A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

Moses assembled the people to remind them
how the Lord had spoken out of the fire
while they stood at the foot of the mountain.
He said:

32 “Ask now about former ages, long before your own,
ever since the day that God created human beings on the earth;
ask from one end of heaven to the other:
‘has anything so great as this ever happened
or has its like ever been heard of?’

33 “Has any people ever heard the voice of a god
speaking out of a fire, as you have heard, and lived?

34 Or has any god ever attempted to go
and take a nation for himself
from the midst of another nation,
by trials, by signs and wonders, by war,
by a mighty hand and an outstretched arm,
and by terrifying displays of power,
as the Lord your God did for you in Egypt
before your very eyes?

39 “So acknowledge today and take to heart
that the Lord is God in heaven above
and on the earth beneath;
there is no other.

40 Keep his statutes and his commandments,
which I am commanding you today
for your own well-being and that of your descendants after you,
so that you may long remain in the land
that the Lord your God is giving you for all time.”

The word of the Lord.

A period of silence is observed after the reading.
RESPONSORIAL PSALM  Psalm 33.4-5, 6+9, 18-19, 20+22 (R.12)

R. Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

4 The word of the Lord is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness.
5 He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord. R.
6 By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, and all their host by the breath of his mouth.
9 For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm. R.
18 Truly the eye of the Lord is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love,
19 to deliver their souls from death, and to keep them alive in famine. R.
20 Our soul waits for the Lord; he is our help and shield.
22 Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us, even as we hope in you. R.

SECOND READING  Romans 8.14-17

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

14 All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.
15 For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption.
16 When we cry, “Abba! Father!”
17 it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God,
18 and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ.
19 In fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

The word of the Lord.

A period of silence is observed after the reading.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION  See Revelation 1.8

This verse may accompany the singing of the Alleluia.
If the Alleluia is not sung, the acclamation is omitted.

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come.
A reading from the holy gospel according to Matthew.

16 The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them.
17 When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted.
18 And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.
19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
20 and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you.

“And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

The gospel of the Lord.