



ST. FRANCIS
IN THE FIELDS
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Please read the lesson from the lectern.

THE LESSON

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

5:00 PM

Romans 10:5-15

Reader says: **A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans**

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? “The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.” But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

Reader: **The Word of the Lord.**

People: Thanks be to God.

Pause, then read the Psalm.

Reader says: **Psalm 85, verses 8 through 13, will be read responsively by whole verse.**

Reader **I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to him.**

People Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.

Reader **Mercy and truth have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other.**

People Truth shall spring up from the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

Reader **The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, and our land will yield its increase.**

People Righteousness shall go before him, and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.