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**A reading from 1 Peter chapter 4 verses 7 through 11. You can find this reading on page 1016 of your pew Bible.**

The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

**The Word of the Lord.**

***Thanks be to God.***

**Please join me in praying Psalm 90.**

Leader: So teach us to number our days  
that we may get a heart of wisdom.

**People: Return, O Lord! How long?  
Have pity on your servants!**

Leader: Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,  
that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

**People: Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us,  
and for as many years as we have seen evil.**

Leader: Let your work be shown to your servants,  
and your glorious power to their children.

**People: Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us,  
and establish the work of our hands upon us;  
yes, establish the work of our hands!**

**Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit: as it  
was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**Leader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Matthew.**

***People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

“You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet.

“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

**Leader: The Gospel of the Lord**

***People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.***