# Year B - 2023/2024

Year B focuses on the Gospel of Mark with more selections from the Gospel of John than any other year. The semi-continuous readings from the Old Testament focus on the covenant of David and Wisdom literature. The second, New Testament, readings are from 1 and 2 Corinthians, Ephesians, James and Hebrews.

Advent

Nov. 30, 2023 through Dec. 24, 2023 Dec. 24, 2023 through Jan. 6, 2024

Christmas

Lent

**Easter** 

Time after Epiphany

Jan. 7, 2024 through Feb. 13, 2024 Feb. 14, 2024 through Mar. 27, 2024

The Three Days

March. 28, 2024 through March. 30, 2024 March 31, 2021 through May 22, 2024

Time after Pentecost

May 23, 2024 through Nov. 27, 2024



# YEAR B 2023/2024 — Advent

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Thu — Nov. 30	Zechariah 13:1-9	Revelation 14:6-13	Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19	
Or				

Thu., Nov. 30 — Andrew, Apostle

Readings Ezekiel 3:16-21 Psalm 19:1-6 (4) Romans 10:10-18 John 1:35-42

#### Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you gave your apostle Andrew the grace to obey the call of your Son and to bring his brother to Jesus. Give us also, who are called by your holy word, grace to follow Jesus without delay and to bring into his presence those who are near to us, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea | and Samaria,\*

	and to the ends   of the earth. Alleluia. (Acts 1:8)				
Color: Scarlet/Red					
Fri — Dec. 1	Zechariah 14:1-9	1 Thessalonians 4:1-18	Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19		
Sat — Dec. 2	Micah 2:1-13	Matthew 24:15-31	Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19		

# Sun. Dec. 3 — First Sunday of Advent

# Readings

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

# Prayer of the Day

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection waken us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and keep us blameless until the coming of your new day, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Show us your steadfast | love, O LORD,\* and grant us | your salvation. Alleluia. (Ps. 85:7)

#### Color: Blue

Mon — Dec. 4	Micah 4:1-5	Revelation 15:1-8	Psalm 79
Tue — Dec. 5	Micah 4:6-13	Revelation 18:1-10	Psalm 79
Wed — Dec. 6	Micah 5:1-5a	Luke 21:34-38	Psalm 79
Thu — Dec. 7	Hosea 6:1-6	1 Thessalonians 1:2-10	Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13
Fri — Dec. 8	Jeremiah 1:4-10	Acts 11:19-26	Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13
Sat — Dec. 9	Ezekiel 36:24-28	Mark 11:27-33	Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13

# Sun. Dec. 10 — Second Sunday of Advent

# <u>Readings</u>

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

# Prayer of the Day

Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming strengthen us to serve you with purified lives; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Prepare the way  $\!\!\!\!\!\!|$  of the Lord.\* All flesh shall see the salva- $\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!|$  tion of God. Alleluia. (Luke 3:4, 6)

# Color: Blue

Mon — Dec. 11	Isaiah 26:7-15	Acts 2:37-42	Psalm 27
Tue — Dec. 12	Isaiah 4:2-6	Acts 11:1-8	Psalm 27
Wed — Dec. 13	Malachi 2:10—3:1	Luke 1:5-17	Psalm 27
Thu — Dec. 14	Habakkuk 2:1-5	Philippians 3:7-11	Psalm 126
Fri — Dec. 15	Habakkuk 3:2-6	Philippians 3:12-16	Psalm 126

<b>at — Dec. 16</b> Habakkuk 3:13-19	Matthew 21:28-32	Psalm 126
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# Sun. Dec. 17 — Third Sunday of Advent

#### **Readings**

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11 Psalm 126 (3) or Luke 1:46b-55 (52) 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24 John 1:6-8, 19-28

#### Prayer of the Day

Stir up the wills of your faithful people, Lord God, and open our ears to the words of your prophets, that, anointed by your Spirit, we may testify to your light; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. I am sending my messen- | ger before you,\* who will prepare your | way before you. Alleluia. (Matt. 11:10)

## Color: Blue

Mon — Dec. 18	1 Kings 18:1-18	Ephesians 6:10-17	Psalm 125
Tue — Dec. 19	2 Kings 2:9-22	Acts 3:17—4:4	Psalm 125
Wed — Dec. 20	Malachi 3:16—4:6	Mark 9:9-13	Psalm 125
Thu — Dec. 21	2 Samuel 6:1-11	Hebrews 1:1-14	Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26
Fri — Dec. 22	2 Samuel 6:12-19	Hebrews 1:5-14	Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26
Sat — Dec. 23	Judges 13:2-24	John 7:40-52	Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26

# Sun. Dec. 24 — Fourth Sunday of Advent

# **Readings**

2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16 Luke 1:46b-55 (52) or Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26 (1) Romans 16:25-27 Luke 1:26-38

## Prayer of the Day

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that would obstruct your mercy, that willingly we may bear your redeeming love to all the world, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Here I am, the servant I of the Lord;\* let it be with me according I to your word. Alleluia. (Luke 1:38)

Color: Blue



# **YEAR B 2023/2024** — Christmas

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# Sun. Dec. 24 — Nativity of Our Lord I, Christmas Eve

# <u>Readings</u>

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

# <u>Prayer of the Day</u>

Almighty God, you made this holy night shine with the brightness of the true Light. Grant that here on earth we may walk in the light of Jesus' presence and in the last day wake to the rightness of his glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia. I am bringing you good news of great joy for | all the people:\* to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messi-| ah, the Lord. Alleluia. (Luke 2:10-11)

Color: White

# Mon. Dec. 25 — Nativity of Our Lord II, Christmas Day

# **Readings**

Isaiah 62:6-12 Psalm 97 (11) Titus 3:4-7 Luke 2:[1-7] 8-20

#### Prayer of the Day

All-powerful and unseen God, the coming of your light into our world has brightened weary hearts with peace. Call us out of darkness, and empower us to proclaim the birth of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia. A holy day has dawned upon us. Come, you nations, and a-1 dore the Lord.\*

For today a great light has come up-1 on the earth. Alleluia.

