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Date	Season	Old Testament	Psalm	Epistle	Gospel	Reader
05/02/2021	Easter 4	Job 19:21-27	107 Vs 1-16 (476)	James 1:17-21	John 16:5-15	8am: OT/P: LS E: DS 10am: OT/P/E: MM
05/09/2021	Rogation	Ezekiel 34:25-31	67 (418)	James 1:22-27	John 16:23-33	8am: OT/P: DS E: LS 10am: OT/P/E: MM
05/16/2021	Sunday after Ascension	Daniel 7:9-14	96 (459)	Acts 1:1-11	John 15:26-16:4	8am: OT/P: LS E: DS 10am: OT/P/E: MM
05/23/2021	Pentecost	Joel 2:28-32	68 (419)	Acts 2:1-11	John 14: 15-31a	8am: OT/P: DS E: LS 10am: OT/P/E: MM
05/30/2021	Trinity Sunday	Isaiah 6:1-8	29 (373)	Revelation 4:1-11	John 3:1-15	8am: OT/P: LS E: DS 10am: OT/P/E: MM

### **Easter 4: 05/02/2021**

#### **Old Testament: Job 19:21-27**

<sup>21</sup> Have pity upon me, have pity upon me, O ye my friends; for the hand of God hath touched me.

<sup>22</sup> Why do ye persecute me as God, and are not satisfied with my flesh?

<sup>23</sup> Oh that my words were now written! oh that they were printed in a book!

<sup>24</sup> That they were graven with an iron pen and lead in the rock for ever!

<sup>25</sup> For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth:

<sup>26</sup> And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God:

<sup>27</sup> Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; though my reins be consumed within me.

#### **Psalm: 107 Vs 1-16 (476)**

**107** O give thanks unto the LORD, for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.

<sup>2</sup> Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy;

<sup>3</sup> And gathered them out of the lands, from the east, and from the west, from the north, and from the south.

<sup>4</sup> They wandered in the wilderness in a solitary way; they found no city to dwell in.

<sup>5</sup> Hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted in them.

<sup>6</sup> Then they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them out of their distresses.

<sup>7</sup> And he led them forth by the right way, that they might go to a city of habitation.

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<sup>8</sup> Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!

<sup>9</sup> For he satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness.

<sup>10</sup> Such as sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, being bound in affliction and iron;

<sup>11</sup> Because they rebelled against the words of God, and contemned the counsel of the most High:

<sup>12</sup> Therefore he brought down their heart with labour; they fell down, and there was none to help.

<sup>13</sup> Then they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, and he saved them out of their distresses.

<sup>14</sup> He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death, and brake their bands in sunder.

<sup>15</sup> Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!

<sup>16</sup> For he hath broken the gates of brass, and cut the bars of iron in sunder.

**Epistle: James 1:17-21**

<sup>17</sup> Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

<sup>18</sup> Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

<sup>19</sup> Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath:

<sup>20</sup> For the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God.

<sup>21</sup> Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls.

**Gospel: John 16:5-15**

<sup>5</sup> But now I go my way to him that sent me; and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou?

<sup>6</sup> But because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart.

<sup>7</sup> Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.

<sup>8</sup> And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

<sup>9</sup> Of sin, because they believe not on me;

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<sup>10</sup> Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more;

<sup>11</sup> Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.

<sup>12</sup> I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.

<sup>13</sup> Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

<sup>14</sup> He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

<sup>15</sup> All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

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**Rogation Sunday 05/09/2021**

**Old Testament: Ezekiel 34:25-31**

<sup>25</sup> And I will make with them a covenant of peace, and will cause the evil beasts to cease out of the land: and they shall dwell safely in the wilderness, and sleep in the woods.

<sup>26</sup> And I will make them and the places round about my hill a blessing; and I will cause the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing.

<sup>27</sup> And the tree of the field shall yield her fruit, and the earth shall yield her increase, and they shall be safe in their land, and shall know that I am the LORD, when I have broken the bands of their yoke, and delivered them out of the hand of those that served themselves of them.

<sup>28</sup> And they shall no more be a prey to the heathen, neither shall the beast of the land devour them; but they shall dwell safely, and none shall make them afraid.

