The Lay Reader's Script for Reformation Sunday October 27th, 2019

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After the Prelude, please begin the Call to Worship...

Let us begin with our Call to Worship.

One: By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation;

All: you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.

One: By your strength you established the mountains;

All: You are girded with might.

One: You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples.

All: Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.

After the Gloria Patri, and after everyone is seated, please say:

"Let us pray our Prayer of Illumination":

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. By your Spirit make yourself known to us through the reading and preaching of your Word, that we might be faithful witness in this life and joyful companions in the next, even with Jesus, in whose name we pray, Amen.

And now the First Reading, 2 Timothy 4:6-8; 16-18

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

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At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.