A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah:

Remember not the events of the past, the things of long ago consider not;

See, I am doing something new!

Now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?

In the wilderness, I make a way;

in the wasteland, rivers.

The Word of the Lord.

(Is. 43:18-19)

A Reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians:

Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.

Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.

Keep on doing what you have learned and received and heard and seen in me.

Then the God of peace will be with you.

The Word of the Lord.

(4:6-9)

A Reading from the Holy Gospel According to Luke:

When a large crowd gathered, with people from one town after another journeying to him, Jesus spoke in a parable: "A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path and was trampled, and the birds of the sky ate it up. Some seed fell on rocky ground, and when it grew, it withered for lack of moisture. Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some seed fell on good soil, and when it grew, it produced fruit a hundredfold."

After saying this, he called out, "Whoever has ears to hear ought to hear."

The Gospel of the Lord.

(8:4-8)