SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Sunday, January 14–20 Lectionary 2 Year B

FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 3:1-10 [11-20]

A reading from First Samuel.

¹Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli.

The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

²At that time Eli,

whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see,

was lying down in his room;

³the lamp of God had not yet gone out,

and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD,

where the ark of God was.

⁴Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!"

and he said, "Here I am!"

⁵and ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me."

But Eli said, "I did not call; lie down again."

So Samuel went and lay down.

⁶The Lord called again, "Samuel!"
Samuel got up and went to Eli and said,
"Here I am, for you called me."
But Eli said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again."
⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord,
and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him.

⁸The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and if the Lord calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!"

And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." ▶

[11 Then the LORD said to Samuel,
"See, I am about to do something in Israel
that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle.
12 On that day I will fulfill against Eli
all that I have spoken concerning his house,
from beginning to end.

¹³For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. ¹⁴Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever."

¹⁵Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the Lord.

Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli.

¹⁶But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son."

He said, "Here I am."

¹⁷Eli said, "What was it that the Lord told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that God told you."

¹⁸So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him.

Then Eli said, "Let the Lord do what seems good to the Lord."

¹⁹As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. ²⁰And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the LORD.]

Word of God, word of life. *or* The word of the Lord.

PSALMODY: Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

A reading from First Corinthians.

¹²"All things are permitted for me," but not all things are beneficial.

"All things are permitted for me," but I will not be dominated by anything.

¹³"Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food,"

and God will destroy both one and the other.

The body is meant not for sexual immorality but for the Lord and the Lord for the body.

¹⁴And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by divine power.

¹⁵Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute?

Never!

¹⁶Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with that prostitute?

For it is said, "The two shall be one flesh."

¹⁷But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with the Lord.

¹⁸Shun sexual immorality!

Every sin that a person commits is outside the body,

but the sexually immoral person sins against the body itself.

¹⁹Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own?

²⁰For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

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GOSPEL: John 1:43-51

The holy gospel according to John.

⁴³The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee.

He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me."

- 44 Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter.
- ⁴⁵Philip found Nathanael and said to him,
- "We have found the one about whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth."
- ⁴⁶Nathanael said to Philip, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see."
- ⁴⁷When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him,
- "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!"
- ⁴⁸Nathanael asked Jesus, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered,
- "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you."
- ⁴⁹Nathanael replied,
- "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!"
- ⁵⁰Jesus answered,
- "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these."
- ⁵¹And Jesus said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son-of-Man."

The gospel of the Lord.