Color: White

# Mon. Dec. 25 — Nativity of Our Lord III, Christmas Day

Readings

Isaiah 52:7-10 Psalm 98 (3) Hebrews 1:1-4 [5-12] John 1:1-14

#### Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you gave us your only Son to take on our human nature and to illumine the world with your light. By your grace adopt us as your children and enlighten us with your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. I am bringing you good news of great joy for | all the people:\* to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messi- | ah, the Lord. Alleluia.

Color: White

Or

**Tue — Dec. 26** Jeremiah 26:1-9, 12-15 Acts 6:8-15; 7:51-60 Psalm 148

# Tue. Dec. 26 — Stephen, Deacon and Martyr

# Readinas

2 Chronicles 24:17-22 Psalm 17:1-9, 15 (6) Acts 6:8—7:2a, 51-60 Matthew 23:34-39

### Prayer of the Day

We give you thanks, O Lord of glory, for the example of Stephen the first martyr, who looked to heaven and prayed for his persecutors. Grant that we also may pray for our enemies and seek forgiveness for those who hurt us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righ- | teousness' sake,\* for theirs is the king- | dom of heaven. Alleluia. (Matt. 5:10)

Color: Scarlet/Red

 Wed — Dec. 27
 Exodus 33:18-23
 1 John 1:1-9
 Psalm 148

# Wed. Dec 27 — John, Apostle and Evangelist

#### <u>Readings</u>

Genesis 1:1-5, 26-31 Psalm 116:12-19 (15) 1 John 1:1—2:2 John 21:20-25

## <u>Prayer of the Day</u>

Merciful God, through John the apostle and evangelist you have revealed the mysteries of your Word made flesh. Let the brightness of your light shine on your church, so that all your people, instructed in the holy gospel, may walk in the light of your truth and attain eternal life, through Jesus Christ, our

Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. The Word became flesh and | lived among us,\* and we have be- | held his glory. Alleluia. (John 1:14)

Color: White

<b>Thu — Dec. 28</b>		Thu — Dec. 28	Jeremiah 31:15-17	1 MOULLEW / 1.3-10	Psalm 148
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Or

## Thu. Dec. 28 — The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

# Readings

Jeremiah 31:15-17 Psalm 124 (7) 1 Peter 4:12-19 Matthew 2:13-18

# Prayer of the Day

We remember today, O God, the slaughter of the innocent children of Bethlehem by order of King Herod. Receive into the arms of your mercy all innocent victims. By your great might frustrate the designs of evil tyrants and establish your rule of justice, love, and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righ- | teousness' sake,\* for theirs is the king- | dom of heaven. Alleluia. (Matt. 5:10)

#### Color: Scarlet/Red

Fri — Dec. 29	Isaiah 49:5-15	Matthew 12:36-50	Psalm 148
Sat — Dec. 30	Proverbs 9:1-12	2 Peter 3:8-13	Psalm 148

#### Sun. Dec. 31 — First Sunday of Christmas

#### Readings

Isaiah 61:10-62:3 Psalm 148 (13) Galatians 4:4-7 Luke 2:22-40

# Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you wonderfully created the dignity of human nature and yet more wonderfully restored it. In your mercy, let us share the divine life of the one who came to share our humanity, Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Let the peace of Christ rule | in your hearts,\* and let the word of Christ dwell | in you richly. Alleluia. (Col. 3:15, 16)

Color: White

Or

Thu. Dec. 31, 2024 — New Year's Eve

#### Readings

Ecclesiastes 3:1-13 Psalm 8 (1) Revelation 21:1-6a Matthew 25:31-46

#### Prayer of the Day

Eternal God, you have placed us in a world of space and time, and through the events of our lives you bless us with your love. Grant that in the new year we may know your presence, see your love at work, and live in the light of the event that gives us joy forever—the coming of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. O God, you have | been our refuge\* from one generation | to another. Alleluia. (Ps. 90:1)

# Color: White

# Mon. Jan. 1, 2021 — Name of Jesus

# <u>Readings</u>

Numbers 6:22-27 Psalm 8 (1) Galatians 4:4-7 or Philippians 2:5-11 Luke 2:15-21

#### Prayer of the Day

Eternal Father, you gave your incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be a sign of our salvation. Plant in every heart the love of the Savior of the world, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. At the name of Jesus every | knee should bend,\* in heaven and on earth and un- | der the earth. Alleluia. (Phil. 2:10)

# Color: White

Tue — Jan. 2	Proverbs 1:1-7	James 3:13-18	Psalm 148
Wed — Jan. 3	Proverbs 1:20-33	James 4:1-10	Psalm 110
Thu — Jan. 4	Proverbs 3:1-12	James 4:11-17	Psalm 110
Fri — Jan. 5	Proverbs 22:1-9	Luke 6:27-31	Psalm 110

