Rather, understanding passes for gray hair,**  **and an unsullied life is the attainment of old age.**  **The one who pleased God was loved,**  **living among sinners, was transported —**  **snatched away, lest wickedness pervert his mind**  **or deceit beguile his soul;**  **for the witchery of paltry things**  **obscures what is right**  **and the whirl of desire transforms the innocent mind. Having become perfect in a short while,**  **he reached the fullness of a long career;**  **for his soul was pleasing to the LORD,**  **therefore he sped him out of the midst of wickedness.**  **But the people saw and did not understand,**  **nor did they take that consideration into account.**  **The Word of the Lord** |

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| Sirach  2:1-11  Selection A6 | **A Reading from the Book of Sirach**  **My child, when you come to serve the Lord,**  **prepare yourself for trials.**  **Be sincere of heart and steadfast,**  **and do not be impetuous in time of adversity.**  **Cling to him,**  **do not leave him,**  **that you may prosper in your last days.**  **Accept whatever happens to you;**  **in periods of humiliation be patient.**  **For in fire gold is tested,**  **and the chosen,**  **in the crucible of humiliation.**  **Trust in God, and he will help you;**  **make your ways straight and hope in him.**  **You that fear the Lord,**  **wait for his mercy,**  **do not stray lest you fall.**  **You that fear the Lord, trust in him,**  **and your reward will not be lost.**  **You that fear the LORD,**    ***Continued on the Next Page***  **hope for good things,**  **for lasting joy and mercy.**  **Consider the generations long past and see:**  **has anyone trusted in the Lord**  **and been disappointed?**  **Has anyone persevered in his fear and been forsaken?**  **Has anyone called upon him and been ignored?**  **For the Lord is compassionate and merciful;**  **forgives sins and saves in time of trouble.**  **The Word of the Lord** |

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| Isaiah  25: 6,7-9  Selection A7 | **A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah**  **On this mountain the LORD of hosts**  **will provide for all peoples.**  **On this mountain he will destroy**  **the veil that veils all peoples,**  **the web that is woven over all nations.**  **He will destroy death forever.**  **The Lord GOD will wipe away**  **the tears from all faces;**  **the reproach of his people he will remove**  **from the whole earth;**  **for the LORD has spoken.**  **On that day it will be said:**  **“Indeed, this is our God;**  **we looked to him, and he saved us!**  **This is the LORD to whom we looked;**  **let us rejoice and be glad that he has saved us!”**  **The Word of the Lord** |

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| Lamentations 3: 17-26  Selection A11 | **A Reading from the Book of Lamentations**  **My life is deprived of peace,**  **I have forgotten what happiness is;**  **my enduring hope, I said,**  **has perished before the LORD.**  **The thought of my wretched homelessness**  **is wormwood and poison;**  **remembering it over and over,**  **my soul is downcast.**  **But this I will call to mind;**  **therefore I will hope:**  **the LORD’s acts of mercy are not exhausted,**  **his compassion is not spent;**  **they are renewed each morning—**  **great is your faithfulness!**  **The LORD is my portion, I tell myself,**  **therefore I will hope in him.**  **The LORD is good to those who trust in him,**  **to the one that seeks him;**  **it is good to hope in silence**  **for the LORD’s deliverance.**  **The Word of the Lord** |

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| Daniel  12:1-3  Selection A13 | **A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Daniel**  **“At that time there shall arise Michael,**  **the great prince, guardian of your people;**  **it shall be a time unsurpassed in distress**  **since the nation began until that time.**  **At that time your people shall escape,**  **everyone who is found written in the book.**  **Many of those who sleep**  **in the dust of the earth shall awake;**  **some to everlasting life,**  **others to reproach and everlasting disgrace.**  **But those with insight shall shine brightly**  **like the splendor of the firmament,**  **and those who lead the many to justice**  **shall be like the stars forever.**  **The Word of the Lord** |

