Scripture Lessons:

## Psalm 24:1-2, 9-10

<sup>1</sup>To the Lord belong the earth and everything in it, The world and all its inhabitants.

<sup>2</sup>For it was he who founded it on the seas, and planted it firm on the waters beneath.

<sup>9</sup>Lift up your heads, you gates: lift them up, you everlasting doors, that the King of glory may come in
<sup>10</sup>Who is this king of glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory.

## Job (selected verses from chapters 38–42)

The Lord spoke to Job from out of the tempest... Where were you when the foundations of the world were laid? On what do its supporting pillars rest?

Have you comprehended the vast expanse of the world?

Which is the way to the home of light?

And where does the darkness go?

Can you command the clouds to envelop you in a deluge of rain? Does your skill teach the hawk to use its pinions and spread its wings toward the south?

Do you instruct the eagle to soar aloft and build its nest high up? Have you considered the crocodile, the chief of beasts?

What power is in the muscles of his belly! He is a tyrant over his fellow creatures.

He has no equal on earth, a creature utterly fearless...over all beasts he is king.

Job answered the Lord...

I know that you can do all things, And that no purpose is beyond you...

I have spoken of things which I have not understood, things too wonderful for me to know...

You said, I shall put questions to you, and you must answer.

I knew of you then only by report, but now I see you with my own eyes. Therefore I yield, repenting in dust and ashes.

## Revelation 21: 1-5

<sup>1</sup> I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had vanished, and there was no longer any sea. <sup>2</sup> I saw the Holy City, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, made ready like a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup> I heard a loud voice, proclaiming from the throne: Now God has his dwelling with humankind! He will dwell among them and they shall be his people, and God himself will be with them. <sup>4</sup> He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There shall be an end to death, and to mourning and crying and pain, for the old order has passed away! <sup>5</sup> The One who sat on the throne said, "I am making all things new."