

**The First Sunday after Epiphany  
of the octave**

A reading from the Book of Proverbs, chapter 8, beginning at the 32nd verse.

This passage may be found in the pew bible on page 733.

**[PAUSE]** *The Wisdom of God says,*

“Now therefore, listen to me,

*my children,*

For blessed *are those who* keep

my ways.

33 Hear instruction and be wise,

And do not disdain *it*.

34 Blessed is the man who listens

to me,

Watching daily at my gates,

Waiting at the posts of my doors.

35 For whoever finds me finds life,

And obtains favor from the LORD;

36 But he who sins against me wrongs his

own soul;

All those who hate me love death.”

**[PAUSE]** This is the word of the Lord.

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**The Psalter – Psalm 72:1-8**

GIVE the King thy judgments, O God, \*  
and thy righteousness unto the King's son.

Then shall he judge thy people according  
unto right, \* and defend the poor.

The mountains also shall bring peace, \*  
and the little hills righteousness unto the  
people.

He shall keep the simple folk by their right,  
\* defend the children of the poor, and  
punish the wrong doer.

They shall fear thee, as long as the sun and  
moon endureth, \* from one generation to  
another.

He shall come down like the rain upon the  
mown grass, \* even as the drops that water  
the earth.

In his time shall the righteous flourish; \*  
yea, and abundance of peace, so long as  
the moon endureth.

His dominion shall be also from the one  
sea to the other, \* and from the River unto  
the world's end.

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The New Testament is written in the 12<sup>th</sup> chapter of St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans, beginning at the first verse.

This passage may be found in the Book of Common Prayer on page 110.

**[PAUSE]** I beseech you therefore, brethren, among you, not to think of himself more by the mercies of God, that ye present highly than he ought to think, but to think your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, soberly, according as God hath dealt to acceptable unto God, which is your every man the measure of faith. For as we reasonable service. And be not conformed have many members in one body, and all to this world; but be ye transformed by the members have not the same office; so we, renewing of your mind, that ye may prove being many, are one body in Christ, and what is that good, and acceptable, and every one members one of another.

**[PAUSE]** This is the word of the Lord.

perfect will of God. For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is