New Testament Readings

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| Romans  5: 1,5-11  Selection B2 | **A Reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans**  **Brothers and Sisters:**  **Since we have been justified by faith,**  **we have peace with God**  **through our Lord Jesus Christ.**  **Hope does not disappoint,**  **because the love of God has been poured out**  **into our hearts through the holy Spirit**  **that has been given to us.**  **For Christ, while we were still helpless,**  **yet died at the appointed time for the ungodly. Indeed, only with difficulty**  **does one die for a just person,**  **though perhaps for a good person**  **one might even find courage to die.**  **But God proves his love for us**  **in that while we were still sinners**  **Christ died for us.**  **How much more then,**  **since we are now justified by his blood,**  **will we be saved through him from the wrath.**  ***Continued on the Next Page***  **Indeed, if, while we were enemies,**  **we were reconciled to God**  **through the death of his Son,**  **how much more, once reconciled,**  **will we be saved by his life.**  **Not only that, but we also boast of God**  **through our Lord Jesus Christ,**  **through whom we have now received reconciliation.**  **The Word of the Lord** |

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| Romans  6: 3-9  Selection B4  (Long Form) | **A Reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans**  **Brothers and Sisters:**  **Are you unaware that we**  **who were baptized into Christ Jesus**  **were baptized into his death?**  **We were indeed buried with him**  **through baptism into death,**  **so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead**  **by the glory of the Father,**  **we too might live in newness of life.**  **For if we have grown into union with him**  **through a death like his,**  **we shall also be united with him in the resurrection. We know that our old self was crucified with him,**  **so that our sinful body might be done away with,**  **that we might no longer be in slavery to sin.**  **For a dead person has been absolved from sin.**  **If, then, we have died with Christ,**  **we believe that we shall also live with him.**  **We know that Christ,**  **raised from the dead, dies no more;**  **death no longer has power over him.**  **The Word of the Lord** |

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| Romans  8: 14-23  Selection B6 | **A Reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans**  **Brothers and Sisters:**  **Those who are led by the Spirit of God**  **are children of God.**  **For you did not receive a spirit of slavery**  **to fall back into fear,**  **but you received a spirit of adoption,**  **through which we cry, “Abba, Father!”**  **The Spirit itself bears witness with our spirit**  **that we are children of God, and if children,**  **then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ,**  **if only we suffer with him**  **so that we may also be glorified with him.**  **I consider that the sufferings of this present time**  **are as nothing compared with the glory**  **to be revealed for us.**  **For creation awaits with eager expectation**  **the revelation of the children of God;**  **for creation was made subject to futility,**  **not of its own accord**  **but because of the one who subjected it,**    ***Continued on the Next Page***  **in hope that creation itself would be set free**  **from slavery to corruption and share in**  **the glorious freedom of the children of God.**  **We know that all creation is groaning in labor pains**  **even until now; and not only that, but we ourselves,**  **who have the firstfruits of the Spirit,**  **we also groan within ourselves**  **as we wait for adoption,**  **the redemption of our bodies.**  **The Word of the Lord** |

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| Romans  8: 31-35, 37-39  Selection B7 | **A Reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans**  **Brothers and Sisters:**  **What then shall we say to this?**  **If God is for us, who can be against us?**  **He who did not spare his own Son**  **but handed him over for us all,**  **how will he not also give us**  **everything else along with him?**  **Who will bring a charge against God’s chosen ones?**  **It is God who acquits us. Who will condemn?**  **It is Christ [Jesus] who died, rather,**  **was raised, who also is at the right hand of God,**  **who indeed intercedes for us.**  **What will separate us from the love of Christ?**  **Will anguish, or distress, or persecution, or famine,**  **or nakedness, or peril, or the sword?**  **No, in all these things we conquer overwhelmingly**  **through him who loved us.**  **For I am convinced that neither death, nor life,**  **nor angels, nor principalities, nor present things,**  **nor future things, nor powers, nor height,**  **nor depth, nor any other creature**  **will be able to separate us**  **from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**  **The Word of the Lord** |

