

FIRST READING
1 Samuel 3:4–10, 19

A reading from the first book of Samuel

Samuel was sleeping in the temple
when the LORD called out to him.

“Here I am,” Samuel answered.
He ran to Eli and said,
“Here I am, sir. What can I do for you?”

Eli replied, “I didn’t call you. Go back to bed.”
So Samuel went back.

Once more the LORD called Samuel’s name.
Samuel got up.
He went to Eli and said,
“Here I am. What can I do for you?”

But Eli told him, “Son, I didn’t call you.
Now go back to sleep.”

Samuel did not realize that the LORD was speaking,
because this was the first time the LORD had spoken to him.
When the LORD spoke a third time that night,
Samuel again went to Eli and said,
“Here I am. What can I do for you?”

Eli now knew that it was the LORD who was speaking to Samuel.
So Eli told him, “Go back to bed.
If someone speaks to you again,
answer, ‘LORD, I am your servant.
Speak, and I will listen.’”
Once again Samuel went back and lay down.

The LORD came and stood beside Samuel.
Then he called out as he had done before, “Samuel! Samuel!”

The boy replied, “LORD, I am your servant.
Speak, and I will listen.”

As Samuel grew up,
the LORD was with him and made everything he said come true.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 40:1 & 3ab, 8 & 11

All: *Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.*

*I patiently waited, LORD,
for you to hear my prayer.
You listened
and you gave me a new song,
a song of praise to you.*

All: *Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.*

*"I enjoy pleasing you.
Your Law is in my heart."
You, LORD, never fail
to have pity on me;
your love and faithfulness
always keep me secure.*

All: *Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.*

GOSPEL
John 1:35–42

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

On one occasion John was with two of his followers.
When he saw Jesus walking by,
he said, "Here is the Lamb of God!"
John's two followers heard him,
and they went with Jesus.

When Jesus turned and saw them,
he asked, "What do you want?"

They answered, "Rabbi, where do you live?"
The Hebrew word "Rabbi" means "Teacher."

Jesus replied, "Come and see!"

It was already about four o'clock in the afternoon
when they went with him and saw where he lived.
So they stayed on for the rest of the day.

One of the two men who had heard John
and had gone with Jesus
was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter.
The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother and tell him,
"We have found the Messiah!"
The Hebrew word "Messiah" means the same as the Greek word "Christ."
Andrew brought his brother to Jesus.
And when Jesus saw him, he said,
"Simon son of John, you will be called Cephas."
This name can be translated as "Peter."

The Gospel of the Lord.