

Lectionary for 2018

(Year B plus Advent Year C)

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.

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 7 1802

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

Second after Epiphany

January 14 1803

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

Third after Epiphany

January 21 1804

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

Fourth after Epiphany

January 28 1805

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

Fifth after Epiphany

February 4 1806

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

Transfiguration Sunday

February 11 1807

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

First Sunday in Lent

February 18 1808

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

Second Sunday in Lent

February 25 1809

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

Third Sunday in Lent

March 4 1810

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

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 11 1811

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

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 18 1812

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

Palm/Passion Sunday

March 25 1813

Liturgy of the Palms
Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29
Mark 11:1-11
or John 12:12-16
Liturgy of the Passion
Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm 31:9-16
Philippians 2:5-11
Mark 14:1-15:47
or Mark 15:1-39, (40-47)

Good Friday

March 30 1814

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 1 1815

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
or Mark 16:1-8

Second Sunday of Easter

April 8 1816

Acts 4:32-35
Psalm 133
1 John 1:1-2:2
John 20:19-31

Third Sunday of Easter

April 15 1817

Acts 3:12-19
Psalm 4
1 John 3:1-7
Luke 24:36b-48

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 22 1818

Acts 4:5-12
Psalm 23
1 John 3:16-24
John 10:11-18

Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 29 1819

Acts 8:26-40
Psalm 22:25-31
1 John 4:7-21
John 15:1-8

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 6 1820

Acts 10:44-48
Psalm 98
1 John 5:1-6
John 15:9-17

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 13 1821

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26
Psalm 1
1 John 5:9-13
John 17:6-19

Pentecost Sunday

May 20 1822

Acts 2:1-21
or Ezekiel 37:1-14
Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
Romans 8:22-27
or Acts 2:1-21
John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Trinity Sunday

May 27 1823

Isaiah 6:1-8
Psalm 29
Romans 8:12-17
John 3:1-17

Proper 4/Second after Pentecost

June 3 1824

1 Samuel 3:1-10, (11-20)
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18
Deuteronomy 5:12-15
Psalm 81:1-10
2 Corinthians 4:5-12
Mark 2:23-3:6

Proper 5/Third after Pentecost

June 10 1825

1 Samuel 8:4-11, (12-15),
16-20, (11:14-15)
Psalm 138
Genesis 3:8-15
Psalm 130
2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1
Mark 3:20-35

Proper 6/Fourth after Pentecost

June 17 1826

1 Samuel 15:34-16:13
Psalm 20
Ezekiel 17:22-24
Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15
2 Corinthians 5:6-10, (11-13),
14-17
Mark 4:26-34

Proper 7/Fifth after Pentecost

June 24 1827

1 Samuel 17:(1a, 4-11, 19-23),
32-49
Psalm 9:9-20
or 1 Samuel 17:57-18:5,
18:10-16
Psalm 133
Job 38:1-11
Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32
2 Corinthians 6:1-13
Mark 4:35-41

Proper 8/Sixth after Pentecost

July 1 1828

2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27
Psalm 130
Wisdom of Solomon 1:13-15,
2:23-24
or Lamentations 3:22-33
Psalm 30
2 Corinthians 8:7-15
Mark 5:21-43

