

Lectionary for 2017

(Year A plus Advent Year B)

The Revised Common Lectionary (RCL) is a three-year cycle of readings that tell many stories of the Bible. An ecumenical resource for use in Christian worship, the RCL is used by churches around the world. It can guide planners of Sunday worship and may be used occasionally or regularly, in part or in whole.

Numbers in parentheses indicate verses for optional use. The psalm is intended as a congregational response.

The numbers beside each date are suggested bulletin covers.

New Year's Day

January 1 0117

Ecclesiastes 3:1-3
Psalm 8
Revelation 21:1-6a
Matthew 25:31-46

Celebrate Epiphany

January 6

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

Baptism of Jesus

January 8 0217

Isaiah 42:1-9
Psalm 29
Acts 10:34-43
Matthew 3:13-17

Second after Epiphany

January 15 0317

Isaiah 49:1-7
Psalm 40:1-11
1 Corinthians 1:1-9
John 1:29-42

Third after Epiphany

January 22 0417

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

Fourth after Epiphany

January 29 0517

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

Fifth after Epiphany

February 5 0617

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

Sixth after Epiphany

February 12 0717

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

Seventh after Epiphany

February 19

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

Transfiguration Sunday

February 26 0817

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

First Sunday in Lent

March 5 0917

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

Second Sunday in Lent

March 12 1017

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

Third Sunday in Lent

March 19 1117

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

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 26 1217

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

Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 2 1317

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

Palm/Passion Sunday

April 9 1417

Liturgy of the Palms
Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29
Matthew 21:1-11

Liturgy of the Passion

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

Good Friday

April 14

Isaiah 52:13-53:12
Psalm 22
Hebrews 10:16-25
or Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9
John 18:1-19:42

Resurrection Sunday/Easter

April 16 1517

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

Second Sunday of Easter

April 23 1617

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

Third Sunday of Easter

April 30

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

Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 7 1717

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

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 14 1817

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

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 21 1917

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

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 28 2017

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

Pentecost Sunday

June 4 2117

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

Trinity Sunday

June 11 2217

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

Proper 6/Second after Pentecost

June 18 2317

Genesis 18:1-15 (21:1-7)
Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19
Exodus 19:2-8a
Psalm 100
Romans 5:1-8
Matthew 9:35-10:8 (9-23)

Proper 7/Third after Pentecost

June 25 2417

Genesis 21:8-21
Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17
Jeremiah 20:7-13
Psalm 69:7-10, (11-15), 16-18
Romans 6:1b-11
Matthew 10:24-39

Proper 8/Fourth after Pentecost

July 2 2517

Genesis 22:1-14
Psalm 13
Jeremiah 28:5-9
Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18
Romans 6:12-23
Matthew 10:40-42

Proper 9/Fifth after Pentecost*July 9*

Genesis 24:34–38, 42–49,
58–67
Psalm 45:10–17
or Song of Solomon 2:8–13
Zechariah 9:9–12
Psalm 145:8–14
Romans 7:15–25a
Matthew 11:16–19, 25–30

Proper 10/Sixth after Pentecost*July 16*

Genesis 25:19–34
Psalm 119:105–112
Isaiah 55:10–13
Psalm 65:(1–8) 9–13
Romans 8:1–11
Matthew 13:1–9, 18–23

Proper 11/Seventh after Pentecost*July 23*

Genesis 28:10–19a
Psalm 139:1–12, 23–24
Wisdom of Solomon 12:13,
16–19
or Isaiah 44:6–8
Psalm 86:11–17
Romans 8:12–25
Matthew 13:24–30, 36–43

Proper 12/Eighth after Pentecost*July 30*

Genesis 29:15–28
Psalm 105:1–11, 45b
or Psalm 128
1 Kings 3:5–12
Psalm 119:129–136
Romans 8:26–39
Matthew 13:31–33, 44–52

Proper 13/Ninth after Pentecost*August 6 2617*

Genesis 32:22–31
Psalm 17:1–7, 15
Isaiah 55:1–5
Psalm 145:8–9, 14–21
Romans 9:1–5
Matthew 14:13–21

Proper 14/Tenth after Pentecost*August 13*

Genesis 37:1–4, 12–28
Psalm 105:1–6, 16–22, 45b
1 Kings 19:9–18
Psalm 85:8–13
Romans 10:5–15
Matthew 14:22–33

