PSALM CHOICES

Psalm #1

Responsorial Psalm (psalm 27)

Reader: I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living.

(Response.)

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall, I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?
(Response.)

One thing I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple. (Response.)

Hear, O Lord when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me!
"Come," my heart says, "seek his face!"
Your face, Lord, do I seek.
Do not hide your face from me. (Response.)

I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. Wait for the Lord.

Be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord! (Response.)

Responsorial psalm (Psalm 116 -- an Alleluia psalm)

Reader: I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

(Response.)

Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful.
The Lord protects the simple.
when I was brought low, he saved me. (Response.)

I kept my faith, even when I said, "I am greatly afflicted"; I said in my consternation, "Everyone is a liar." (Response.)

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his faithful ones. O Lord, I am your servant. You have loosed my bonds. (Response).

Responsorial psalm (Psalm 23)

Reader: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Or: If I should walk in the valley of darkness, no evil would I fear, for you are with me.

(Response.)

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters, he restores my soul. (Response.)

He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff-they comfort me. (Response.)

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. (Response.)

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long. (Response.)

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Responsorial psalm (Psalm 25)

Reader: Those who hope in you, O Lord, shall not be disappointed.

(Response.)

Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

According to your steadfast love remember me, for your goodness' sake, O Lord!

(Response.)

Relieve the troubles of my heart and bring me out of my distress.

Consider my affliction and my trouble and forgive all my sins. (Response.)

O guard my life, and deliver me; do not let me be put to shame, for I take refuge in you. May integrity and uprightness preserve me, for I wait for you. (Response.)

Responsorial psalm (Psalm 42)

Reader: My soul is thirsting for God, the God of my life.

(Response.)

As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God. (Response.)

My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and behold the face of God? (Response.)

These things I remember, as I pour out my soul: how I went with the throng, and led them in procession to the house of God, with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving, a multitude keeping festival. (Response.)

Responsorial psalm (Psalm 103)

Reader: The salvation of the just comes from the Lord.

(Response.)

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always accuse, nor will he keep his anger forever. (Response.)

As a father has compassion for his children, so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him. For he knows how we were made; he remembers that we are dust. (Response.)

As for mortals, their days are like grass; they flourish like a flower of the field; for the wind passes over it, and it is gone, and its place knows it no more. (Response.)

But the steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and his righteousness to children's children, to those who keep his covenant and remember to do his commandments. (Response.)