

Readings for Sunday,

Woodbury United Methodist Church

A Reading from the Hebrew Psalter Psalm 69:3, 16-21

I am weary with my crying; my throat is parched. My eyes grow dim with waiting for my God.

Answer me, O LORD, for your steadfast love is good; according to your abundant mercy, turn to me. Do not hide your face from your servant, for I am in distress—make haste to answer me. Draw near to me, redeem me, set me free because of my enemies. You know the insults I receive, and my shame and dishonor; my foes are all known to you. Insults have broken my heart, so that I am in despair. I looked for pity, but there was none; and for comforters, but I found none. They gave me poison for food, and for my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink.

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN:

When Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), "I am thirsty." A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth.

This is the word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**