

joy and gladness will be found in her,
thanksgiving and the voice of song.
Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation;
for a teaching will go out from me,
and my justice for a light to the peoples.
I will bring near my deliverance swiftly,
my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples;
the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope.
Lift up your eyes to the heavens,
and look at the earth beneath;
for the heavens will vanish like smoke,
the earth will wear out like a garment,
and those who live on it will die like gnats;
but my salvation will be for ever,
and my deliverance will never be ended. *Isaiah 51.1-6*
Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

We say the verses of Psalm 138 alternately:

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the
gods will I sing praise to you.

**I will bow down towards your holy temple and praise your
name, because of your love and faithfulness; for you have
glorified your name and your word above all things.**

In the day that I called to you, you answered me; you put new
strength in my soul.

**All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord, for they have
heard the words of your mouth.**

They shall sing of the ways of the Lord, that great is the glory of
the Lord.

**Though the Lord be high, he watches over the lowly; as for the
proud, he regards them from afar.**

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you will preserve me; you
will stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;
your right hand will save me.

The Lord shall make good his purpose for me; your loving-kindness, O Lord, endures for ever; forsake not the work of your hands.

Psalm 138

A reading from Paul's letter to the Christians in Rome:

I appeal to you therefore, sisters and brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God - what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Romans 12:1-8

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it.

Alleluia!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Matthew

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son

of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah. *Matthew 16:13-20*
This is the Gospel of the Lord, praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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29th John Lawry
30th Julie Shirley
2nd Ray Woods*