# Sat. Jan. 6 — Epiphany of Our Lord

#### Readings

Isaiah 60:1-6 Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14 (11) Ephesians 3:1-12 Matthew 2:1-12

#### Prayer of the Day

O God, on this day you revealed your Son to the nations by the leading of a star. Lead us now by faith to know your presence in our lives, and bring us at last to the full vision of your glory, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Or

Almighty and ever-living God, you revealed the incarnation of your Son by the brilliant shining of a star. Shine the light of your justice always in our hearts and over all lands, and accept our lives as the treasure we offer in your praise and for your service, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Or

Everlasting God, the radiance of all faithful people, you brought the nations to the brightness of your rising. Fill the world with your glory, and show yourself to all the world through him who is the true light and the bright morning star, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia. We have observed his star | at its rising,\*
and have come to | worship him. Alleluia. (Matt. 2:2)

Color: White



# YEAR B 2023/2024 — Time After Epiphany

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# Sun. Jan. 7 — Baptism of Our Lord

# Readings

Genesis 1:1-5 Psalm 29 (3) Acts 19:1-7 Mark 1:4-11

#### Prayer of the Day

Holy God, creator of light and giver of goodness, your voice moves over the waters. Immerse us in your grace, and transform us by your Spirit, that we may follow after your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. A voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, 1 the Beloved,\* with whom 11 am well pleased." Alleluia. (Matt. 3:17)

#### Color: White

Mon — Jan. 8	Genesis 17:1-13	Romans 4:1-12	Psalm 69:1-5, 30-36
Tue — Jan. 9	Exodus 30:22-38	Acts 22:2-16	Psalm 69:1-5, 30-36
Wed — Jan. 10	Isaiah 41:4-12	John 1:29-34	Psalm 69:1-5, 30-36
Thu — Jan. 11	Judges 2:6-15	2 Corinthians 10:1011	Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18
Fri — Jan. 12	Judges 2:16-23	Acts 13:16-25	Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18
Sat — Jan. 13	1 Samuel 2:21-25	Matthew 25:1-13	Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18

# Sun. Jan. 14 — Second Sunday After Epiphany (Lectionary 2)

# **Readings**

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

# Prayer of the Day

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits you give. May we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# Gospel Acclamation Alleluia. We have found I the Messiah:\*

Jesus Christ, who brings us   grace and truth. Alleluia. (John 1:41, 17)				
Color: Green				
Mon — Jan. 15	1 Samuel 9:27—10:8	2 Corinthians 6:14—7:1	Psalm 86	
Tue — Jan. 16	1 Samuel 15:10-31	Acts 5:1-11	Psalm 86	
Wed — Jan. 17	Genesis 16:1-14	Luke 18:15-17	Psalm 86	
Thu — Jan. 18	Jeremiah 19:1-15	Revelation 18:11-20	Psalm 62:5-12	

Or

# Thu. Jan. 18 — Confession of Peter

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins

# <u>Readings</u>

Acts 4:8-13 Psalm 18:1-6, 16-19 (2) 1 Corinthians 10:1-5 Matthew 16:13-19

# Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you inspired Simon Peter to confess Jesus as the Messiah and Son of the living God. Keep your church firm on the rock of this faith, so that in unity and peace it may proclaim one truth and follow one Lord, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea | and Samaria,\* and to the ends | of the earth. Alleluia. (Acts 1:8)

# Color: White

Fri — Jan. 19	Jeremiah 20:7-13	2 Peter 3:1-7	Psalm 62:5-12
Sat — Jan. 20	Jeremiah 20:14-18	Luke 10:13-16	Psalm 62:5-12

# Sun. Jan. 21 — Third Sunday after Epiphany (Lectionary 3)

# <u>Readings</u>

Jonah 3:1-5, 10 Psalm 62:5-12 (6) 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 Mark 1:14-20

# <u>Prayer of the Day</u>

Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

# Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. The time is fulfilled and the kingdom of God | has come near;\* repent, and believe | in the good news. Alleluia. (Mark 1:15)

#### Color: Green

Mon — Jan. 22	Genesis 12:1-9	1 Corinthians 7:17-24	Psalm 46
Tue — Jan. 23	Genesis 45:25—46:7	Acts 5:33-42	Psalm 46
Wed — Jan. 24	Proverbs 8:1-21	Mark 3:13-19a	Psalm 46
Thu — Jan. 25	Deuteronomy 3:23-29	Romans 9:6-18	Psalm 111

Or

#### Thu. Jan. 25 — Conversion of Paul

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ends

**Readings** 

Acts 9:1-22

Psalm 67 (3)

Galatians 1:11-24

Luke 21:10-19

#### Prayer of the Day

O God, by the preaching of your apostle Paul you have caused the light of the gospel to shine throughout the world. Grant that we may follow his example and be witnesses to the truth of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia. This Jesus | God raised up,\* and of that all of | us are witnesses. Alleluia. (Acts 2:32)

# Color: White

Fri — Jan. 26	Deuteronomy 12:28-32	Revelation 2:12-17	Psalm 111
Sat — Jan. 27	Deuteronomy 13:1-5	Matthew 8:28—9:1	Psalm 111

# Sun. Jan. 28 — Fourth Sunday after Epiphany (Lectionary 4)

#### **Readings**

Deuteronomy 18:15-20 Psalm 111 (10) 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 Mark 1:21-28

