

April 23, 2023

A reading from Acts

All Services

^{14a}Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd], ³⁶“Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

³⁷Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?”

³⁸Peter said to them, “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” ⁴⁰And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.”

⁴¹So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

The word of the Lord.

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READING: Psalm 116

Early Service Only

“We will read the Psalm responsively.”

L: ¹I love the LORD, because he has heard my voice and my supplications.

C: ²Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

L: ³The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish.

C: ⁴Then I called on the name of the LORD: "O LORD, I pray, save my life!"

L: ¹²What shall I return to the LORD for all his bounty to me?

C: ¹³I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD,

L: ¹⁴I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.

C: ¹⁵Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his faithful ones.

L: ¹⁶O LORD, I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your serving girl. You have loosed my bonds.

C: ¹⁷I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the LORD.

L: ¹⁸I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people,

C: ¹⁹in the courts of the house of the LORD, in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the LORD!