

A reading from the Book of Lamentations:

The favors of the LORD are not exhausted,
his mercies are not spent;

They are renewed each morning,
so great is his faithfulness.

My portion is the LORD, says my soul;
therefore will I hope in him.

Good is the LORD to one who waits for him,
to the soul that seeks him;

It is good to hope in silence
for the saving help of the LORD.

The Word of the Lord