# Prayer of the Day

Compassionate God, you gather the whole universe into your radiant presence and continually reveal your Son as our Savior. Bring wholeness to all that is broken and speak truth to us in our confusion, that all creation will see and know your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. The people who sat in darkness have seen | a great light;\* for those who sat in the shadow of death | light has dawned. Alleluia. (Matt. 4:16)

# Color: Green

Mon — Jan. 29	Numbers 22:1-21	Acts 21:17-26	Psalm 35:1-10
Tue — Jan. 30	Numbers 22:22-28	1 Corinthians 7:32-40	Psalm 35:1-10
Wed — Jan. 31	Jeremiah 29:1-14	Mark 5:1-20	Psalm 35:1-10
Thu — Feb. 1	Proverbs 12:10-21	Galatians 5:2-15	Psalm 147:1-11, 20c
Fri — Feb. 2	Job 36:1-23	1 Corinthians 9:1-16	Psalm 147:1-11, 20c

Or

#### Fri. Feb. 2 — Presentation of Our Lord

Readings Malachi 3:1-4

# Psalm 84 (1) or Psalm 24:7-10 (7) Hebrews 2:14-18 Luke 2:22-40

### Prayer of the Day

Almighty and ever-living God, your only-begotten Son was presented this day in the temple. May we be presented to you with clean and pure hearts by the same Jesus Christ, our great high priest, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. My eyes have seen | your salvation,\* which you have prepared in the presence | of all peoples. Alleluia. (Luke 2:30-31)

Color: White

**Sat — Feb. 3** Isaiah 46:1-13 Matthew 12:9-14 Psalm 147:1-11, 20c

# Sun. Feb. 4 — Fifth Sunday after Epiphany (Lectionary 5)

# Readings

Isaiah 40:21-31 Psalm 147:1-11, 20c (3) 1 Corinthians 9:16-23 Mark 1:29-39

#### Prayer of the Day

Everlasting God, you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

# Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. The servant of God took | our infirmities\* and bore | our diseases. Alleluia. (Matt. 8:17)

#### Color: Green

Mon — Feb. 5	2 Kings 4:8-17, 32-37	Acts 14:1-7	Psalm 102:12-28
Tue — Feb. 6	2 Kings 8:1-6	Acts 15:36-41	Psalm 102:12-28
Wed — Feb. 7	Job 6:1-13	Mark 3:7-12	Psalm 102:12-28
Thu — Feb. 8	1 Kings 11:26-40	2 Corinthians 2:12-17	Psalm 50:1-6
Fri — Feb. 9	1 Kings 14:1-18	1 Timothy 1:12-20	Psalm 50:1-6
Sat — Feb. 10	1 Kings 16:1-7	Luke 19:41-44	Psalm 50:1-6

# Sun. Feb. 11 — Transfiguration of Our Lord Last Sunday after Epiphany

#### Readings

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

#### Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, the resplendent light of your truth shines from the mountaintop into our hearts. Transfigure us by your beloved Son, and illumine the world with your image, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. This is my | Son, my Chosen,\* lis- | ten to him! Alleluia. (Luke 9:35)

#### Color: White

Mon — Feb. 12	Exodus 19:7-25	Hebrews 2:1-4	Psalm 110:1-4
Tue — Feb. 13	Job 19:23-27	1 Timothy 3:14-16	Psalm 110:1-4



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### Wed. Feb. 14 — Ash Wednesday

#### Readinas

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 or Isaiah 58:1-12 Psalm 51:1-17 (1) 2 Corinthians 5:20b—6:10 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

# Prayer of the Day

Almighty and ever-living God, you hate nothing you have made, and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and honest hearts, so that, truly repenting of our sins, we may receive from you, the God of all mercy, full pardon and forgiveness through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Or

Gracious God, out of your love and mercy you breathed into dust the breath of life, creating us to serve you and our neighbors. Call forth our prayers and acts of kindness, and strengthen us to face our mortality with confidence in the mercy of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Return to the | LORD, your God,\*

who is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in 1 steadfast love. (Joel 2:13)

Color: Purple

Thu — Feb. 15	Daniel 9:1-14	1 John 1:3-10	Psalm 25:1-10
Fri — Feb. 16	Daniel 9:15-25a	2 Timothy 4:1-5	Psalm 25:1-10
Sat — Feb. 17	Psalm 32	Matthew 9:2-13	Psalm 25:1-10

# Sun. Feb. 18 — First Sunday in Lent

#### <u>Readings</u>

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

#### Prayer of the Day

Holy God, heavenly Father, in the waters of the flood you saved the chosen, and in the wilderness of temptation you protected your Son from sin. Renew us in the gift of baptism. May your holy angels be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### Gospel Acclamation

One does not live by | bread alone,\* but by every word that comes from the | mouth of God. (Matt. 4:4)

#### Color: Purple

Mon — Feb. 19	Job 4:1-21	Ephesians 2:1-10	Psalm 77
Tue — Feb. 20	Job 5:8-27	1 Peter 3:8-18a	Psalm 77
Wed — Feb. 21	Proverbs 30:1-9	Matthew 4:1-11	Psalm 77
Thu — Feb. 22	Genesis 15:1-6, 12-18	Romans 3:21-31	Psalm 22:23-31
Fri — Feb. 23	Genesis 16:1-6	Romans 4:1-12	Psalm 22:23-31
Sat — Feb. 24	Genesis 16:7-15	Mark 8:27-30	Psalm 22:23-31

# Sun. Feb. 25 — Second Sunday in Lent

# Readings

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 Psalm 22:23-31 (27) Romans 4:13-25 Mark 8:31-38

