

FIRST READING

Special:

Isaiah 40:25-31

READER: A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

To whom can you liken me as equal? Says the Holy One.

Lift up your eyes on high and see who has created these things:
He leads out their army and numbers them, calling them all by name.
By his great might and the strength of his power not one of them is
missing!

Why, O Jacob, do you say, and declare, O Isreal,
“My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my
God?”

Do you not know or have you not heard?
The Lord is the eternal God, creator of the ends of the earth.

He does not faint nor grow weary, and his knowledge is beyond
scrutiny.

He gives strength to the fainting; for the weak he makes vigor abound.

Though young men faint and grow weary, and youths stagger and fall,
They that hope in the Lord will renew their strength, they will soar as
with eagles’ wings;

They will run and not grow weary, walk and not grow faint.

READER: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.