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- 34. Matthew 25:31-40, Come, you who are blessed by my Father, ... for I was hungry, and you gave me food . . . whatever you did for the least brothers of mine, you did for me.
- 35. Mark 10:13-16, Let the children come to me . . .
- 37. Luke 1:46-56, Mary said "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; . .
- 38. Luke 2:27-35, Simeon came into the temple . . Lord now let your servant go in peace
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- 42 Luke 24: 13-3, Road to Emmaus
- 43. John 6:37-40, Everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life
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- 45. John 11:17-27, (Raising of) Lazarus. I am the resurrection and the life, whoever believes in me will never die.
- 46. John 11:32-45, Lazarus, come out
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Reading for Funeral Liturgy

#32 (Gos) Lectionary

Deacon or Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

**When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain,
and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him.**

He began to teach them, saying:

**“Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.**

**Blessed are they who mourn,
for they will be comforted.**

**Blessed are the meek,
for they will inherit the land.**

**Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they will be satisfied.**

**Blessed are the merciful,
for they will be shown mercy.**

**Blessed are the clean of heart,
for they will see God.**

**Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.**

**Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,
for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.**

**Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you
and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me.**

**Rejoice and be glad,
for your reward will be great in heaven.”**

The Gospel of the Lord.

Matthew 5:1-12

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#33 (Gos)Lectionary

Deacon or Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

At that time Jesus answered:

**“I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,
for although you have hidden these things
from the wise and the learned
you have revealed them to the childlike.**

Yes, Father, such has been your gracious will.

All things have been handed over to me by my Father.

**No one knows the Son except the Father,
and no one knows the Father except the Son
and anyone to whom the Son wishes to reveal him.”**

**“Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,
and I will give you rest.**

**Take my yoke upon you and learn from me,
for I am meek and humble of heart;
and you will find rest for yourselves.**

For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Matthew 11:25-30

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#34 (Gos)Lectionary

Deacon or Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus said to his disciples:

**“When the Son of Man comes in his glory,
and all the angels with him,
he will sit upon his glorious throne,
and all the nations will be assembled before him.**

**And he will separate them one from another,
as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats.**

He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

Then the king will say to those on his right,

‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father.

Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

**For I was hungry and you gave me food,
I was thirsty and you gave me drink,
a stranger and you welcomed me,
naked and you clothed me,
ill and you cared for me,
in prison and you visited me.’**

Then the righteous will answer him and say,

**‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you,
or thirsty and give you drink?**

**When did we see you a stranger and welcome you,
or naked and clothe you?**

When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?’

And the king will say to them in reply,

**‘Amen, I say to you, whatever you did
for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.’”**

The Gospel of the Lord.

Matthew 25:31-40

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#35 (Gos)Lectionary

Deacon or Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

**People were bringing children to Jesus that he might touch them,
but the disciples rebuked them.**

**When Jesus saw this he became indignant and said to them,
“Let the children come to me; do not prevent them,
for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these.**

**Amen, I say to you,
whoever does not accept the Kingdom of God like a child
will not enter it.”**

**Then he embraced them and blessed them,
placing his hands on them.**

The Gospel of the Lord.

Mark 10:13-16

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#37 (Gos)Lectionary

Deacon or Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Mary said:

**“My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord;
my spirit rejoices in God my savior.
for he has looked upon his lowly servant.
From this day all generations will call me blessed:
the Almighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his Name.
He has mercy on those who fear him
in every generation.
He has shown the strength of his arm,
and has scattered the proud in their conceit.
He has cast down the mighty from their thrones
and has lifted up the lowly.
He has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent away empty.
He has come to the help of his servant Israel
for he remembered his promise of mercy,
the promise he made to our fathers,
to Abraham and his children for ever.”**

**Mary remained with Elizabeth about three months
and then returned to her home.**

The Gospel of the Lord.

Luke 1: 46-56

Reading for Funeral Liturgy

#38 (Gos)Lectionary

Deacon or Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

**Simeon came in the Spirit into the temple;
he took Jesus into his arms and blessed God, saying:**

**“Lord, now let your servant go in peace;
your word has been fulfilled;
my own eyes have seen the salvation
which you prepared in the sight of every people:
a light to reveal you to the nations
and the glory of your people Israel.”**

The Gospel of the Lord.

Luke 2:27-35

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#39 (Gos)Lectionary

Deacon or Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Jesus said to his disciples:

“Gird your loins and light your lamps

and be like servants who await their master’s return from a wedding,

ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks.

Blessed are those servants

whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival.

Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself,

have them recline at table, and proceed to wait on them.

And should he come in the second or third watch

and find them prepared in this way,

blessed are those servants.

Be sure of this:

if the master of the house had known the hour

when the thief was coming,

he would not have let his house be broken into.

**You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect,
the Son of Man will come.”**

The Gospel of the Lord.

Luke 12:35-40

Reading for Funeral Liturgy

#42 (Gos)Lectionary

Deacon or Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

That very day, the first day of the week,
two of the disciples of Jesus were going
to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem,
and they were conversing about all the things that had occurred.
And it happened that while they were conversing and debating,
Jesus himself drew near and walked with them,
but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him.
As they approached the village to which they were going,
Jesus gave the impression that he was going on farther.
But they urged him, "Stay with us,
for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over."
So he went in to stay with them.
And it happened that, while he was with them at table,
he took bread, said the blessing,
broke it, and gave it to them.
With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him,
but he vanished from their sight.
Then they said to each other,
"Were not our hearts burning within us
while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?"
So they set out at once and returned to Jerusalem
where they found gathered together
the Eleven and those with them, who were saying,
"The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!"
Then the two recounted
what had taken place on the way
and how he was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Luke 24:13-35

Reading for Funeral Liturgy

#43 (Gos)Lectionary

Deacon or Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Jesus said to the crowds:

**“Everything that the Father gives me will come to me,
and I will not reject anyone who comes to me,
because I came down from heaven not to do my own will
but the will of the one who sent me.**

**And this is the will of the one who sent me,
that I should not lose anything of what he gave me,
but that I should raise it on the last day.**

**For this is the will of my Father,
that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him
may have eternal life,
and I shall raise him on the last day.”**

The Gospel of the Lord.