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| 1 Corinthians  2: 6-10  Selection B9 | **A Reading from the First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians**  **We do speak a wisdom to those who are mature,**  **but not a wisdom of this age,**  **nor of the rulers of this age who are passing away.**  **Rather, we speak God’s wisdom, mysterious, hidden,**  **which God predetermined before the ages**  **for our glory, and which none of the rulers**  **of this age knew; for if they had known it,**  **they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.**  **But as it is written:**  **“What eye has not seen, and ear has not heard,**  **and what has not entered the human heart,**  **what God has prepared for those who love him,”**  **this God has revealed to us through the Spirit.**  **For the Spirit scrutinizes everything,**  **even the depths of God.**  **The Word of the Lord** |

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| 1 Corinthians  15: 20-28  Selection B11 | **A Reading from the First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians**  **Brothers and Sisters:**  **Christ has been raised from the dead,**  **the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.**  **For since death came through a human being,**  **the resurrection of the dead**  **came also through a human being.**  **For just as in Adam all die,**  **so too in Christ shall all be brought to life,**  **but each one in proper order: Christ the firstfruits;**  **then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ;**  **then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom**  **to his God and Father, when he has destroyed**  **every sovereignty and every authority and power.**  **For he must reign until he has put**  **all his enemies under his feet.**  **The last enemy to be destroyed is death,**  **for “he subjected everything under his feet.”**  **But when it says that everything has been subjected,**  **it is clear that it excludes**  **the one who subjected everything to him.**  **When everything is subjected to him,**  **then the Son himself will also be subjected**  **to the one who subjected everything to him,**  **so that God may be all in all.**  **The Word of the Lord** |

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| 1 Corinthians  15: 51-57  Selection B12 | **A Reading from the First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians**  **Brothers and Sisters:**  **Behold, I tell you a mystery.**  **We shall not all fall asleep, but we will all be changed,**  **in an instant, in the blink of an eye,**  **at the last trumpet.**  **For the trumpet will sound,**  **the dead will be raised incorruptible,**  **and we shall be changed.**  **For that which is corruptible**  **must clothe itself with incorruptibility,**  **and that which is mortal**  **must clothe itself with immortality.**  **And when this which is corruptible**  **clothes itself with incorruptibility**  **and this which is mortal**  **clothes itself with immortality,**  **then the word that is written shall come about:**  **“Death is swallowed up in victory.**  **Where, O death, is your victory?**  **Where, O death, is your sting?”**  **The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.**  **But thanks be to God who gives us the victory**  **through our Lord Jesus Christ.**  **The Word of the Lord** |

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| 2 Corinthians  4: 14- 5: 1  Selection B13 | **A Reading from the Second Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians**  **Brothers and Sisters:**  **Knowing that the one who raised the Lord Jesus**  **will raise us also with Jesus**  **and place us with you in his presence.**  **Everything indeed is for you,**  **so that the grace bestowed in abundance**  **on more and more people**  **may cause the thanksgiving to overflow**  **for the glory of God.**  **Therefore, we are not discouraged;**  **rather, although our outer self is wasting away,**  **our inner self is being renewed day by day.**  **For this momentary light affliction**  **is producing for us an eternal weight of glory**  **beyond all comparison, as we look not to what is seen**  **but to what is unseen; for what is seen is transitory,**  **but what is unseen is eternal.**  **For we know that if our earthly dwelling, a tent,**  **should be destroyed, we have a building from God,**  **a dwelling not made with hands, eternal in heaven.**  **The Word of the Lord** |

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| 2 Corinthians  5: 1,6-10  Selection B14 | **A Reading from the Second Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians**  **Brothers and Sisters:**  **We know that if our earthly dwelling, a tent,**  **should be destroyed, we have a building from God,**  **a dwelling not made with hands, eternal in heaven.**  **So we are always courageous, although we know**  **that while we are at home in the body**  **we are away from the Lord,**  **for we walk by faith, not by sight.**  **Yet we are courageous,**  **and we would rather leave the body**  **and go home to the Lord.**  **Therefore, we aspire to please him,**  **whether we are at home or away.**  **For we must all appear before**  **the judgment seat of Christ,**  **so that each one may receive recompense,**  **according to what he did in the body,**  **whether good or evil.**  **The Word of the Lord** |

