

First Reading: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

⁹As 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.
¹⁰A stream of fire issued
and flowed out from his presence.
A thousand thousands served him,
and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him.
The court sat in judgment,
and the books were opened.
¹³As 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.
¹⁴To 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.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 93

¹The LORD is king, robed in majesty; the LORD
is robed in majesty and armed with strength.
**The LORD has made the world so sure
that it cannot be moved.**
²Ever since the world began, your throne has been
established; you are from everlasting.
³**The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have
lifted up their voice; the waters have lifted up
their pounding waves.**

⁴Mightier than the sound of many waters,
mightier than the breakers of the sea, mightier
is the LORD who dwells on high.

⁵**Your testimonies are very sure,
and holiness befits your house, O LORD,
forever and forevermore.**

Second Reading: Revelation 1:4b-8

^{4b}Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come,
and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and 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, ⁶and made
us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and
dominion forever and ever. Amen.

⁷Look! 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.

⁸“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, who is and who
was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

Gospel: John 18:33-37

The Holy Gospel according to John, the 18th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³³Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him,
“Are you the King of the Jews?” ³⁴Jesus answered, “Do you ask this on your
own, or did others tell you about me?” ³⁵Pilate 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?” ³⁶Jesus 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.” ³⁷Pilate 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.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.