John 37-40

Reading for Funeral Liturgy

#44 (Gos)

Deacon or Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Jesus said to the crowds:

**“I am the living bread that came down from heaven;
whoever eats this bread will live forever;
and the bread that I will give is my Flesh
for the life of the world.”**

**The Jewish leaders quarreled among themselves, saying,
“How can this man give us his Flesh to eat?”**

Jesus said to them,

**“Amen, amen, I say to you,
unless you eat the Flesh of the Son of Man and drink his Blood,
you do not have life within you.**

**Whoever eats my Flesh and drinks my Blood
has eternal life,
and I will raise him on the last day.**

**For my Flesh is true food,
and my Blood is true drink.**

**Whoever eats my Flesh and drinks my Blood
remains in me and I in him.**

**Just as the living Father sent me
and I have life because of the Father,
so also the one who feeds on me
will have life because of me.**

This is the bread that came down from heaven.

**Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died,
whoever eats this bread will live forever.”**

The Gospel of the Lord.

John 6:51-59

Reading for Funeral Liturgy

#45 (Gos)Lectionary

Deacon or Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

**When Jesus arrived in Bethany, he found that Lazarus
had already been in the tomb for four days.
Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, only about two miles away.
Many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary
to comfort them about their brother.
When Martha heard that Jesus was coming,
she went to meet him;
but Mary sat at home.
Martha said to Jesus,
“Lord, if you had been here,
my brother would not have died.
But even now I know that whatever you ask of God,
God will give you.”
Jesus said to her,
“Your brother will rise.”
Martha said to him,
“I know he will rise,
in the resurrection on the last day.”
Jesus told her,
“I am the resurrection and the life;
whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live,
and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.
Do you believe this?”
She said to him, “Yes, Lord.
I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God,
the one who is coming into the world.”**

The Gospel of the Lord.

John 11:17-27

Reading for Funeral Liturgy

#46 (Gos)Lectionary

Deacon or Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

When Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him,
she fell at his feet and said to him,
“Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.”

When Jesus saw her weeping
and the Jews who had come with her weeping,
he became perturbed and deeply troubled, and said,
“Where have you laid him?”

They said to him, “Sir, come and see.” And Jesus wept.

So the Jews said, “See how he loved him.”

But some of them said,

“Could not the one who opened the eyes of the blind man
have done something so that this man would not have died?”

So Jesus, perturbed again, came to the tomb.

It was a cave, and a stone lay across it.

Jesus said, “Take away the stone.”

Martha, the dead man’s sister, said to him,

“Lord, by now there will be a stench; he has been dead for four days.”

Jesus said to her,

“Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?”

So they took away the stone.

And Jesus raised his eyes and said,

“Father, I thank you for hearing me.

I know that you always hear me;

but because of the crowd here I have said this,
that they may believe that you sent me.”

And when he had said this,

he cried out in a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!”

The dead man came out,

tied hand and foot with burial bands,
and his face was wrapped in a cloth.

So Jesus said to the crowd, “Untie him and let him go.”

Now many of the Jews who had come to Mary
and seen what he had done began to believe in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

John 11:32-45

Reading for Funeral Liturgy

#47 (Gos)Lectionary

Deacon or Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Jesus said to his disciples:

“The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.

Amen, amen, I say to you,

unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies,

it remains just a grain of wheat;

but if it dies, it produces much fruit.

Whoever loves his life will lose it,

and whoever hates his life in this world

will preserve it for eternal life.

Whoever serves me must follow me,

and where I am, there also will my servant be.

The Father will honor whoever serves me.

“I am troubled now. Yet what should I say?

‘Father, save me from this hour’?

But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour.

Father, glorify your name.”

Then a voice came from heaven,

“I have glorified it and will glorify it again.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

John 12:23-28

Reading for Funeral Liturgy

#48 (Gos)Lectionary

Deacon or Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Jesus said to his disciples:

“Do not let your hearts be troubled.

You have faith in God; have faith also in me.

In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places.

If there were not,

would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?

And if I go and prepare a place for you,

I will come back again and take you to myself,

so that where I am you also may be.

Where I am going you know the way.”

Thomas said to him,

“Master, we do not know where you are going;

how can we know the way?”

Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth and the life.

No one comes to the Father except through me.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

John 14:1-6

Reading for Funeral Liturgy

#47b (Gos)Lectionary

Deacon or Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

When Judas had left them, Jesus said,

“Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him.

If God is glorified in him,

God will also glorify him in himself,

and God will glorify him at once.

My children, I will be with you only a little while longer.

I give you a new commandment: love one another.

As I have loved you, so you also should love one another.

This is how all will know that you are my disciples,

if you have love for one another.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

John 13:31-33a, 34-35

Reading for Funeral Liturgy

#49 (Gos)Lectionary

Deacon or Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

**Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said:
“Father, those whom you gave me are your gift to me.
I wish that where I am they also may be with me,
that they may see my glory that you gave me,
because you loved me before the foundation of the world.
Righteous Father, the world also does not know you,
but I know you, and they know that you sent me.
I made known to them your name and I will make it known,
that the love with which you loved me
may be in them and I in them.”**

The Gospel of the Lord.

John 17:24-26