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## COLLECT

Almighty Father,  
you have given your only Son to die for our sins  
and to rise again for our justification:  
grant us so to put away the leaven  
of malice and wickedness  
that we may always serve you  
in pureness of living and truth;  
through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## ACTS 4. 23-31

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

After they were released, they went to their friends and reported what the chief priests and the elders had said to them. When they heard it, they raised their voices together to God and said, ‘Sovereign Lord, who made the heaven and the earth, the sea, and everything in them, it is you who said by the Holy Spirit through our ancestor David, your servant:

“Why did the Gentiles rage,  
and the peoples imagine vain things?  
The kings of the earth took their stand,  
and the rulers have gathered together  
against the Lord and against his Messiah.”

For in this city, in fact, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel, gathered together against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed, to do whatever your hand and your plan had predestined to take

place. And now, Lord, look at their threats, and grant to your servants to speak your word with all boldness, while you stretch out your hand to heal, and signs and wonders are performed through the name of your holy servant Jesus.' When they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God with boldness.

For the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 2

**R: Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Why are the nations in tumult,  
and why do the peoples devise a vain plot?  
The kings of the earth rise up,  
and the rulers take counsel together,  
against the Lord and against his anointed:  
'Let us break their bonds asunder  
and cast away their cords from us.' **R:**

He who dwells in heaven shall laugh them to scorn;  
the Lord shall have them in derision.  
Then shall he speak to them in his wrath  
and terrify them in his fury:  
'Yet have I set my king  
upon my holy hill of Zion.' **R:**

I will proclaim the decree of the Lord;  
he said to me: 'You are my Son; this day have I begotten you.  
'Ask of me and I will give you the nations for your inheritance  
and the ends of the earth for your possession.  
'You shall break them with a rod of iron  
and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.' **R:**

Now therefore be wise, O kings;  
be prudent, you judges of the earth.  
Serve the Lord with fear, and with trembling kiss his feet,  
lest he be angry and you perish from the way,

for his wrath is quickly kindled.  
Happy are all they  
who take refuge in him. **R:**

## JOHN 3.1-8

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.  
**Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

I am the resurrection and the life;  
everyone who believes in me will never die.

**Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you.**

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint John.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.'

Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

Alleluia. **Alleluia. Alleluia.**

## POST COMMUNION

Lord God our Father,  
through our Saviour Jesus Christ  
you have assured your children of eternal life  
and in baptism have made us one with him:  
deliver us from the death of sin  
and raise us to new life in your love,  
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**