A reading from the book of Revelation:

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth.

I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race.

He will dwell with them and they will be his people

and God himself will always be with them as their God.

He will wipe away every tear from their eyes,

and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, for the old order has passed away."

The One who sat on the throne said,

"Behold, I make all things new."

The Word of the Lord