# Prayer of the Day

O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life. Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

## Gospel Acclamation

May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord | Jesus Christ,\* by which the world is crucified to me, and I | to the world. (Gal. 6:14)

# Color: Purple

Mon — Feb. 26	Genesis 21:1-7	Hebrews 1:8-12	Psalm 105:1-11, 37-45
Tue — Feb. 27	Genesis 22:1-19	Hebrews 11:1-3, 13-19	Psalm 105:1-11, 37-45
Wed — Feb. 28	Jeremiah 30:12-22	John 12:36-43	Psalm 105:1-11, 37-45
Thu — Feb. 29	Exodus 19:1-9a	1 Peter 2:4-10	Psalm 19
Fri — Mar. 1	Exodus 19:9b-15	Acts 7:30-40	Psalm 19
Sat — Mar. 2	Exodus 19:16-25	Mark 9:2-8	Psalm 19

# Sun. Mar. 3 — Third Sunday in Lent

### <u>Readings</u>

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

#### Prayer of the Day

Holy God, through your Son you have called us to live faithfully and act courageously. Keep us steadfast in your covenant of grace, and teach us the wisdom that comes only through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Gospel Acclamation

We proclaim Christ | crucified,\* the power of God and the wis- | dom of God. (1 Cor. 1:23, 24)

Color: Purple

Mon — Mar. 4	1 Kings 6:1-4, 21-22	1 Corinthians 3:10-23	Psalm 84
Tue — Mar. 5	2 Chronicles 29:1-11,	Hebrews 9:23-28	Psalm 84
	16-19		
Wed- Mar. 6	Ezra 6:1-16	Mark 11:15-19	Psalm 84
Thu — Mar. 7	Genesis 9:8-17	Ephesians 1:3-6	Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22
Fri — Mar. 8	Daniel 12:5-13	Ephesians 1:7-14	Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22
Sat — Mar. 9	Numbers 20:22-29	John 3:1-13	Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

# Sun. Mar. 10 — Fourth Sunday in Lent

#### Readings

Numbers 21:4-9 Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 (19) Ephesians 2:1-10 John 3:14-21

# Prayer of the Day

O God, rich in mercy, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world and rescued us from the hopelessness of death. Lead us into your light, that all our deeds may reflect your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# **Gospel Acclamation**

God so loved the world that he gave his | only Son,\* so that everyone who believes in him should not perish, but have e- | ternal life. (John 3:16)

Color: Purple

Mon — Mar. 11	Exodus 15:22-27	Hebrews 3:1-6	Psalm 107:1-16	
Tue — Mar. 12	Numbers 20:1-13	1 Corinthians 10:6-13	Psalm 107:1-16	
Wed — Mar. 13	Isaiah 60:15-22	John 8:12-20	Psalm 107:1-16	
Thu — Mar. 14	Isaiah 30:15-18	Hebrews 4:1-13	Psalm 51:1-12	
Fri — Mar. 15	Exodus 30:1-10	Hebrews 4:14—5:4	Psalm 51:1-12	
Sat — Mar. 16	Habakkuk 3:2-13	John 12:1-11	Psalm 51:1-12	

# Sun. Mar. 17 — Fifth Sunday in Lent

#### <u>Readings</u>

Jeremiah 31:31-34 Psalm 51:1-12 (10) or Psalm 119:9-16 (11) Hebrews 5:5-10 John 12:20-33

#### Prayer of the Day

O God, with steadfast love you draw us to yourself, and in mercy you receive our prayers. Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, that through life and death we may live in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### Gospel Acclamation

Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains a 1 single grain;\* but if it dies, it 1 bears much fruit. (John 12:24)

Color: Purple

Mon — Mar. 18	Isaiah 43:8-13	2 Corinthians 3:4-11	Psalm 119:9-16
Tue — Mar. 19	Isaiah 44:1-8	Acts 2:14-24	Psalm 119:9-16

Or

# Tue. Mar. 19 — Joseph, Guardian of Jesus

# <u>Readings</u>

2 Samuel 7:4, 8-16 Psalm 89:1-29 (2) Romans 4:13-18 Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a

#### Prayer of the Day

O God, from the family of your servant David you raised up Joseph to be the guardian of your incarnate Son and the husband of his blessed mother. Give us grace to imitate his uprightness of life and his obedience to your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever

# Gospel Acclamation

We have a building from God, a house not I made with hands,\* eternal I in the heavens. (2 Cor. 5:1)

Color: White

Wed — Mar. 20	Haggai 2:1-9, 20-23	John 12:34-50	Psalm 119:9-16
Thu — Mar. 21	Deuteronomy 16:1-8	Philippians 2:1-11	Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29
Fri — Mar. 22	Jeremiah 33:1-9	Philippians 2:12-18	Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29
Sat — Mar. 23	Jeremiah 33:10-16	Mark 10:32-34, 46-52	Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

# Sun. Mar. 24 — Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday

#### <u>Readings</u>

Procession with Palms: Mark 11:1-11 or John 12:12-16 Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 31:9-16 (5) Philippians 2:5-11

# Mark 14:1 — 15:47 or Mark 15:1-39[40-47]

# Prayer of the Day

Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Or

Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Or

O God of mercy and might, in the mystery of the passion of your Son you offer your infinite life to the world. Gather us around the cross of Christ, and preserve us until the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### Gospel Acclamation

Christ humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death | on a cross.\*