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| Philippians  3: 7-14  Selection B15 | **A Reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Philippians**  **Brothers and sisters:**  **Whatever gains I had, these I have come**  **to consider a loss because of Christ.**  **More than that, I even consider everything as a loss**  **because of the supreme good**  **of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.**  **For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things**  **and I consider them so much rubbish,**  **that I may gain Christ and be found in him,**  **not having any righteousness of my own**  **based on the law but that which comes**  **through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God,**  **depending on faith to know him**  **and the power of his resurrection**  **and the sharing of his sufferings**  **by being conformed to his death, if somehow**  **I may attain the resurrection from the dead.**  **It is not that I have already taken hold of it**  **or have already attained perfect maturity,**  **but I continue my pursuit in hope**  **that I may possess it,**  ***Continued on the Next Page***    **since I have indeed**  **been taken possession of by Christ Jesus.**  **Brothers, I for my part do not consider**  **myself to have taken possession.**  **Just one thing: forgetting what lies behind**  **but straining forward to what lies ahead,**  **I continue my pursuit toward the goal,**  **the prize of God’s upward calling, in Christ Jesus.**    **The Word of the Lord** |

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| 1 Thessalonians  4: 13-18  Selection B17 | **A Reading from the First Letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians**  **We do not want you to be unaware, brothers,**  **about those who have fallen asleep,**  **so that you may not grieve like the rest,**  **who have no hope.**  **For if we believe that Jesus died and rose,**  **so too will God, through Jesus,**  **bring with him those who have fallen asleep.**  **Indeed, we tell you this, on the word of the Lord,**  **that we who are alive, who are left**  **until the coming of the Lord,**  **will surely not precede those who have fallen asleep.**  **For the Lord himself, with a word of command,**  **with the voice of an archangel**  **and with the trumpet of God,**  **will come down from heaven,**  **and the dead in Christ will rise first.**  **Then we who are alive, who are left,**  **will be caught up together with them in the clouds**  **to meet the Lord in the air.**  **Thus we shall always be with the Lord.**  **Therefore, console one another with these words.**  **The Word of the Lord** |

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| 2 Timothy  2: 8-13  Selection B18 | **A Reading from the Second Letter of St. Paul to the Timothy**  **Beloved:**  **Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead,**  **a descendant of David: such is my gospel,**  **for which I am suffering, even to the point of chains,**  **like a criminal.**  **But the word of God is not chained.**  **Therefore, I bear with everything**  **for the sake of those who are chosen,**  **so that they too may obtain the salvation**  **that is in Christ Jesus, together with eternal glory.**  **This saying is trustworthy:**  **if we have died with him**  **we shall also live with him;**  **if we persevere**  **we shall also reign with him.**  **But if we deny him**  **he will deny us.**  **If we are unfaithful**  **he remains faithful,**  **for he cannot deny himself.**  **The Word of the Lord** |

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| 1 John  3: 1-2  Selection B20 | **A Reading from the First Letter of St. John**  **Beloved:**  **See what love the Father has bestowed on us**  **that we may be called the children of God.**  **Yet so we are.**  **The reason the world does not know us**  **is that it did not know him.**  **Beloved, we are God’s children now;**  **what we shall be has not yet been revealed.**  **We do know that when it is revealed**  **we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.**  **Everyone who has this hope based on him**  **makes himself pure, as he is pure.**  **The Word of the Lord** |

Songs/Hymns

Amazing Grace

Ave Maria

Be Not Afraid

On Eagle’s Wings

How Great Thou Art

I Am the Bread of Life

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace (Prayer of St. Francis)

Only This I Want

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Wherever You Go

*Others may be available, so feel free to ask*