A reading from Acts

All Services

⁴⁴While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. ⁴⁵The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, ⁴⁶for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, ⁴⁷"Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" ⁴⁸So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

The word of the Lord.

READING: Psalm 98 Early Service Only

"We will read the Psalm responsively."

LEADER: ¹O sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things. His right hand and his holy arm have gotten him victory.

CONGREGATION: ²The LORD has made known his victory; he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.

L: ³He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

C: ⁴Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

L: ⁵Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody.

C: ⁶With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD.

L: ⁷Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it.

C: 8Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy

L: ⁹at the presence of the LORD, for he is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.