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is

above | ev'ry name. (Phil. 2:8-9)

Color: Purple/Scarlet

# Mon. Mar.25 — Monday in Holy Week

Readings Isaiah 42:1-9 Psalm 36:5-11 (7) Hebrews 9:11-15

John 12:1-11

#### Prayer of the Day

O God, your Son chose the path that led to pain before joy and to the cross before glory. Plant his cross in our hearts, so that in its power and love we may come at last to joy and glory, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# Gospel Acclamation

May I never boast of I anything\* except the cross of our Lord I Jesus Christ. (Gal. 6:14)

Color: Purple/Scarlet

# Tue. Mar. 26 — Tuesday in Holy Week

Readings Isaiah 49:1-7

Psalm 71:1-14 (6)

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

John 12:20-36

# Prayer of the Day

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you. Grant that our love may not grow cold in your service, and that we may not fail or deny you in the time of trial, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# Gospel Acclamation

May I never boast of | anything\* except the cross of our Lord | Jesus Christ. (Gal. 6:14)

Color: Purple/Scarlet

# Wed. Mar. 27 — Wednesday in Holy Week

Readings Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 70 (1) Hebrews 12:1-3 John 13:21-32

# Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, your Son our Savior suffered at human hands and endured the shame of the cross. Grant that we may walk in the way of his cross and find it the way of life and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

May I never boast of I anything\*

except the cross of our Lord I Jesus Christ. (Gal. 6:14)

Color: Purple/Scarlet



# YEAR B 2023/2024 — The Three Days

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# Thu. Mar. 28 — Maundy Thursday

#### Readings

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

# Prayer of the Day

Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave us a new commandment, to love one another as he loves us. Write this commandment in our hearts, and give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Or

Eternal God, in the sharing of a meal your Son established a new covenant for all people, and in the washing of feet he showed us the dignity of service. Grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these signs of our life in faith may speak again to our hearts, feed our spirits, and refresh our bodies, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# Gospel Acclamation

I give you a I new commandment,\* that you love one another just as I I have loved you. (John 13:34)

Color: Scarlet/White

# Fri. Mar. 29 — Good Friday

#### Readings

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

#### Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, look with loving mercy on your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, to be given over to the hands of sinners, and to suffer death on the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Or

Merciful God, your Son was lifted up on the cross to draw all people to himself. Grant that we who have been born out of his wounded side may at all times find mercy in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# Gospel Acclamation

Look to Jesus, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregard- | ing its shame,\* and has taken his seat at the right hand of the | throne of God. (Heb. 12:2)

Color: None

# Sat. Mar. 30 — Resurrection of Our Lord, Vigil of Easter

# <u>Readings</u>

Creation

First Reading: Genesis 1:1—2:4a Response: Psalm 136:1-9, 23-26 (1)

Flood

Second Reading: Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18, 8:6-18, 9:8-13 Response: Psalm 46 (7)

> Testing of Abraham Third Reading: Genesis 22:1-18 Response: Psalm 16 (11)

Deliverance at the Red Sea Fourth Reading: Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21 Response: Exodus 15:1b-13, 17-18 (1)

> Salvation Freely Offered to All Fifth Reading: Isaiah 55:1-11 Response: Isaiah 12:2-6 (3)

The Wisdom of God Sixth Reading: Proverbs 8:1-8, 19-21; 9:4b-6 or Baruch 3:9-15, 32—4:4 Response: Psalm 19 (8)

> A New Heart and a New Spirit Seventh Reading: Ezekiel 36:24-28 Response: Psalms 42 and 43 (42:2)

Valley of the Dry Bones Eighth Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14 Response: Psalm 143 (11)

Gathering of God's People Ninth Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-20 Response: Psalm 98 (4)

Call of Jonah Tenth Reading: Jonah 1:1—2:1 Response: Jonah 2:2-3 [4-6] 7-9 (9)

Clothed in the Garments of Salvation Eleventh Reading: Isaiah 61:1-4, 9-11 Response: Deuteronomy 32:1-4, 7, 36a, 43a (3-4)

Deliverance from the Fiery Furnace Twelfth Reading: Daniel 3:1-29 Response: Song of the Three Young Men 35-65 (35)

New Testament Reading
Romans 6:3-11

<u>Gospel</u> John 20:1-18

# Prayer of the Day

Eternal giver of life and light, this holy night shines with the radiance of the risen Christ. Renew your church with the Spirit given us in baptism, that we may worship you in sincerity and truth and may shine as a light in the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Or

O God, you are the creator of the world, the liberator of your people, and the wisdom of the earth. By the resurrection of your Son free us from our fears, restore us in your image, and ignite us with your light, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Let us sing to the LORD, who has I triumphed gloriously;\* our strength and our might, who has become I our salvation. Alleluia. (Exod. 15:1-2)

Color: White/Gold



# YEAR B 2023/2024 — Easter

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DAY AND DATE FIRST READING SECOND READING PSALM

# Sun. Mar. 31 — Resurrection of Our Lord, Easter Day

# **Readings**

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

#### Prayer of the Day

O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Or

God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Christ, our paschal lamb, I has been sacrificed.\* Therefore, let us I keep the feast. Alleluia. (1 Cor. 5:7, 8)

Color: White/Gold

# Sun. Mar.31 — Resurrection of Our Lord, Easter Evening

Readings Isaiah 25:6-9 Psalm 114 (7) 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8 Luke 24:13-49

# Prayer of the Day

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread, open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Gospel Acclamation

# Alleluia. Our hearts | burn within us\* while you open to | us the scriptures. Alleluia. (Luke 24:27)

#### Color: White/Gold

**Mon — Apr. 1** Genesis 1:1-19 1 Corinthians 15:35-49 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Or

#### Mon. Apr. 1 — Resurrection of Our Lord, Easter Monday

These propers may be used for a service on Easter Mon. or on another day during the week after Easter Day.