Proper 15/Eleventh after Pentecost*August 20*

Genesis 45:1–15
Psalm 133
Isaiah 56:1, 6–8
Psalm 67
Romans 11:1–2a, 29–32
Matthew 15:(10–20) 21–28

Proper 16/Twelfth after Pentecost*August 27*

Exodus 1:8—2:10
Psalm 124
Isaiah 51:1–6
Psalm 138
Romans 12:1–8
Matthew 16:13–20

Proper 17/Thirteenth after Pentecost*September 3 2717*

Exodus 3:1–15
Psalm 105:1–6, 23–26, 45b
Jeremiah 15:15–21
Psalm 26:1–8
Romans 12:9–21
Matthew 16:21–28

Proper 18/Creation Time 1*September 10 2817*

Exodus 12:1–14
Psalm 149
Ezekiel 33:7–11
Psalm 119:33–40
Romans 13:8–14
Matthew 18:15–20

Proper 19/Creation Time 2*September 17 2917*

Exodus 14:19–31
Psalm 114
or Exodus 15:1b–11, 20–21
Genesis 50:15–21
Psalm 103:(1–7) 8–13
Romans 14:1–12
Matthew 18:21–35

Proper 20/Creation Time 3*September 24 3017*

Exodus 16:2–15
Psalm 105:1–6, 37–45
Jonah 3:10—4:11
Psalm 145:1–8
Philippians 1:21–30
Matthew 20:1–16

Proper 21/Creation Time 4/World Communion Sunday*October 1 3117*

Exodus 17:1–7
Psalm 78:1–4, 12–16
Ezekiel 18:1–4, 25–32
Psalm 25:1–9
Philippians 2:1–13
Matthew 21:23–32

Proper 22/Creation Time 5/Thanksgiving Sunday*October 8 3217*

Exodus 20:1–4, 7–9, 12–20
Psalm 19
Isaiah 5:1–7
Psalm 80:7–15
Philippians 3:4b–14
Matthew 21:33–46

Proper 23/World Food Sunday*October 15 3317*

Exodus 32:1–14
Psalm 106:1–6, 19–23
Isaiah 25:1–9
Psalm 23
Philippians 4:1–9
Matthew 22:1–14

Proper 24/Peace Sunday*October 22 3417*

Exodus 33:12–23
Psalm 99
Isaiah 45:1–7
Psalm 96:1–9 (10–13)
1 Thessalonians 1:1–10
Matthew 22:15–22

Proper 25/Reformation Sunday*October 29 3517*

Deuteronomy 34:1–12
Psalm 90:1–6, 13–17
Leviticus 19:1–2, 15–18
Psalm 1
1 Thessalonians 2:1–8
Matthew 22:34–46

Proper 26/All Saints Day*November 5 3617*

Joshua 3:7–17
Psalm 107:1–7, 33–37
Micah 3:5–12
Psalm 43
1 Thessalonians 2:9–13
Matthew 23:1–12

Proper 27/Remembrance Sunday*November 12 3717*

Joshua 24:1–3a, 14–25
Psalm 78:1–7
Wisdom of Solomon 6:12–16
or Amos 5:18–24
Wisdom of Solomon 6:17–20
or Psalm 70
1 Thessalonians 4:13–18
Matthew 25:1–13

Proper 28/Children's Sunday*November 19 3817*

Judges 4:1–7
Psalm 123
Zephaniah 1:7, 12–18
Psalm 90:1–8 (9–11), 12
1 Thessalonians 5:1–11
Matthew 25:14–30

Proper 29/Reign of Christ*November 26 3917*

Ezekiel 34:11–16, 20–24
Psalm 100
Psalm 95:1–7a
Ephesians 1:15–23
Matthew 25:31–46

First Sunday of Advent*December 3 4017*

Isaiah 64:1–9
Psalm 80:1–7, 17–19
1 Corinthians 1:3–9
Mark 13:24–37

Second Sunday of Advent*December 10 4117*

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

Third Sunday of Advent*December 17 4217*

Isaiah 61:1–4, 8–11
Psalm 126
or Luke 1:46b–55
1 Thessalonians 5:16–24
John 1:6–8, 19–28

Fourth Sunday of Advent/Christmas Eve*December 24 4317*

2 Samuel 7:1–11, 16
Luke 1:46b–55
or Psalm 89:1–4, 19–26
Romans 16:25–27
Luke 1:26–38

Christmas Day*December 25*

Isaiah 9:2–7
Psalm 96
Titus 2:11–14
Luke 2:1–14 (15–20)