

June 1, 2025

The Sunday after Ascension Day

FIRST LESSON: Revelation 22:1-5, 17, 20

Reader: A reading from the 22nd chapter of the Book of Revelation, beginning at the 1st verse.

And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.

In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him:

And they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads.

And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever.

And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.

He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.

Reader: Here endeth the First Lesson.

PSALM 24 *Domini est terra*

Reader: We will read Psalm 24 responsively by the whole verse.

1 The earth is the LORD'S, and all that therein is; * the compass of the world, and they that dwell therein.

2 *For he hath founded it upon the seas, * and stablished it upon the floods.*

3 Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? * or who shall rise up in his holy place?

4 *Even he that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; * and that hath not lift up*

his mind unto vanity, nor sworn to deceive his neighbour.

5 He shall receive the blessing from the LORD, * and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

*6 This is the generation of them that seek him; * even of them that seek thy face, O God of Jacob.*

7 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; * and the King of glory shall come in.

*8 Who is this King of glory? * It is the LORD strong and mighty, even the LORD mighty in battle.*

9 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; * and the King of glory shall come in.

*10 Who is this King of glory? * Even the LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory.*

THE EPISTLE: 1 Peter 4:7-11

Reader: A reading of the 4th chapter of First Peter, beginning at the 7th verse.

The end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer. And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins. Use hospitality one to another without grudging. As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God; if any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth: that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Reader: Here endeth the Epistle.

THE GOSPEL: St. John 15:26 – 16:4

The Holy Gospel is written in the 15th chapter of St. John, beginning at the 26th verse.

When the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me: And ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning.

These things have I spoken unto you, that ye should not be offended. They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service. And these things will they do unto you, because they have not known the Father, nor me.

But these things have I told you, that when the time shall come, ye may remember that I told you of them.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