### Readings

Daniel 12:1-3

Psalm 16:8-11 (9)

Acts 2:14, 22b-32

Matthew 28:9-15a

#### Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you give us the joy of celebrating our Lord's resurrection. Give us also the joys of life in your service, and bring us at last to the full joy of life eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. God raised up Jesus, having freed | him from death,\* because it was impossible for him to be held | in its power. Alleluia. (Acts 2:24)

# Color: White/Gold

Or

# Thu. Apr. 1 — Annunciation of Our Lord

Transferred from Mar. 25

#### Readings

Isaiah 7:10-14

Psalm 45 (17) or Psalm 40:5-10 (8)

Hebrews 10:4-10

Luke 1:26-38

#### Prayer of the Day

Pour your grace into our hearts, O God, that we who have known the incarnation of your Son, Jesus Christ, announced by an angel, may by his cross and passion be brought to the glory of his resurrection; for he lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# **Gospel Acclamation**

Greetings, O favored one! The | Lord is with you.\* The Holy Spirit will | come upon you. (Luke 1:28, 35)

# Color: White

Tue — Apr. 2	Genesis 1:20—2:4a	1 Corinthians 15:50-58	Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24	
Wed — Apr. 3	Song of Solomon 3:1-1	Mark 16:1-8	Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24	
Thu — Apr. 4	Daniel 1:1-21	Acts 2:42-47	Psalm 133	
Fri — Apr. 5	Daniel 2:1-23	Acts 4:23-31	Psalm 133	
Sat — Apr. 6	Daniel 2:24-49	John 12:44-50	Psalm 133	

# Sun. Apr. 7 — Second Sunday of Easter

Readings Acts 4:32-35 Psalm 133 (1) 1 John 1:1—2:2 John 20:19-31

#### Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, with joy we celebrate the day of our Lord's resurrection. By the grace of Christ among us, enable us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia. Blessed are those who I have not seen\* and yet have come I to believe. Alleluia. (John 20:29)

Color: White

Mon — Apr. 8	Daniel 3:1-30	1 John 2:3-11	Psalm 135
Tue — Apr. 9	Daniel 6:1-28	1 John 2:12-17	Psalm 135
Wed — Apr. 10	Isaiah 26:1-15	Mark 12:18-27	Psalm 135
Thu — Apr. 11	Daniel 9:1-19	1 John 2:18-25	Psalm 4
Fri — Apr. 12	Daniel 10:2-19	1 John 2:26-28	Psalm 4
Sat — Apr. 13	Acts 3:1-10	Luke 22:24-30	Psalm 4

# Sun. Apr. 14 — Third Sunday of Easter

# <u>Readings</u>

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

# Prayer of the Day

Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Our hearts | burn within us\* while you open to | us the scriptures. Alleluia. (Luke 24:32)

Color: White

Mon — Apr. 15	Jeremiah 30:1-11a	1 John 3:10-16	Psalm 150	
Tue — Apr. 16	Hosea 5:15—6:6	2 John 1-6	Psalm 150	
Wed — Apr. 17	Proverbs 9:1-6	Mark 16:9-18	Psalm 150	
Thu — Apr. 18	Genesis 30:25-43	Acts 3:17-26	Psalm 23	
Fri — Apr. 19	Genesis 46:28—47:6	Acts 4:1-4	Psalm 23	
Sat — Apr. 20	Genesis 48:8-19	Mark 6:30-34	Psalm 23	

# Sun. Apr. 21 — Fourth Sunday of Easter

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

# Prayer of the Day

O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Jesus says, I am I the good shepherd.\*
I know my own and my I own know me. Alleluia. (John 10:14)

# Color: White

Mon — Apr. 22	1 Samuel 16:1-13	1 Peter 5:1-5	Psalm 95
Tue — Apr. 23	1 Chronicles 11:1-9	Revelation 7:13-17	Psalm 95
Wed — Apr. 24	Micah 7:8-20	Mark 14:26-31	Psalm 95
Thu — Apr. 25	Amos 8:1-7	Acts 8:1b-8	Psalm 22:25-31

Or

# Thu. Apr. 25 — Mark, Evangelist

# Readings Isaiah 52:7-10 Psalm 57 (9)

2 Timothy 4:6-11, 18 Mark 1:1-15

# <u>Prayer of the Day</u>

Almighty God, you have enriched your church with Mark's proclamation of the gospel. Give us grace to believe firmly in the good news of salvation and to walk daily in accord with it, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. This Jesus | God raised up,\* and of that all of | us are witnesses. Alleluia. (Acts 2:32)

#### Color: Scarlet/Red

Fri — Apr. 26	Amos 8:11-13	Acts 8:9-25	Psalm 22:25-31
Sat — Apr. 27	Amos 9:7-15	Mark 4:30-32	Psalm 22:25-31

# Sun. Apr. 28 — Fifth Sunday of Easter

Readings Acts 8:26-40 Psalm 22:25-31 (27) 1 John 4:7-21 John 15:1-8

#### Prayer of the Day

O God, you give us your Son as the vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in his resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. I am the vine, you | are the branches.\*

