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| 2 Timothy 4: 1-2,6-8Selection B19 | **A Reading from the Second Letter of St. Paul to the Timothy****I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus,** **who will judge the living and the dead,**  **and by his appearing and his kingly power:** **proclaim the word; be persistent**  **whether it is convenient or inconvenient;**  **convince, reprimand, encourage**  **through all patience and teaching.****For I am already being poured out like a libation,**  **and the time of my departure is at hand.** **I have competed well;**  **I have finished the race;**  **I have kept the faith.** **From now on the crown of righteousness awaits me,**  **which the Lord, the just judge,**  **will award to me on that day, and not only to me,**  **but to all who have longed for his appearance.** **The Word of the Lord** |