

SCRIPTURE READINGS

FIRST READING

Exodus 24:12-18

The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them." Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

PSALM 99

The Lord is King;

let the people tremble; *

he is enthroned upon the cherubim;

let the earth shake.

The Lord is great in Zion; *

he is high above all peoples.

Let them confess his Name,

which is great and awesome; *

he is the Holy One.

"O mighty King, lover of justice,

you have established equity; *

you have executed justice and
righteousness in Jacob."

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God

and fall down before his footstool; *

he is the Holy One.

Moses and Aaron among his priests,

and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, *

they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.

He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; *

they kept his testimonies and

the decree that he gave them.

O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; *

you were a God who forgave them,

yet punished them for their evil deeds.

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God

and worship him upon his holy hill; *

for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

SECOND READING

2 Peter 1:16-21

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from

heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

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THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 17:1-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."



**WE REMEMBER BEFORE GOD ALL PEOPLE THROUGHOUT
THE WORLD WHOSE LIVES HAVE BEEN DISRUPTED
BY VIOLENCE OR WAR.**

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO WORK FOR PEACE
AND FOR NEW BEGINNINGS.**

AS WE PRAY, LET US REMEMBER

✠ Those in special need, especially Cynthia; Jeff; Sherry; Wendy; Mae; Anita; Juli; Fred & Renee; Bob; Sandy & Randy; Marion; Krista; John; Morgan; Buddy; Sophie; Chloe; Matthew; Rob; Nathan; Mariam; Larry & Leslie; Josephine; Brayden; Jess; Wally; Kay; Roland; Keira.

✠ We pray for those who have died.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JAZZ AT TWILIGHT—THIS EVENING, 6 PM

DON'T MISS OUR SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE & SAUSAGE SUPPER — 5 PM, THIS TUESDAY!

**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES
10AM, 12 NOON, AND 6:30PM.**

OUR LENTEN SERIES BEGINS THIS FRIDAY

THE MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR VIRGINIA ANN LEITA WILL BE HELD THIS SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29. Virginia is the mother of John Leita and mother-in-law of Laura Leita. She passed away on January 30. We will have a memorial service this Saturday at 11 AM.

LOOKING FOR YOUR POT OF GOLD? CHECK OUT ST. JOHN'S CLOSET! There will be a 25% discount on anything GREEN for a LEPRECHAUN sale through March 14th. Also, crafters will be selling on POWWOW Saturday, March 7th. Stop by on Friday's & Saturdays from 9-1 and see what's new. Thanks for your continued support. The St. John's Closet Crew

BISHOP REDDALL HAS DESIGNATED MARCH 8TH AS CHAPEL ROCK SUNDAY THROUGHOUT THE DIOCESE. On that day, the Bishop is asking each church and congregation members to support the Chapel Rock Campership Fund for the benefit of our children and youth. The experiences that our campers have at Chapel Rock are life changing and extraordinary. Every year, when we read camper evaluations, camper after camper says, "That was the best week of my summer!" It is fun, Christ-centered, and provides the opportunity to grow closer to God through the beauty and power of our Episcopal Church traditions. Help send children and youth to camp this summer! There will be a collection taken to support the campership fund Sunday, March 8th. You can also go to Chapel Rock's website, www.chapelrock.net/donate.htm to contribute securely online.

St. John the Baptist is equipped with two types of hearing assistance devices: a receiver with an earbud or a neck loop (for use with telecoil-equipped hearing aids and cochlear implants). Either device can be used at any seat in the church. Please speak with an usher for assistance.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Today	Holy Eucharist Rite I	8 AM
	DOK meeting (CH 3)	9 AM
	Nursery care	9:30–11:15 AM
	Sunday School (CH 2 & 8)	9:45 AM
	Holy Eucharist Rite II/Youth Sunday	10 AM
	Praise Band Practice	11:30 AM
	Jazz at Twilight	6 PM
Tue.	Pancake & Sausage Supper	5 PM
	Joyful Noise practice	7 PM
Wed.	Ash Wednesday services	10 AM, 12 noon, 6:30 PM
	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:15 PM
Thu.	FTTA (PH)	
Fri.	St. John's Closet	9 AM—1 PM
Sat.	St. John's Closet	9 AM—1 PM
	Cursillo Secretariat (CH 4-5)	10 AM
	Memorial Service/Virginia Ann Leita	11 AM
Sun.	Healing Litany & Holy Eucharist Rite I	8 AM
	Nursery care	9:30–11:15 AM
	Sunday School (CH 2 & 8)	9:45 AM
	Youth Group (CH 6)	9:45 AM
	Healing Litany & Holy Eucharist Rite II	10 AM
	Praise Band Practice	11:30 AM

Our altar flowers are given
by Beverly Perkins

FOOD PANTRY
canned tuna, pancake mix and syrup
grape jelly, cereal, toothbrushes

BLESSING BAGS
Travel size or individually wrapped please
Oreos, Rice Krispie treats
Goldfish