

**The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity**

The Old Testament is written in the second chapter of Proverbs, beginning at the first verse.

This passage may be found in the pew Bible on page 726.

*(Pause to allow parishioners to find the page.)*

My son, if you receive my words,  
And treasure my commands within you,  
So that you incline your ear to wisdom,  
And apply your heart to understanding;  
Yes, if you cry out for discernment,  
And lift up your voice for understanding,  
If you seek her as silver,  
And search for her as for hidden treasures;  
Then you will understand the fear of the Lord,  
And find the knowledge of God.

For the Lord gives wisdom;  
From His mouth come knowledge and understanding;  
He stores up sound wisdom for the upright;  
He is a shield to those who walk uprightly;  
He guards the paths of justice,  
And preserves the way of His saints.

Then you will understand righteousness and justice,  
Equity and every good path.

*(Pause for a count of 5)*

This is the word of the Lord.

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**Psalm 48**

1 GREAT is the Lord, and highly to be praised \* in the city of our God, even upon his holy hill.

2 The hill of Sion is a fair place, and the joy of the whole earth; \* upon the north side lieth the city of the great King: God is well known in her palaces as a sure refuge.

3 For lo, the kings of the earth \* were gathered, and gone by together.

4 They marvelled to see such things; \* they were astonished, and suddenly cast down.

5 Fear came there upon them; and sorrow, \* as upon a woman in her travail.

6 Thou dost break the ships of the sea \* through the east-wind.

7 Like as we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God; \* God upholdeth the same for ever.

8 We wait for thy loving-kindness, O God, \* in the midst of thy temple.

9 O God, according to thy Name, so is thy praise unto the world's end; \* thy right hand is full of righteousness.

10 Let the mount Sion rejoice, and the daughters of Judah be glad, \* because of thy judgments.

11 Walk about Sion, and go round about her; \* and tell the towers thereof.

12 Mark well her bulwarks, consider her palaces, \* that ye may tell them that come after.

13 For this God is our God for ever and ever: \* he shall be our guide unto death.

***Glory be...***

**The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity**

The Epistle is written in the first chapter of St. Paul's first Epistle to the Corinthians, beginning at the fourth verse.

This passage may be found in the Book of Common Prayer on page 214.

*(Pause to allow parishioners to find the page.)*

I THANK my God always on your behalf, for the grace of God which is given you by Jesus Christ; that in every thing ye are enriched by him, in all utterance, and in all knowledge; even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed

in you: so that ye come behind in no gift; waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ: who shall also confirm you unto the end, that ye may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

*(Pause for a count of 5)*

This is the word of the Lord.