

Gospel

Luke 23:44-46. 50. 52-53. 24:1-6

*Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.*

✠ A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

It was about the sixth hour and, with the sun eclipsed,  
a darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour.  
The veil of the Temple was torn right down the middle;  
and when Jesus had cried out in a loud voice, he said,  
'Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.'  
With these words he breathed his last.

Then a member of the council arrived,  
an upright and virtuous man named Joseph.  
This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus.  
He then took it down, wrapped it in a shroud  
and put him in a tomb which was hewn in stone  
in which no one had yet been laid.

On the first day of the week, at the first sign of dawn,  
the women went to the tomb with the spices they had prepared.  
They found that the stone had been rolled away from the tomb,  
but on entering discovered that the body of the Lord Jesus was not there.  
As they stood there not knowing what to think,  
two men in brilliant clothes suddenly appeared at their side.  
Terrified, the women lowered their eyes.  
But the two men said to them,  
'Why look among the dead for someone who is alive?  
He is not here; he has risen.'

The Gospel of the Lord.