

**A READING FROM THE WISDOM OF SOLOMON (6:12-16)**

Wisdom is radiant and unfading, and she is easily discerned by those who love her, and is found by those who seek her. She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her. One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty, for she will be found sitting at the gate. To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding, and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care, because she goes about seeking those worthy of her, and she graciously appears to them in their paths, and meets them in every thought.

*Reader: The Word of the Lord.*

**THE PSALM 108:1-6 (SAID TOGETHER)**

<sup>1</sup> My heart is firmly fixed, O God, my heart is fixed; \*

I will sing and make melody.

<sup>2</sup> Wake up, my spirit; awake, lute and harp; \*

I myself will waken the dawn.

<sup>3</sup> I will confess you among the peoples, O Lord; \*

I will sing praises to you among the nations.

<sup>4</sup> For your loving-kindness is greater than the heavens, \*

and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

<sup>5</sup> Exalt yourself above the heavens, O God, \*

and your glory over all the earth.

<sup>6</sup> So that those who are dear to you may be delivered, \*

save with your right hand and answer me.