



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30–NOVEMBER 5

TIME AFTER PENTECOST — LECTIONARY 31

Year C, Complementary Series

FIRST READING: Isaiah 1:10-18

A reading from Isaiah.

¹⁰Hear the word of the LORD,
you rulers of Sodom!

Listen to the teaching of our God,
you people of Gomorrah!

¹¹What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices?
says the LORD;

I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams
and the fat of fed beasts;

I do not delight in the blood of bulls
or of lambs or of goats.

¹²When you come to appear before me,
who asked this from your hand?
Trample my courts no more!

¹³Bringing offerings is futile;
incense is an abomination to me.

New moon and Sabbath and calling of convocation—
I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.

¹⁴Your new moons and your appointed festivals
my soul hates;

they have become a burden to me;
I am weary of bearing them.

¹⁵When you stretch out your hands,
I will hide my eyes from you;

even though you make many prayers,
I will not listen;
your hands are full of blood.

¹⁶Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean;
remove your evil deeds
from before my eyes;

cease to do evil;

¹⁷learn to do good;
seek justice; ►

rescue the oppressed;
defend the orphan;
plead for the widow.

¹⁸Come now, let us argue it out,
says the LORD:
If your sins are like scarlet,
will they become like snow?
If they are red like crimson,
will they become like wool?

Word of God, word of life. *or* The word of the Lord.

PSALMODY: Psalm 32:1-7

SECOND READING: 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

A reading from Second Thessalonians.

¹Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,
To the church of the Thessalonians in God, our Father,
and the Lord Jesus Christ:

²Grace to you and peace from God, the Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

³We must always give thanks to God for you, our dear family, as is right,
because your faith is growing abundantly
and the love of every one of you for one another is increasing.

⁴Therefore we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God
for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions
and the afflictions that you are enduring.

¹¹To this end we always pray for you,
asking that our God will make you worthy of the call
and will fulfill by divine power every good resolve and work of faith,

¹²so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you
and you in him,
according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Word of God, word of life. *or* The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL: Luke 19:1-10

The holy gospel according to Luke.

¹Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through it.

²A man was there named Zacchaeus;
he was a chief tax collector and was rich.

³He was trying to see who Jesus was,
but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature.

⁴So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see Jesus,
because he was going to pass that way.

⁵When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to Zacchaeus,
“Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today.”

⁶So he hurried down and was happy to welcome Jesus.

⁷All who saw it began to grumble and said,
“Jesus has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner.”

⁸Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord,
“Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor,
and if I have defrauded anyone of anything,
I will pay back four times as much.”

⁹Then Jesus said to Zacchaeus,
“Today salvation has come to this house,
because Zacchaeus, too, is a son of Abraham.

¹⁰For the Son-of-Man came to seek out and to save the lost.”

The gospel of the Lord.