

**COLLECT**

Eternal Father,  
 whose Son Jesus Christ ascended  
 to the throne of heaven that  
 he might rule over all things  
 as Lord and King:  
 keep the Church in the unity of  
 the Spirit  
 and in the bond of peace,  
 and bring the whole created  
 order to worship at his feet;  
 who is alive and reigns with you,  
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
 one God, now and for ever.

**FIRST READING**

**Daniel 7:9-10. 13-14**

*A reading from the book of Daniel.*  
 As I watched, thrones were set  
 in place, and an Ancient One  
 took his throne, his clothing was  
 white as snow, and the hair of his  
 head like pure wool; his throne  
 was fiery flames, and its wheels  
 were burning fire. A stream of fire  
 issued and flowed out from his  
 presence. A thousand thousand  
 served him, and ten thousand  
 times ten thousand stood  
 attending him. The court sat in  
 judgement, and the books were  
 opened. As I watched in the night  
 visions, I saw one like a human  
 being coming with the clouds  
 of heaven. And he came to the  
 Ancient One and was presented  
 before him. To him was given  
 dominion and glory and kingship,  
 that all peoples, nations, and  
 languages should serve him.  
 His dominion is an everlasting  
 dominion that shall not pass  
 away, and his kingship is one that  
 shall never be destroyed.

**PSALM Psalm 93**



**R** *The Lord shall reign for ever  
 and ever.*

The Lord is king and has put on  
 glorious apparel;  
 the Lord has put on his glory  
 and girded himself with  
 strength.

He has made the whole world so  
 sure  
 that it cannot be moved. **R**

Your throne has been  
 established from of old;  
 you are from everlasting.  
 The floods have lifted up, O Lord,  
 the floods have lifted up their  
 voice;  
 the floods lift up their pounding  
 waves. **R**

Mightier than the thunder of  
 many waters, mightier than the  
 breakers of the sea,  
 the Lord on high is mightier.  
 Your testimonies are very sure;  
 holiness adorns your house, O  
 Lord, for ever. **R**

**SECOND READING**

**Revelation 1:4b-8**

*A reading from the book of Revelation.*  
 Grace to you and peace from  
 God who is and who was and  
 who is to come, and from the  
 seven spirits who are before his  
 throne, and from Jesus Christ,  
 the faithful witness, the firstborn  
 of the dead, and the ruler of the  
 kings of the earth. To him who  
 loves us and freed us from our  
 sins by his blood, and made us to  
 be a kingdom, priests serving his  
 God and Father, to him be glory  
 and dominion for ever and ever.

Amen. Look! He is coming with  
 the clouds; every eye will see  
 him, even those who pierced  
 him; and on his account all the  
 tribes of the earth will wail. So it  
 is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha  
 and the Omega," says the Lord  
 God, who is and who was and  
 who is to come, the Almighty.

**GOSPEL John 18:33-37**

*Hear the gospel of our Lord  
 Jesus Christ according to John.*  
 Pilate asked Jesus, "Are you  
 the King of the Jews?" Jesus  
 answered, "Do you ask this on  
 your own, or did others tell you  
 about me?" Pilate replied, "I  
 am not a Jew, am I? Your own  
 nation and the chief priests  
 have handed you over to me.  
 What have you done?" Jesus  
 answered, "My kingdom is not  
 from this world. If my kingdom  
 were from this world, my  
 followers would be fighting to  
 keep me from being handed  
 over to the Jews. But as it is,  
 my kingdom is not from here."  
 Pilate asked him, "So you are a  
 king?" Jesus answered, "You say  
 that I am a king. For this I was  
 born, and for this I came into  
 the world, to testify to the truth.  
 Everyone who belongs to the  
 truth listens to my voice."

**POST COMMUNION**

Stir up, O Lord,  
 the wills of your faithful people;  
 that they, plenteously bringing  
 forth the fruit of good works,  
 may by you be plenteously  
 rewarded;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Lord shall reign for ever and ever.