Proper 9/Seventh after Pentecost*July 8 1829*

2 Samuel 5:1–5, 9–10
Psalm 48
Ezekiel 2:1–5
Psalm 123
2 Corinthians 12:2–10
Mark 6:1–13

Proper 10/Eighth after Pentecost*July 15*

2 Samuel 6:1–5, 12b–19
Psalm 24
Amos 7:7–15
Psalm 85:8–13
Ephesians 1:3–14
Mark 6:14–29

Proper 11/Ninth after Pentecost*July 22*

2 Samuel 7:1–14a
Psalm 89:20–37
Jeremiah 23:1–6
Psalm 23
Ephesians 2:11–22
Mark 6:30–34, 53–56

Proper 12/Tenth after Pentecost*July 29*

2 Samuel 11:1–15
Psalm 14
2 Kings 4:42–44
Psalm 145:10–18
Ephesians 3:14–21
John 6:1–21

Proper 13/Eleventh after Pentecost*August 5 1830*

2 Samuel 11:26–12:13a
Psalm 51:1–12
Exodus 16:2–4, 9–15
Psalm 78:23–29
Ephesians 4:1–16
John 6:24–35

Proper 14/Twelfth after Pentecost*August 12 1831*

2 Samuel 18:5–9, 15, 31–33
Psalm 130
1 Kings 19:4–8
Psalm 34:1–8
Ephesians 4:25–5:2
John 6:35, 41–51

Proper 15/Thirteenth after Pentecost*August 19*

1 Kings 2:10–12; 3:3–14
Psalm 111
Proverbs 9:1–6
Psalm 34:9–14
Ephesians 5:15–20
John 6:51–58

Proper 16/Fourteenth after Pentecost*August 26*

1 Kings 8:(1, 6, 10–11), 22–30,
41–43
Psalm 84
Joshua 24:1–2a, 14–18
Psalm 34:15–22
Ephesians 6:10–20
John 6:56–69

Proper 17/Fifteenth after Pentecost*September 2 1832*

Song of Solomon 2:8–13
Psalm 45:1–2, 6–9
Deuteronomy 4:1–2, 6–9
Psalm 15
James 1:17–27
Mark 7:1–8, 14–15, 21–23

Proper 18/Creation Time 1*September 9 1833*

Proverbs 22:1–2, 8–9, 22–23
Psalm 125
Isaiah 35:4–7a
Psalm 146
James 2:1–10, (11–13), 14–17
Mark 7:24–37

Proper 19/Creation Time 2*September 16 1834*

Proverbs 1:20–33
Psalm 19
Isaiah 50:4–9a
Psalm 116:1–9

or Wisdom of Solomon

7:26–8:1
James 3:1–12
Mark 8:27–38

Proper 20/Creation Time 3*September 23 1835*

Proverbs 31:10–31
Psalm 1
Wisdom of Solomon 1:16–2:1,
12–22
or Jeremiah 11:18–20
Psalm 54
James 3:13–4:3, 7–8a
Mark 9:30–37

Proper 21/Creation Time 4*September 30 1836*

Esther 7:1–6, 9–10; 9:20–22
Psalm 124
Numbers 11:4–6, 10–16, 24–29
Psalm 19:7–14
James 5:13–20
Mark 9:38–50

Proper 22/Creation Time 5/World Communion Sunday/Thanksgiving Sunday*October 7 1837*

Job 1:1; 2:1–10
Psalm 26
Genesis 2:18–24
Psalm 8
Hebrews 1:1–4; 2:5–12
Mark 10:2–16

Proper 23/Creation Time 6*October 14 1838*

Job 23:1–9, 16–17
Psalm 22:1–15
Amos 5:6–7, 10–15
Psalm 90:12–17
Hebrews 4:12–16
Mark 10:17–31

Proper 24/World Food Sunday*October 21 1839*

Job 38:1–7, (34–41)
Psalm 104:1–9, 24, 35c
Isaiah 53:4–12
Psalm 91:9–16
Hebrews 5:1–10
Mark 10:35–45

Proper 25/Peace Sunday/Reformation Sunday*October 28 1840*

Job 42:1–6, 10–17
Psalm 34:1–8, (19–22)
Jeremiah 31:7–9
Psalm 126
Hebrews 7:23–28
Mark 10:46–52

Proper 26/All Saints Sunday*November 4 1841*

Ruth 1:1–18
Psalm 146
Deuteronomy 6:1–9
Psalm 119:1–8
Hebrews 9:11–14
Mark 12:28–34

Proper 27/Remembrance Sunday*November 11 1842*

Ruth 3:1–5; 4:13–17
Psalm 127
1 Kings 17:8–16
Psalm 146
Hebrews 9:24–28
Mark 12:38–44

Proper 28/Children's Sunday*November 18 1843*

1 Samuel 1:4–20
1 Samuel 2:1–10
Daniel 12:1–3
Psalm 16
Hebrews 10:11–14, (15–18),
19–25
Mark 13:1–8

Proper 29/Reign of Christ*November 25 1844*

2 Samuel 23:1–7
Psalm 132:1–12, (13–18)
Daniel 7:9–10, 13–14
Psalm 93
Revelation 1:4b–8
John 18:33–37

First Sunday of Advent*December 2 1845*

Jeremiah 33:14–16
Psalm 25:1–10
1 Thessalonians 3:9–13
Luke 21:25–36

Second Sunday of Advent*December 9 1846*

Baruch 5:1–9
or Malachi 3:1–4
Luke 1:68–79
Philippians 1:3–11
Luke 3:1–6

Third Sunday of Advent*December 16 1847*

Zephaniah 3:14–20
Isaiah 12:2–6
Philippians 4:4–7
Luke 3:7–18

Fourth Sunday of Advent*December 23 1848*

Micah 5:2–5a
Luke 1:46b–55
or Psalm 80:1–7
Hebrews 10:5–10
Luke 1:39–45, (46–55)

Christmas Eve/Day*December 24/25 1849*

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

First Sunday after Christmas*December 30 1850*

1 Samuel 2:18–20, 26
Psalm 148
Colossians 3:12–17
Luke 2:41–52