<sup>29</sup> And I will raise up for them a plant of renown, and they shall be no more consumed with hunger in the land, neither bear the shame of the heathen any more.

<sup>30</sup> Thus shall they know that I the LORD their God am with them, and that they, even the house of Israel, are my people, saith the Lord GOD.

<sup>31</sup> And ye my flock, the flock of my pasture, are men, and I am your God, saith the Lord GOD.

**Psalm: 67 (418)**

**67** God be merciful unto us, and bless us; and cause his face to shine upon us; Selah.

<sup>2</sup> That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations.

<sup>3</sup> Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.

<sup>4</sup> O let the nations be glad and sing for joy: for thou shalt judge the people righteously, and govern the nations upon earth. Selah.

<sup>5</sup> Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.

<sup>6</sup> Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us.

<sup>7</sup> God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.

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**Epistle: James 1:22-27**

<sup>22</sup> But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.

<sup>23</sup> For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass:

<sup>24</sup> For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was.

<sup>25</sup> But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed.

<sup>26</sup> If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain.

<sup>27</sup> Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.

**Gospel: John 16: 23-33**

<sup>23</sup> And in that day ye shall ask me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you.

<sup>24</sup> Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.

<sup>25</sup> These things have I spoken unto you in proverbs: but the time cometh, when I shall no more speak unto you in proverbs, but I shall shew you plainly of the Father.

<sup>26</sup> At that day ye shall ask in my name: and I say not unto you, that I will pray the Father for you:

<sup>27</sup> For the Father himself loveth you, because ye have loved me, and have believed that I came out from God.

<sup>28</sup> I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again, I leave the world, and go to the Father.

<sup>29</sup> His disciples said unto him, Lo, now speakest thou plainly, and speakest no proverb.

<sup>30</sup> Now are we sure that thou knowest all things, and needest not that any man should ask thee: by this we believe that thou camest forth from God.

<sup>31</sup> Jesus answered them, Do ye now believe?

<sup>32</sup> Behold, the hour cometh, yea, is now come, that ye shall be scattered, every man to his own, and shall leave me alone: and yet I am not alone, because the Father is with me.

<sup>33</sup> These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

**Sunday after Ascension 05/16/2021**

**Old Testament: Daniel 7:9-14**

<sup>9</sup> I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire.

<sup>10</sup> A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened.

<sup>11</sup> I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake: I beheld even till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame.

<sup>12</sup> As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away: yet their lives were prolonged for a season and time.

<sup>13</sup> I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him.

<sup>14</sup> And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.

**Psalms: 96 (459)**

**96** O sing unto the LORD a new song: sing unto the LORD, all the earth.

<sup>2</sup> Sing unto the LORD, bless his name; shew forth his salvation from day to day.

<sup>3</sup> Declare his glory among the heathen, his wonders among all people.

<sup>4</sup> For the LORD is great, and greatly to be praised: he is to be feared above all gods.

<sup>5</sup> For all the gods of the nations are idols: but the LORD made the heavens.

<sup>6</sup> Honour and majesty are before him: strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

<sup>7</sup> Give unto the LORD, O ye kindreds of the people, give unto the LORD glory and strength.

<sup>8</sup> Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name: bring an offering, and come into his courts.

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<sup>9</sup> O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness: fear before him, all the earth.

<sup>10</sup> Say among the heathen that the LORD reigneth: the world also shall be established that it shall not be moved: he shall judge the people righteously.

<sup>11</sup> Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof.

<sup>12</sup> Let the field be joyful, and all that is therein: then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice

<sup>13</sup> Before the LORD: for he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth: he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth.

**Epistle: Acts 1:1-11**

<sup>1</sup> The former treatise have I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach,

<sup>2</sup> Until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen:

<sup>3</sup> To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God:

<sup>4</sup> And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me.

<sup>5</sup> For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.

<sup>6</sup> When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?

<sup>7</sup> And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power.

<sup>8</sup> But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

<sup>9</sup> And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.

<sup>10</sup> And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel;

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<sup>11</sup> Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

**Gospel: John 15:26-16:4**

<sup>26</sup> But 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:

<sup>27</sup> And ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning.

