YEAR 1, EPIPHANY 3, TUESDAY: EVENING PRAYER

For use with the First Lesson

Adapted from The Vocabulary of the Church (1960):

A'bram AY-bruhm

Elie'zer el-li-EE-zur

Chalde'ans kal-DEE-uhns

Euphra'tes yuu-FRAY-teez

Ken'ites KIN-ights

Ken'izzites KIN-i-zights

Kad'monites KAD-muhn-ights

Per'izzites PEAR-i-zights

Reph'aim REF-ay-im

Am'orites AM-uh-rights

Gir'gashites GUR-guh-shights (hard "G")

Jeb'usites JEB-yuu-sights

The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from Genesis

After these things the word of the LORD came to A'bram in a vision, "Fear not, A'bram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But A'bram said, "O Lord GOD, what wilt thou give me, for I

continue childless, and the heir of my house is Elie'zer of Damascus?" And A'bram said, "Behold, thou hast given me no offspring; and a slave born in my house will be my heir." And behold, the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; your own son shall be your heir." And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the LORD; and he reckoned it to him as righteousness. And he said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chalde'ans, to give you this land to possess." But he said, "O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a she-goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." And he brought him all these, cut them in two, and laid each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down upon the carcasses, A'bram drove them away. As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell on A'bram; and lo, a dread and great darkness fell upon him. Then the LORD said to A'bram, "Know of a surety that your descendants will be sojourners in a land that is not theirs, and will be slaves there, and

they will be oppressed for four hundred years; but I will bring judgment on the nation which they serve, and afterward they shall come out with great possessions. As for yourself, you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried in a good old age. And they shall come back here in the fourth generation; for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet complete." When the sun had gone down and it was dark, behold, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the LORD made a covenant with A'bram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphra'tes, the land of the Ken'ites, the Ken'izzites, the Kad'monites, the Hittites, the Per'izzites, the Reph'aim, the Am'orites, the Canaanites, the Gir'gashites and the Jeb'usites." The Reader concludes The Word of the Lord.

Please turn the page for the Second Lesson.

For use with the Second Lesson

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Jo'ses

JOH-seez

The Second Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the Gospel according to Mark

Jesus went away from there and came to his own country; and his disciples followed him. And on the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue; and many who heard him were astonished, saying, "Where did this man get all this? What is the wisdom given to him? What mighty works are wrought by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Jo'ses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. And Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor, except in his own country, and among his own kin, and in his own house." And he could do no mighty work there, except that he laid his hands upon a few sick people and healed them. And he marveled because of their unbelief. And he went about among the villages teaching. And he called to him the twelve, and began to send them out two by two, and gave

them authority over the unclean spirits. He charged them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not put on two tunics. And he said to them, "Where you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. And if any place will not receive you and they refuse to hear you, when you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet for a testimony against them." So they went out and preached that men should repent. And they cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many that were sick and healed them.

The Reader concludes The Word of the Lord.