

**YEAR 1, EPIPHANY 5, SATURDAY:
EVENING PRAYER**

For use with the First Lesson

Adapted from *The Vocabulary of the Church* (1960):

Har'an

HAIR-uhn

La'ban

LAY-buhn

Na'hor

NAY-hor

The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from Genesis

Then Jacob went on his journey, and came to the land of the people of the east. As he looked, he saw a well in the field, and lo, three flocks of sheep lying beside it; for out of that well the flocks were watered. The stone on the well's mouth was large, and when all the flocks were gathered there, the shepherds would roll the stone from the mouth of the well, and water the sheep, and put the stone back in its place upon the mouth of the well. Jacob said to them, "My brothers, where do you come from?" They said, "We are from Har'an." He said to them, "Do you know La'ban the son of Na'hor?" They said, "We know him." He said to them, "Is it well with him?" They said, "It is well;

and see, Rachel his daughter is coming with the sheep!” He said, “Behold, it is still high day, it is not time for the animals to be gathered together; water the sheep, and go, pasture them.” But they said, “We cannot until all the flocks are gathered together, and the stone is rolled from the mouth of the well; then we water the sheep.” While he was still speaking with them, Rachel came with her father’s sheep; for she kept them. Now when Jacob saw Rachel the daughter of La’ban his mother’s brother, and the sheep of La’ban his mother’s brother, Jacob went up and rolled the stone from the well’s mouth, and watered the flock of La’ban his mother’s brother. Then Jacob kissed Rachel, and wept aloud. And Jacob told Rachel that he was her father’s kinsman, and that he was Rebekah’s son; and she ran and told her father. When La’ban heard the tidings of Jacob his sister’s son, he ran to meet him, and embraced him and kissed him, and brought him to his house. Jacob told La’ban all these things, and La’ban said to him, “Surely you are my bone and my flesh!” And he stayed with him a month. Then La’ban said to Jacob, “Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?” Now La’ban had two daughters; the name of the older was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah’s eyes were

weak, but Rachel was beautiful and lovely. Jacob loved Rachel; and he said, “I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel.” La'ban said, “It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me.” So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her.

The Reader concludes The Word of the Lord.

For use with the Second Lesson

Adapted from *The Vocabulary of the Church* (1960):

Bartima'eus

bar-ti-MAY-uhs

Tima'eus

ti-MAY-uhs

The Second Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the Gospel according to Mark

And Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho; and as he was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a great multitude, Bartima'eus, a blind beggar, the son of Tima'eus, was sitting by the roadside. And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent; but he

cried out all the more, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” And Jesus stopped and said, “Call him.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart; rise, he is calling you.” And throwing off his mantle he sprang up and came to Jesus. And Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” And the blind man said to him, “Master, let me receive my sight.” And Jesus said to him, “Go your way; your faith has made you well.” And immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way.

The Reader concludes The Word of the Lord.