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For use with the First Lesson

Adapted from The Vocabulary of the Church (1960):

Ter'ah TAIR-ruh

A'bram AY-bruhm

Na'hor NAY-hor

Har'an HAIR-uhn

Chalde'ans kal-DEE-uhns

Sar'ai SAIR-igh

Mo'reh MOH-reh

Shech'em SHEK-uhm

A'i AY-igh

Negeb neh-GEB

A note to be read to the congregation before reading the Lesson:

The lectionary omits the beginning of today's appointed passage, the genealogy of the descendants of Noah's son Shem until A'bram, the son of Na'hor, is named.

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We include Genesis 12:9 today because it is the conclusion of the appointed passage. The lectionary omits Genesis 11:10–26, the genealogy of the descendants of Noah's son Shem until Abram, the son of Nahor, is named. We concur with this omission.

The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from Genesis

Now these are the descendants of Ter'ah. Ter'ah was the father of A'bram, Na'hor, and Har'an; and Har'an was the father of Lot. Har'an died before his father Ter'ah in the land of his birth, in Ur of the Chalde'ans. And A'bram and Na'hor took wives; the name of A'bram's wife was Sar'ai, and the name of Na'hor's wife, Milcah, the daughter of Har'an the father of Milcah and Iscah. Now Sar'ai was barren; she had no child. Ter'ah took A'bram his son and Lot the son of Har'an, his grandson, and Sar'ai his daughter-in-law, his son Abram's wife, and they went forth together from Ur of the Chalde'ans to go into the land of Canaan; but when they came to Har'an, they settled there. The days of Ter'ah were two hundred and five years; and Ter'ah died in Har'an. Now the LORD said to A'bram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who curses you I will curse; and by you all the families of the earth shall bless themselves." So A'bram went,

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as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. A'bram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Har'an. And A'bram took Sar'ai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their possessions which they had gathered, and the persons that they had gotten in Har'an; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, A'bram passed through the land to the place at Shech'em, to the oak of Mo'reh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the LORD appeared to A'bram, and said, "To your descendants I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him. Thence he removed to the mountain on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and A'i on the east; and there he built an altar to the LORD and called on the name of the LORD. And A'bram journeyed on, still going toward the Negeb. The Reader concludes The Word of the Lord.

The Second Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the Gospel according to Mark On that day, when evening had come, Jesus said to the disciples, "Let us go across to the other side." And

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leaving the crowd, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. And other boats were with him. And a great storm of wind arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already filling. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care if we perish?" And he awoke and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you no faith?" And they were filled with awe, and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even wind and sea obey him?" *The Reader concludes* The Word of the Lord.

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