

# Lectionary

*You are invited to follow the first two readings while seated, and as is the custom, to just listen, standing if possible, as the Holy Gospel is proclaimed.*

## Midweek 30th July, Trinity 6

### The Collect

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### Old Testament: Exodus 34:29-35

*A reading from the book of Exodus.*

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God.

When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him.

But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them.

Afterwards all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai.

When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

*This is the word of the Lord,*

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 99

1. The Lord is king: let the peoples tremble; • he is enthroned above the cherubim: let the earth shake.

2. The Lord is great in Zion • and high above all peoples.

3. Let them praise your name, which is great and awesome; • the Lord our God is holy.

4. Mighty king, who loves justice, you have established equity; • you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

5. Exalt the Lord our God; • bow down before his footstool, for he is holy.

6. Moses and Aaron among his priests and Samuel among those who call upon his name; • they called upon the Lord and he answered them.

7. He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; • they kept his testimonies and the law that he gave them.

8. You answered them, O Lord our God; • you were a God who forgave them and pardoned them for their offences.

9. Exalt the Lord our God and worship him upon his holy hill, • for the Lord our God is holy.

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### The Holy Gospel: Matthew 13:44-46

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to*

*Matthew.*

'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

*This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

**All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

### Post Communion Prayer

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

