

SCRIPTURE READINGS: LIVING WORD BULLETINS

December 1, 2019 (Advent 1) – April 4, 2021 (Easter)

This list of scripture readings is based on the Revised Common Lectionary: Year A, then B.

Sequence of readings is: Old Testament, Psalms, New Testament Epistles, and Gospels.

Readings in *italic* provide the source for the themes used in the *Living Word Bulletin Series*.

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YEAR A

December 1, 2019 – Advent 1

Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalms 122 (8)

Romans 13:11-14

Matthew 24:36-44

December 8 – Advent 2 / On Earth Peace Sunday

Isaiah 11:1-10

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

Romans 15:4-13 (4)

Matthew 3:1-12

December 10 – Human Rights Day

December 15 – Advent 3 / Advent Offering

Isaiah 35:1-10 (10)

Psalm 146:5-10 or Luke 1:47-55

James 5:7-10

Matthew 11:2-11

December 22 – Advent 4

Isaiah 7:10-16

Psalms 80:1-7, 17-19 (19)

Romans 1:1-7

Matthew 1:18-25

December 24 / 25 – Christmas Eve / Day

Isaiah 9:2-7

Psalm 96

Titus 2:11-14

Luke 2:1-14, (15-20) (10)

or

Isaiah 62:6-12

Psalm 97

Titus 3:4-7

Luke 2:(1-7), 8-20

or

Isaiah 52:7-10

Psalm 98

Hebrews 1:1-4, (5-12)

John 1:1-14

December 29 – First Sunday after Christmas

Isaiah 63:7-9 (8)

Psalm 148

Hebrews 2:10-18

Matthew 2:13-23

December 31 – New Year's Eve

January 5, 2020 – Second Sunday after Christmas

Jeremiah 31:7-14 (7)

Psalm 147:12-20

Ephesians 1:3-14

John 1:(1-9), 10-18

or

Epiphany (if celebrated)

Isaiah 60:1-6

Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14

Ephesians 3:1-12

Matthew 2:1-12

January 6 – Epiphany

January 12 – Baptism of the Lord

Isaiah 42:1-9

Psalm 29

Acts 10:34-43

Matthew 3:13-17 (16)

January 18-25 – Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

January 19 – Epiphany 2

Isaiah 49:1-7

Psalm 40:1-11

1 Corinthians 1:1-9 (6)

John 1:29-42

January 20 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

January 26 – Epiphany 3

Isaiah 9:1-4
Psalm 27:1, 4-9 (1)
1 Corinthians 1:10-18
Matthew 4:12-23

February 2 – Epiphany 4 / Service Sunday

Micah 6:1-8
Psalm 15 (2)
1 Corinthians 1:18-31
Matthew 5:1-12

February 9 – Epiphany 5

Isaiah 58:1-9a, (9b-12)
Psalm 112:1-9 (10)
1 Corinthians 2:1-12, (13-16)
Matthew 5:13-20 (14)

February 16 – Epiphany 6

Deuteronomy 30:15-20
Psalm 119:1-8
1 Corinthians 3:1-9 (9)
Matthew 5:21-37

February 23 – Last Sunday of Epiphany

Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18
Psalm 119:33-40
1 Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23 (22)
Matthew 5:38-48

or

Transfiguration (if celebrated)

Exodus 24:12-18
Psalm 2 or *Psalm 99*
2 Peter 1:16-21
Matthew 17:1-9

February 26 – Ash Wednesday

March 1 – Lent 1

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7
Psalm 32
Romans 5:12-19 (17)
Matthew 4:1-11

March 6 – World Day of Prayer

March 8 – Lent 2

Genesis 12:1-4a
Psalm 121 (1)
Romans 4:1-5, 13-17
John 3:1-17 or Matthew 17:1-9

March 15 – Lent 3 / One Great Hour of Sharing

Exodus 17:1-7
Psalm 95
Romans 5:1-11
John 4:5-42 (10)

March 22 – Lent 4

1 Samuel 16:1-13
Psalm 23
Ephesians 5:8-14 (14)
John 9:1-41

March 29 – Lent 5

Ezekiel 37:1-14
Psalm 130
Romans 8:6-11 (6)
John 11:1-45

April 5 – Palm Sunday

Liturgy of the Palms

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29
Matthew 21:1-11

or

Liturgy of the Passion (if celebrated)

Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm 31:9-16
Philippians 2:5-11 (9)
Matthew 26:14–27:66 or Matthew 27:11-54

April 9 – Maundy Thursday / Love Feast

Exodus 12:1-4, (5-10), 11-14 (14)

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19
1 Corinthians 11:23-26
John 13:1-17, 31b-35

April 12 – Easter

Acts 10:34-43 or Jeremiah 31:1-6
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
Colossians 3:1-4 (4) or Acts 10:34-43
John 20:1-18 or Matthew 28:1-10