Those who abide in me and I in them | bear much fruit. Alleluia. (John 15:5)

#### Color: White

Mon — Apr. 29	Isaiah 5:1-7	Galatians 5:16-26	Psalm 80
Tue — Apr. 30	Isaiah 32:9-20	James 3:17-18	Psalm 80
Wed — May 1	Isaiah 65:17-25	John 14:18-31	Psalm 80

Or

# Sat. May 1 — Philip and James, Apostles

# Readings

Isaiah 30:18-21 Psalm 44:1-3, 20-26 (26) 2 Corinthians 4:1-6 John 14:8-14

#### Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you gave to your apostles Philip and James grace and strength to bear witness to your Son. Grant that we, remembering their victory of faith, may glorify in life and death the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns and you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea | and Samaria,\* and to the ends | of the earth. Alleluia. (Acts 1:8)

#### Color: Scarlet/Red

Thu — May 2	Isaiah 49:5-6	Acts 10:1-34	Psalm 98
Fri — May 3	Isaiah 42:5-9	Acts 10:34-43	Psalm 98
Sat — May 4	Deuteronomy 32:44-47	Mark 10:42-45	Psalm 98

# Sun. May 5 — Sixth Sunday of Easter

# <u>Readings</u>

Acts 10:44-48 Psalm 98 (4) 1 John 5:1-6 John 15:9-17

#### Prayer of the Day

O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Those who love me will keep my word, and my Fa- | ther will love them,\* and we will come to them and make our | home with them. Alleluia. (John 14:23)

#### Color: White

Mon — May 6	Deuteronomy 7:1-11	1 Timothy 6:11-12	Psalm 93
Tue — May 7	Deuteronomy 11:1-17	1 Timothy 6:13-16	Psalm 93

**Wed — May 8** Deuteronomy 11:18-21 Mark 16:19-20 Psalm 93

# Thu. May 9 — Ascension of Our Lord

Readings Acts 1:1-11 Psalm 47 (5) or Psalm 93 (2) Ephesians 1:15-23

# Prayer of the Day

Luke 24:44-53

Almighty God, your only Son was taken into the heavens and in your presence intercedes for us. Receive us and our prayers for all the world, and in the end bring everything into your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Or

Almighty God, your blessed Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things. Mercifully give us faith to trust that, as he promised, he abides with us on earth to the end of time, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Go and make disciples of all nations, I says the Lord;\* I am with you always, to the end I of the age. Alleluia. (Matt. 28:19, 20)

Color: White

Fri — May 10	Exodus 24:15-18	Revelation 1:9-18	Psalm 47
Sat — May 11	Deuteronomy 34:1-7	John 16:4-11	Psalm 47

# Sun. May 12 — Seventh Sunday of Easter

# **Readings**

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

#### <u>Prayer of the Day</u>

Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. I will not leave you orphaned, I says the Lord.\*
I am com-I ing to you. Alleluia. (John 14:18)

Color: White

Mon — May 13	Exodus 28:29-38	Philippians 1:3-11	Psalm 115
Tue — May 14	Numbers 8:5-22	Titus 1:1-9	Psalm 115

Or

#### Fri. May 14 — Matthias, Apostle

#### Readings

Isaiah 66:1-2 Psalm 56 (12) Acts 1:15-26 Luke 6:12-16

#### Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you chose your faithful servant Matthias to be numbered among the twelve. Grant that your church may always be taught and guided by faithful and true pastors, through Jesus Christ our shepherd, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever

#### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea | and Samaria,\* and to the ends | of the earth. Alleluia. (John 12:26)

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Wed —May 15	Ezra 9:5-15	John 16:16-24	Psalm 115	
Thu — May 16	Genesis 2:4b-7	1 Corinthians 15:42b-49	Psalm 33:12-22	
Fri — May 17	Job 37:1-13	1 Corinthians 15:50-57	Psalm 33:12-22	
Sat — May 18	Exodus 15:6-11	John 7:37-39	Psalm 33:12-22	

Or

# Sat. May 18 — Vigil of Pentecost

# Readings

Exodus 19:1-9 or Acts 2:1-11 Psalm 33:12-22 (20) or Psalm 130 (4) Romans 8:14-17, 22-27 John 7:37-39

#### Prayer of the Day

Almighty and ever-living God, you fulfilled the promise of Easter by sending the gift of your Holy Spirit. Look upon your people gathered in prayer, open to receive the Spirit's flame. May it come to rest in our hearts and heal the divisions of word and tongue, that with one voice and one song we may praise your name in joy and thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts | of your faithful,\* and kindle in us the fire | of your love. Alleluia.

Color: Red

# Sun. May 19 — Day of Pentecost

# **Readings**

Acts 2:1-21 or Ezekiel 37:1-14 Psalm 104:24-34, 35b (30) Romans 8:22-27 or Acts 2:1-21 John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

## Prayer of the Day

Mighty God, you breathe life into our bones, and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Send us this Spirit, transform us by your truth, and give us language to proclaim your gospel, through Jesus Christ, our Savior

and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts I of your faithful,\* And kindle in us the fire I of your love. Alleluia.

# Color: Red

Mon — May 20	Joel 2:18-29	1 Corinthians 12:4-11	Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
Tue — May 21	Genesis 11:1-9	1 Corinthians 12:12-27	Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
Wed — May 22	Ezekiel 37:1-14	John 20:19-23	Psalm 104:24-34, 35b