



## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9–15

TIME AFTER PENTECOST — LECTIONARY 28

Year C, Complementary Series

### FIRST READING: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

A reading from Second Kings.

<sup>1</sup>Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram,  
was a great man and in high favor with his master  
because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram.  
The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from a skin disease.

<sup>2</sup>Now the Arameans on one of their raids  
had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel,  
and she served Naaman's wife.

<sup>3</sup>She said to her mistress,  
"If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria!  
He would cure him of his skin disease."

<sup>7</sup>When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said,  
"Am I God, to give death or life,  
that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his skin disease?  
Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

<sup>8</sup>But when Elisha the man of God heard  
that the king of Israel had torn his clothes,  
he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes?  
Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel."

<sup>9</sup>So Naaman came with his horses and chariots  
and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house.

<sup>10</sup>Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying,  
"Go, wash in the Jordan seven times,  
and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean."

<sup>11</sup>But Naaman became angry and went away, saying,  
"I thought that for me he would surely come out  
and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God  
and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the skin disease!

<sup>12</sup>Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus,  
better than all the waters of Israel?  
Could I not wash in them and be clean?"

He turned and went away in a rage. ▶

<sup>13</sup>But his servants approached and said to him,  
“Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult,  
would you not have done it?”

How much more, when all he said to you was, ‘Wash, and be clean?’”

<sup>14</sup>So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan,  
according to the word of the man of God;  
his flesh was restored like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.

<sup>15</sup>Then Namaan returned to the man of God, he and all his company;  
he came and stood before Elisha and said,  
“Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel.”

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

### **PSALMODY: Psalm 111**

### **SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 2:8-15**

A reading from Second Timothy.

<sup>8</sup>Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—  
that is my gospel, <sup>9</sup>for which I suffer hardship,  
even to the point of being chained like a criminal.

But the word of God is not chained.

<sup>10</sup>Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect,  
so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus,  
with eternal glory. <sup>11</sup>The saying is sure:

    If we have died with Christ, we will also live with Christ;

<sup>12</sup>if we endure, we will also reign with Christ;

    if we deny him, he will also deny us;

<sup>13</sup>if we are faithless, he remains faithful—

    Christ cannot deny himself.

<sup>14</sup>Remind them of this, and warn them before the Lord  
that they are to avoid wrangling over words,  
which does no good but only ruins those who are listening.

<sup>15</sup>Do your best to present yourself to God as one whom God approves,  
a worker who has no need to be ashamed,  
rightly explaining the word of truth.

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

## **GOSPEL: Luke 17:11-19**

The holy gospel according to Luke.

<sup>11</sup>On the way to Jerusalem

Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee.

<sup>12</sup>As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him.

Keeping their distance, <sup>13</sup>they called out, saying,

“Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!”

<sup>14</sup>When Jesus saw them, he said to them,

“Go and show yourselves to the priests.”

And as they went, they were made clean.

<sup>15</sup>Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice.

<sup>16</sup>He prostrated himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him.

And he was a Samaritan.

<sup>17</sup>Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean?

So where are the other nine?

<sup>18</sup>Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?”

<sup>19</sup>Then Jesus said to the Samaritan,

“Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.”

The gospel of the Lord.