

PROPER 27 IN ORDINARY TIME

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

1 Kings 17:8-16

A reading from the first book of Kings

The widow made a little scone from her flour meal and brought it to Elijah.

The word of the LORD came to Elijah, saying, "Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you." So Elijah the prophet went to Zarephath; and when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks; and he called to her and said, Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink. And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand. And she said, As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a cruse; and now, I am gathering a couple of sticks, that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die. And Elijah said to her, Fear not; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make for yourself and your son. For thus says the

LORD the God of Israel, The jar of meal shall not be spent, and the cruse of oil shall not fail, until the day that the LORD sends rain upon the earth. And she went and did as Elijah said; and she, and he, and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not spent, neither did the cruse of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD which he spoke by Elijah.

The Word of the Lord.

Psalm 146 [page 803]

Hebrews 9:24-28

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Christ, offered Himself on the cross to bear the sins of many.

Christ has entered, not into a sanctuary made with hands, a copy of the true one, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer Himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the Holy Place yearly with blood not his own; for then He would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, He has appeared once for all at the end of the age to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself. And just as it is appointed for men to die once, and after that comes judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

The Word of the Lord.

Mark 12:38-44

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.
Your words, O Lord, are spirit and life, you have the words of everlasting life.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

The ► Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

The poor widow has put more in than all who contributed.

In the course of His teaching, Jesus said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to go about in long robes, and to have salutations in the market places and the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts, who devour widows' houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation." And 'He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the multitude putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. And a poor widow came, and put in two copper coins, which make a penny. And He called His disciples to Him, and said to them, "Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For they all contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, her whole living."

The gospel of the Lord.