**16** These things have I spoken unto you, that ye should not be offended.

<sup>2</sup> They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service.

<sup>3</sup> And these things will they do unto you, because they have not known the Father, nor me.

<sup>4</sup> But these things have I told you, that when the time shall come, ye may remember that I told you of them. And these things I said not unto you at the beginning, because I was with you.

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**Pentecost 05/23/2021**

**Old Testament: Joel 2:28-32**

<sup>28</sup> And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions:

<sup>29</sup> And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit.

<sup>30</sup> And I will shew wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke.

<sup>31</sup> The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and terrible day of the LORD come.

<sup>32</sup> And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered: for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the LORD hath said, and in the remnant whom the LORD shall call.

**Psalm: 68 (419)**

**68** Let God arise, let his enemies be scattered: let them also that hate him flee before him.

<sup>2</sup> As smoke is driven away, so drive them away: as wax melteth before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.

<sup>3</sup> But let the righteous be glad; let them rejoice before God: yea, let them exceedingly rejoice.

<sup>4</sup> Sing unto God, sing praises to his name: extol him that rideth upon the heavens by his name JAH, and rejoice before him.

<sup>5</sup> A father of the fatherless, and a judge of the widows, is God in his holy habitation.

<sup>6</sup> God setteth the solitary in families: he bringeth out those which are bound with chains: but the rebellious dwell in a dry land.

<sup>7</sup> O God, when thou wentest forth before thy people, when thou didst march through the wilderness; Selah:

<sup>8</sup> The earth shook, the heavens also dropped at the presence of God: even Sinai itself was moved at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

<sup>9</sup> Thou, O God, didst send a plentiful rain, whereby thou didst confirm thine inheritance, when it was weary.

<sup>10</sup> Thy congregation hath dwelt therein: thou, O God, hast prepared of thy goodness for the poor.

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<sup>11</sup> The Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that published it.

<sup>12</sup> Kings of armies did flee apace: and she that tarried at home divided the spoil.

<sup>13</sup> Though ye have lien among the pots, yet shall ye be as the wings of a dove covered with silver, and her feathers with yellow gold.

<sup>14</sup> When the Almighty scattered kings in it, it was white as snow in Salmon.

<sup>15</sup> The hill of God is as the hill of Bashan; an high hill as the hill of Bashan.

<sup>16</sup> Why leap ye, ye high hills? this is the hill which God desireth to dwell in; yea, the LORD will dwell in it for ever.

<sup>17</sup> The chariots of God are twenty thousand, even thousands of angels: the Lord is among them, as in Sinai, in the holy place.

<sup>18</sup> Thou hast ascended on high, thou hast led captivity captive: thou hast received gifts for men; yea, for the rebellious also, that the LORD God might dwell among them.

<sup>19</sup> Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation. Selah.

<sup>20</sup> He that is our God is the God of salvation; and unto GOD the Lord belong the issues from death.

<sup>21</sup> But God shall wound the head of his enemies, and the hairy scalp of such an one as goeth on still in his trespasses.

<sup>22</sup> The Lord said, I will bring again from Bashan, I will bring my people again from the depths of the sea:

<sup>23</sup> That thy foot may be dipped in the blood of thine enemies, and the tongue of thy dogs in the same.

<sup>24</sup> They have seen thy goings, O God; even the goings of my God, my King, in the sanctuary.

<sup>25</sup> The singers went before, the players on instruments followed after; among them were the damsels playing with timbrels.

<sup>26</sup> Bless ye God in the congregations, even the Lord, from the fountain of Israel.

<sup>27</sup> There is little Benjamin with their ruler, the princes of Judah and their council, the princes of Zebulun, and the princes of Naphtali.

<sup>28</sup> Thy God hath commanded thy strength: strengthen, O God, that which thou hast wrought for us.

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<sup>29</sup> Because of thy temple at Jerusalem shall kings bring presents unto thee.

<sup>30</sup> Rebuke the company of spearmen, the multitude of the bulls, with the calves of the people, till every one submit himself with pieces of silver: scatter thou the people that delight in war.

