

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
— September 5, 2004 —

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Psalm 119:137, 124

Lord, you are just, and the judgments you make are right. Show mercy when you judge me, your servant.

FIRST READING

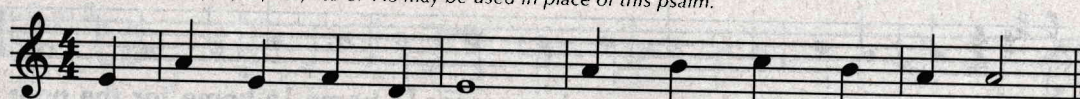
Wisdom 9:13-18b (129C)

No one understands heaven or earth completely, but God sends wisdom and the Holy Spirit to light up the paths of those who search for the way.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17

Common Psalm 19, 27, 34, 63, 100, 103 or 145 may be used in place of this psalm.



R. In ev - 'ry age, O Lord, you have been our ref - uge.

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SECOND READING

Philemon 9-10, 12-17

While Paul was in prison, he begged Philemon to receive back the runaway slave, Onesimus, as a beloved brother and partner in Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Psalm 119:135



R. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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(Omit if not sung)

GOSPEL READING

Luke 14:25-33

Jesus taught his followers the hard lesson of the cross: good accounting, careful planning, anticipating changes, decision making and finishing the job.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Psalm 41:2-3

Like a deer that longs for running streams, my soul longs for you, my God. My soul is thirsting for the living God.

Or

John 8:12

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; the man who follows me will have the light of life.