April 19 – Easter 2

Acts 2:14a, 22-32
Psalm 16 (11)
1 Peter 1:3-9
John 20:19-31

April 22 – Earth Day (50th anniversary)

April 26 – Easter 3

Acts 2:14a, 36-41
Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19
1 Peter 1:17-23 (22)
Luke 24:13-35

May 3 – Easter 4 / National Youth Sunday

Acts 2:42-47 (42)
Psalm 23
1 Peter 2:19-25
John 10:1-10

May 7 – National Day of Prayer**May 10 – Easter 5 / Mother's Day**

Acts 7:55-60
Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16
1 Peter 2:2-10 (2)
John 14:1-14

May 17 – Easter 6

Acts 17:22-31 (28)
Psalm 66:8-20
1 Peter 3:13-22
John 14:15-21

May 21 – Ascension of the Lord**May 24 – Easter 7**

Acts 1:6-14
Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35 (4)
1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11
John 17:1-11

May 31 – Pentecost Sunday / Pentecost Offering

Acts 2:1-21 or Numbers 11:24-30
Psalm 104:24-34, 35b (30)
1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 or Acts 2:1-21
John 20:19-23 or John 7:37-39

June 5 – World Environment Day**June 7 – Trinity Sunday**

Genesis 1:1–2:4a
Psalm 8
2 Corinthians 13:11-13
Matthew 28:16-20 (19)

June 14 – Pentecost 2

Exodus 19:2-8a
Psalm 100
Romans 5:1-8 (5)
Matthew 9:35–10:8, (9-23)

June 21 – Pentecost 3 / Father's Day

Jeremiah 20:7-13
Psalm 69:7-10, (11-15), 16-18
Romans 6:1b-11
Matthew 10:24-39 (31)

June 28 – Pentecost 4

Jeremiah 28:5-9
Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18
Romans 6:12-23
Matthew 10:40-42 (40)

July 5 – Pentecost 5 / Annual Conference

Zechariah 9:9-12
Psalm 145:8-14 (8)
Romans 7:15-25a
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

July 12 – Pentecost 6

Isaiah 55:10-13 (12)
Psalm 65:(1-8), 9-13
Romans 8:1-11
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

July 19 – Pentecost 7

Isaiah 44:6-8
Psalm 86:11-17 (11)
Romans 8:12-25
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

July 26 – Pentecost 8

1 Kings 3:5-12
Psalm 119:129-136
Romans 8:26-39
Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52 (44)

August 2 – Pentecost 9

Isaiah 55:1-5
Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21
Romans 9:1-5
Matthew 14:13-21 (20)

August 9 – Pentecost 10

1 Kings 19:9-18
Psalm 85:8-13
Romans 10:5-15 (9)
Matthew 14:22-33

August 16 – Pentecost 11

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8
Psalm 67 (2)
Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32
Matthew 15:(10-20), 21-28

August 23 – Pentecost 12

Isaiah 51:1-6 (1)

Psalm 138

Romans 12:1-8

Matthew 16:13-20

August 30 – Pentecost 13

Jeremiah 15:15-21

Psalm 26:1-8

Romans 12:9-21 (9)

Matthew 16:21-28

September 6 – Pentecost 14

Ezekiel 33:7-11

Psalm 119:33-40

Romans 13:8-14 (12)

Matthew 18:15-20

September 7 – Labor Day

September 13 – Pentecost 15 / Grandparents

Day / Mission Offering

Genesis 50:15-21

Psalm 103:(1-7), 8-13

Romans 14:1-12 (3)

Matthew 18:21-35

September 20 – Pentecost 16

Jonah 3:10-4:11

Psalm 145:1-8

Philippians 1:21-30 (28)

Matthew 20:1-16

September 21 – International Day of Peace

September 27 – Pentecost 17

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

Psalm 25:1-9 (5)

Philippians 2:1-13

Matthew 21:23-32

October 4 – Pentecost 18 / World

Communion Sunday

Isaiah 5:1-7

Psalm 80:7-15

Philippians 3:4b-14 (10)

Matthew 21:33-46

October 11 – Pentecost 19

Isaiah 25:1-9

Psalm 23 (5)

Philippians 4:1-9

Matthew 22:1-14

October 16 – World Food Day

October 18 – Pentecost 20 / Bethany Sunday

Isaiah 45:1-7

Psalm 96:1-9, (10-13)

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Matthew 22:15-22 (21)

October 25 – Pentecost 21

Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18

Psalm 1

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 (4)

Matthew 22:34-46

November 1 – Pentecost 22 / All Saints Day /

National Junior High Sunday

Micah 3:5-12

Psalm 43

1 Thessalonians 2:9-13

Matthew 23:1-12

or

All Saints (if celebrated)

