First Sunday of Lent

Genesis 9: 8-15. To Noah and his descendants God establishes a covenant of peace, symbolized by the rainbow.

Psalm 25. To you, O Lord, I lift my soul, to you, I lift my soul..

1 Peter 3: 18-22. Just as Noah and his sons and their wives were saved by the ark, we are saved by Baptism; each is a means by which the power of Jesus' resurrection reaches us.

Mark 1: 12-15. Jesus is led by the Spirit into the desert, where he is tempted by Satan, surrounded by wild beasts, consoled by angels. Afterwards in Galilee he announces: "The reign of God is at hand!"