

## **First Lesson – Proverbs 3:1-8**

- 1 My son, do not forget my teaching,  
but keep my commands in your heart,**
- 2 for they will prolong your life many years  
and bring you peace and prosperity.**
- 3 Let love and faithfulness never leave you;  
bind them around your neck,  
write them on the tablet of your heart.**
- 4 Then you will win favor and a good name  
in the sight of God and man.**
- 5 Trust in the LORD with all your heart  
and lean not on your own understanding;**
- 6 in all your ways submit to him,  
and he will make your paths straight.**
- 7 Do not be wise in your own eyes;  
fear the LORD and shun evil.**
- 8 This will bring health to your body  
and nourishment to your bones.**

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READER: **This is the Word of the Lord.**

CONGREGATION: Thanks be to God!

## **Second Lesson – Jeremiah 29:10-14**

**10 This is what the LORD says: “When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will come to you and fulfill my good promise to bring you back to this place. 11 For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. 12 Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. 13 You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. 14 I will be found by you,” declares the LORD, “and will bring you back from captivity. I will gather you from all the nations and places where I have banished you,” declares the LORD, “and will bring you back to the place from which I carried you into exile.”**

**READER: This is the Word of the Lord.**

**CONGREGATION: Thanks be to God!**

**READER: Please stand for the reading of the Gospel.**

## **Gospel Lesson – Matthew 7:24-27**

**24 “Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. 25The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. 26But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. 27The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash.”**

**PASTOR: This is the Gospel of the Lord.**

**CONGREGATION: Praise to You, O Christ!**