Revelation 7:9-17

Psalm 34:1-10, 22 (10)

1 John 3:1-3

Matthew 5:1-12

November 8 – Pentecost 23

Amos 5:18-24 (24)

Psalm 70

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Matthew 25:1-13

November 15 – Pentecost 24

Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

Psalm 90:1-8, (9-11), 12

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 (5)

Matthew 25:14-30

November 22 – Christ the King Sunday

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Psalm 95:1-7a (2)

Ephesians 1:15-23

Matthew 25:31-46

November 26 – Thanksgiving Day

YEAR B

November 29 – Advent 1

Isaiah 64:1-9

Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Mark 13:24-37 (37)

December 6 – Advent 2 / On Earth Peace Sunday

Isaiah 40:1-11 (3)
Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13
2 Peter 3:8-15a
Mark 1:1-8

December 10 – Human Rights Day

December 13 – Advent 3 / Advent Offering

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11 (1)
Psalm 126 or Luke 1:47-55
1 Thessalonians 5:16-24
John 1:6-8, 19-28

December 20 – Advent 4

2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16
Luke 1:47-55 or *Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26 (1)*
Romans 16:25-27
Luke 1:26-38

December 24 / 25 – Christmas Eve / Day

Isaiah 9:2-7
Psalm 96
Titus 2:11-14
Luke 2:1-14, (15-20) (14)
or
Isaiah 62:6-12
Psalm 97
Titus 3:4-7
Luke 2:(1-7), 8-20
or
Isaiah 52:7-10
Psalm 98
Hebrews 1:1-4, (5-12)
John 1:1-14

December 27 – First Sunday after Christmas

Isaiah 61:10–62:3 (10)
Psalm 148
Galatians 4:4-7
Luke 2:22-40

January 3, 2021– Second Sunday after Christmas

Jeremiah 31:7-14
Psalm 147:12-20
Ephesians 1:3-14
John 1:(1-9), 10-18
or

Epiphany (if celebrated)

Isaiah 60:1-6
Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14
Ephesians 3:1-12
Matthew 2:1-12 (10)

January 6 – Epiphany

January 10 – Baptism of the Lord

Genesis 1:1-5 (1)
Psalm 29
Acts 19:1-7
Mark 1:4-11

January 17 – Epiphany 2

1 Samuel 3:1-10, (11-20)
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18
1 Corinthians 6:12-20
John 1:43-51 (46)

January 18 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

January 18-25 – Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

January 24 – Epiphany 3

Jonah 3:1-5, 10
Psalm 62:5-12
1 Corinthians 7:29-31
Mark 1:14-20 (17)

January 31 – Epiphany 4

Deuteronomy 18:15-20
Psalm 111 (2)
1 Corinthians 8:1-13
Mark 1:21-28

February 7 – Epiphany 5 / Service Sunday

Isaiah 40:21-31 (31)
Psalm 147:1-11, 20c
1 Corinthians 9:16-23
Mark 1:29-39

February 14 – Last Sunday of Epiphany

2 Kings 5:1-14
Psalm 30
1 Corinthians 9:24-27
Mark 1:40-45
or

Transfiguration (if celebrated)

2 Kings 2:1-12
Psalm 50:1-6 (2)
2 Corinthians 4:3-6
Mark 9:2-9

February 17 – Ash Wednesday

February 21 – Lent 1

Genesis 9:8-17
Psalm 25:1-10 (4)
1 Peter 3:18-22
Mark 1:9-15

February 28 – Lent 2

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16
Psalm 22:23-31 (26)
Romans 4:13-25
Mark 8:31-38 or Mark 9:2-9

March 5 – World Day of Prayer

March 7 – Lent 3

Exodus 20:1-17 (8)
Psalm 19
1 Corinthians 1:18-25
John 2:13-22

March 14 – Lent 4

Numbers 21:4-9
Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22
Ephesians 2:1-10
John 3:14-21 (16)

March 21 – Lent 5 / One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

Jeremiah 31:31-34
Psalm 51:1-12 or Psalm 119:9-16
Hebrews 5:5-10
John 12:20-33 (21)

March 28 – Palm Sunday

Liturgy of the Palms

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29
Mark 11:1-11 or John 12:12-16

or

Liturgy of the Passion (if celebrated)

Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm 31:9-16
Philippians 2:5-11 (8)
Mark 14:1-15:47 or Mark 15:1-39, (40-47)

April 1 – Maundy Thursday / Love Feast

Exodus 12:1-4, (5-10), 11-14
Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19
1 Corinthians 11:23-26
John 13:1-17, 31b-35 (15)

April 4 – Easter

Acts 10:34-43 or Isaiah 25:6-9
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
1 Corinthians 15:1-11 or Acts 10:34-43
John 20:1-18 (18) or Mark 16:1-8

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