<sup>31</sup> Princes shall come out of Egypt; Ethiopia shall soon stretch out her hands unto God.

<sup>32</sup> Sing unto God, ye kingdoms of the earth; O sing praises unto the Lord; Selah:

<sup>33</sup> To him that rideth upon the heavens of heavens, which were of old; lo, he doth send out his voice, and that a mighty voice.

<sup>34</sup> Ascribe ye strength unto God: his excellency is over Israel, and his strength is in the clouds.

<sup>35</sup> O God, thou art terrible out of thy holy places: the God of Israel is he that giveth strength and power unto his people. Blessed be God.

**Epistle: Acts 2:1-11**

**2** And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

<sup>2</sup> And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

<sup>3</sup> And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

<sup>4</sup> And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

<sup>5</sup> And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven.

<sup>6</sup> Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language.

<sup>7</sup> And they were all amazed and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galilaeans?

<sup>8</sup> And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born?

<sup>9</sup> Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judaea, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia,

<sup>10</sup> Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes,

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<sup>11</sup> Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.

**Gospel: John 14:15-31a**

<sup>15</sup> If ye love me, keep my commandments.

<sup>16</sup> And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;

<sup>17</sup> Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

<sup>18</sup> I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.

<sup>19</sup> Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also.

<sup>20</sup> At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.

<sup>21</sup> He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

<sup>22</sup> Judas saith unto him, not Iscariot, Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world?

<sup>23</sup> Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.

<sup>24</sup> He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.

<sup>25</sup> These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you.

<sup>26</sup> But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

<sup>27</sup> Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

<sup>28</sup> Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I.

<sup>29</sup> And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye might believe.

<sup>30</sup> Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me.

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<sup>31</sup> But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do

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**Trinity 05/30/2021**

**Old Testament: Isaiah 6: 1-8**

**6** In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the LORD sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.

**2** Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly.

**3** And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.

**4** And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.

**5** Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts.

**6** Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar:

**7** And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged.

**8** Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me.

**Psalm: 29 (373)**

**29** Give unto the LORD, O ye mighty, give unto the LORD glory and strength.

**2** Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name; worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

**3** The voice of the LORD is upon the waters: the God of glory thundereth: the LORD is upon many waters.

**4** The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

**5** The voice of the LORD breaketh the cedars; yea, the LORD breaketh the cedars of Lebanon.

**6** He maketh them also to skip like a calf; Lebanon and Sirion like a young unicorn.

**7** The voice of the LORD divideth the flames of fire.

**8** The voice of the LORD shaketh the wilderness; the LORD shaketh the wilderness of Kadesh.

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<sup>9</sup>The voice of the LORD maketh the hinds to calve, and discovereth the forests: and in his temple doth every one speak of his glory.

<sup>10</sup>The LORD sitteth upon the flood; yea, the LORD sitteth King for ever.

<sup>11</sup>The LORD will give strength unto his people; the LORD will bless his people with peace.

#### **Epistle: Revelations 4: 1-11**

**4** After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter.

<sup>2</sup> And immediately I was in the spirit: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne.

<sup>3</sup> And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald.

<sup>4</sup> And round about the throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.

<sup>5</sup> And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.

<sup>6</sup> And before the throne there was a sea of glass like unto crystal: and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, were four beasts full of eyes before and behind.

<sup>7</sup> And the first beast was like a lion, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast had a face as a man, and the fourth beast was like a flying eagle.

<sup>8</sup> And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, LORD God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.

<sup>9</sup> And when those beasts give glory and honour and thanks to him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever,

<sup>10</sup> The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

<sup>11</sup> Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

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**Gospel: John 3: 1-15**

**3** There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews:

**2** The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him.

**3** Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

**4** Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?

**5** Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

**6** That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

**7** Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.

**8** The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

**9** Nicodemus answered and said unto him, How can these things be?

**10** Jesus answered and said unto him, Art thou a master of Israel, and knowest not these things?

**11** Verily, verily, I say unto thee, We speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen; and ye receive not our witness.

**12** If I have told you earthly things, and ye believe not, how shall ye believe, if I tell you of heavenly things?

**13** And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man which is in heaven.

**14** And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up:

**15** That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.