The Nineteenth Sunday After Trinity

The Reading from the Job, Chapter 24, beginning at the 1st verse.

This passage may be found in the pew bible on page 597.

(Pause to allow parishioners to find the page.)

24 “Since times are not hidden
from the Almighty,
Why do those who know Him
see not His days?

2 “Some remove landmarks;
They seize flocks violently and feed on
them;
3 They drive away the donkey of the
fatherless;
They take the widow’s ox as a pledge.
4 They push the needy off the road;
All the poor of the land are forced to hide.
5 Indeed, like wild donkeys in the desert,
They go out to their work, searching for
food.
The wilderness yields food for them and
for their children.
6 They gather their fodder in the field
And glean in the vineyard of the wicked.
7 They spend the night naked, without
clothing,
And have no covering in the cold.
8 They are wet with the showers of the
mountains,
And huddle around the rock for want of
shelter.

9 “Some snatch the fatherless from the
breast,
And take a pledge from the poor.
10 They cause the poor to go naked,
without clothing;
And they take away the sheaves from the
hungry.
11 They press out oil within their walls,
And tread winepresses, yet suffer thirst.
12 The dying groan in the city,
And the souls of the wounded cry out;
Yet God does not charge them with
wrong.

13 “There are those who rebel against the
light;
They do not know its ways
Nor abide in its paths.
14 The murderer rises with the light;
He kills the poor and needy;
And in the night he is like a thief.
15 The eye of the adulterer waits for the
twilight,
Saying, ‘No eye will see me’;
And he disguises his face.
16 In the dark they break into houses
Which they marked for themselves in the
daytime;
They do not know the light.
17 For the morning is the same to them as
the shadow of death;
If someone recognizes them,
They are in the terrors of the shadow of
death.

This is the word of the Lord.

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Psalm 72

GIVE the King thy judgments, O God, * and thy righteousness unto the King's son.

Then shall he judge thy people according unto right, * and defend the poor.

The mountains also shall bring peace, * and the little hills righteousness unto the people.

He shall keep the simple folk by their right, * defend the children of the poor, and punish the wrong doer.

They shall fear thee, as long as the sun and moon endureth, * from one generation to another.

He shall come down like the rain upon the mown grass, * even as the drops that water the earth.

In his time shall the righteous flourish; * yea, and abundance of peace, so long as the moon endureth.

His dominion shall be also from the one sea to the other, * and from the River unto the world's end.

They that dwell in the wilderness shall kneel before him; * his enemies shall lick the dust.

The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall give presents; * the kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring gifts.

All kings shall fall down before him; * all nations shall do him service.

For he shall deliver the poor when he crieth; * the needy also, and him that hath no helper.

He shall be favourable to the simple and needy, * and shall preserve the souls of the poor.

He shall deliver their souls from falsehood and wrong; * and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

He shall live, and unto him shall be given of the gold of Arabia; * prayer shall be made ever unto him, and daily shall he be praised.

There shall be an heap of corn in the earth, high upon the hills ; the fruit thereof shall shake like Lebanon: * and they of the city shall flourish like grass upon the earth.

His Name shall endure for ever; his Name shall remain under the sun among the posterities, which shall be blessed in him; * and all the nations shall praise him.

Blessed be the LORD God, even the God of Israel, * which only doeth wondrous things;

And blessed be the Name of his majesty for ever: * and all the earth shall be filled with his majesty. Amen, Amen.

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A reading from St. Paul's Epistle to the Ephesians, chapter 4, beginning at the 17th verse.

This passage may be found in the Book of Common Prayer on page 235.

(Pause to allow parishioners to find the page.)

THIS I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind, having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart: who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness. But ye have not so learned Christ; if so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus: that ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; and be renewed in the spirit of your mind; and that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness. Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another. Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath; neither give place to the devil. Let him that stole steal no more; but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth. Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers. And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption. Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: and be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

(Pause for a count of 5)

This is the word of the Lord.