

Andrew, Apostle and Martyr

Year B

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Prayer of the Day

Everliving God,
whose apostle Andrew heard the call of your Son
and followed, bringing his brother with him:
inspire us, like him,
to offer ourselves readily for your service
and to tell others the good news of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy,

Chapter 30 beginning at Verse 11

¹¹Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. ¹²It is not in heaven, that you should say, "Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" ¹³Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, "Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" ¹⁴No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe. [NRSV Deuteronomy 30:11-14]

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

Psalm 19:1-6

- ¹ The heavens declare the glory of God:
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork;
- ² One day tells it to another:
and night to night communicates knowledge.
- ³ There is no speech or language:
nor are their voices heard;

- ⁴ Yet their sound has gone out through all the world:
and their words to the ends of the earth.
- ⁵ There he has pitched a tent for the sun:
which comes out as a bridegroom from his chamber,
and rejoices like a strong man to run his course.
- ⁶ Its rising is at one end of the heavens,
and its circuit to their farthest bound:
and nothing is hidden from its heat.

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans,

Chapter 10 beginning at Verse 8

⁸ But what does it say? “The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹ because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. ¹¹ The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” ¹² For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³ For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

¹⁴ But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? ¹⁵ And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!” ¹⁶ But not all have obeyed the good news; for Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed our message?” ¹⁷ So faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes through the word of Christ.

¹⁸ But I ask, have they not heard? Indeed they have; for “Their voice has gone out to all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world.”

[NRSV Romans 10:8-18]

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew,

Chapter 4 beginning at Verse 18

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

¹⁸ As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea - for they were fishermen. ¹⁹ And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” ²⁰ Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹ As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. ²² Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

[NRSV Matthew 4:18-22]

This is the Gospel of the Lord, ***praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.***

Sentence

**Andrew found his brother, told him, ‘We have found the Messiah!’,
and then brought Simon to Jesus.**