

PSALM:

Psalms 37:1-11, 39-40

- ¹Do not be provoked by evildoers;
do not be jealous of those who do wrong.
- ²**For they shall soon wither like the grass,
and like the green grass fade away.**
- ³Put your trust in the LORD and do good;
dwell in the land and find safe pasture.
- ⁴**Take delight in the LORD,
who shall give you your heart's desire.**
- ⁵Commit your way to the LORD; put your trust in the LORD,
and see what God will do.
- ⁶**The LORD will make your vindication as clear as the light
and the justice of your case like the noonday sun.**
- ⁷Be still before the LORD and wait patiently. Do not be provoked by the
one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes.
- ⁸**Refrain from anger, leave rage alone;
do not be provoked; it leads only to evil.**
- ⁹For evildoers shall be cut off,
but those who hope in the LORD shall possess the land.
- ¹⁰**In a little while the wicked shall be no more;
even if you search out their place, they will not be there.**
- ¹¹But the lowly shall possess the land;
they will delight in abundance of peace.
- ³⁹**But the deliverance of the righteous comes from you, O LORD;
you are their stronghold in time of trouble.**
- ⁴⁰You, O LORD, will help them and rescue them; you will rescue them
from the wicked and deliver them, because in you they seek refuge.

SECOND READING:

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

- ³⁵But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" ³⁶Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies.
- ³⁷And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare

seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. ³⁸But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

⁴²So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. ⁴³It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. ⁴⁴It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. ⁴⁵Thus it is written, “The first man, Adam, became a living being”; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. ⁴⁶But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. ⁴⁷The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. ⁴⁸As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. ⁴⁹Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

⁵⁰What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

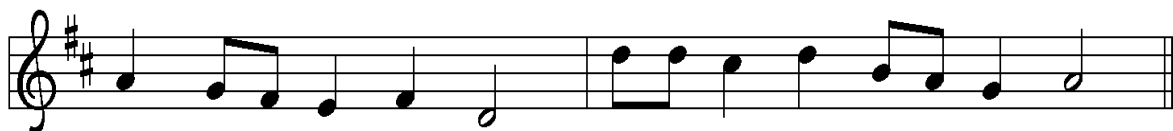
The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



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GOSPEL

Luke 6:27-38

The holy gospel according to St. Luke the 6th Chapter

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ²⁷“But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you.

³²“If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. ³⁵But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. ³⁶Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

³⁷“Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.”

The gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.