



# ECUMENICAL CHURCH OF OCCITANIE

Readings for Evening Prayer Tuesday 7 December 2021

## Isaiah 35: 3-10

Strengthen the weak hands,  
and make firm the feeble knees.

Say to those who are of a fearful heart,  
'Be strong, do not fear!

Here is your God.

He will come with vengeance,  
with terrible recompense.

He will come and save you.'

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,  
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;  
then the lame shall leap like a deer,  
and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.

For waters shall break forth in the wilderness,  
and streams in the desert;

the burning sand shall become a pool,  
and the thirsty ground springs of water;

the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp,  
the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

A highway shall be there,  
and it shall be called the Holy Way;

the unclean shall not travel on it,  
but it shall be for God's people;  
no traveller, not even fools, shall go astray.

No lion shall be there,  
nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it;  
they shall not be found there,  
but the redeemed shall walk there.

And the ransomed of the Lord shall return,  
and come to Zion with singing;

everlasting joy shall be upon their heads;  
they shall obtain joy and gladness,  
and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

## **Psalm 24: 3-10**

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord?

And who shall stand in his holy place?

Those who have clean hands and pure hearts,  
who do not lift up their souls to what is false,  
and do not swear deceitfully.

They will receive blessing from the Lord,  
and vindication from the God of their salvation.

Such is the company of those who seek him,  
who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

Lift up your heads, O gates!

and be lifted up, O ancient doors!  
that the King of glory may come in.

Who is the King of glory?

The Lord, strong and mighty,  
the Lord, mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O gates!

and be lifted up, O ancient doors!  
that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?

The Lord of hosts,  
he is the King of glory.