

The Story Lectionary
A Two-Year Lectionary
YEAR ONE
2017-18

[April 16, 2017 EASTER (end of 2016-17 Lectionary Year Two)]

April 23, 2017

Genesis: The Story of Noah and the Mourning of Methuselah (5-7)

Genesis: The Sealing of the Garden (3)

The Psalm of Jonah

Psalm 98: Sing to the Lord a New Song

Psalm 30: You Have Lifted Me From the Depths and Healed Me

Prayers: The Kaddish and the Tziduk Hadin

A Garden Locked and Opened (Song of Solomon 4:11-15)

The Song of Moses (Exodus 15)

The Song of Judah (Isaiah 26)

Jesus' First Appearances to His Disciples in a Locked Room (John 20:9-23)

April 30, 2017

Moses Commissions Joshua to Succeed Him (Numbers 27:12-23)

The Story of Samson (Judges 16)

The Passing of the Mantle from Elijah to Elisha (1 Kings 19 and 2 Kings 2) The Book of Jonah (Including the Song of Jonah)

Psalm 51: Create in Me a Pure Heart and Renew Me With Your Spirit Psalm 139:

Where Can I Go From Your Spirit?

Jesus' Seaside Appearance and the Reinstatement of Peter (John 21) The Story of Peter's Conversion of the Gentiles (Acts 10)

May 7, 2017

God's Promise (Exodus 23)

Psalm 34: Taste and See

Jesus' Suffering Foretold (Isaiah 52 and 53)

The Great Mourning (Zechariah 12)

The Promise of the Messiah (Jeremiah 33)

I Will Raise You in Three Days (Hosea 6)

The Book of Jonah

The Shepherd (Ezekiel 34)

Paul's Thorn and Strength (2 Corinthians 12)

Jesus' Appearance in Emmaus (Luke 24)

May 14, 2017

The Song of Moses (Exodus 15)

The Ghost of Samuel (1 Samuel 28)

Psalm 77: You Are the God Who Performs Miracles

Psalm 91: The Lord Will Guard You

Psalm 111: Fear [Respect] of the Lord is the Beginning of Wisdom Elihu's Sermon to Job (33)

The Raising of Lazarus (John 11)

Hebrews (4)

The Story Circulated by the Guards After the Resurrection (Matthew 28:11-15)

The Lament Over Babylon (Revelation 18)

May 21, 2017

Sarah Laughed but Became the Mother of Her People (Genesis 17 and 18)

Psalm 23: God Will be with You Even Through the Valleys

Psalm 121: God Will be with You and Keep You Always

Psalm 125: The Lord Abides with you Forever like the Mountains

Daniel's Night Vision (7:14)

God's Authority and God's Mountain (Ezekiel 28:11-15)

The Promise of God's Holy Mountain (Isaiah 65)

Jesus Feeds a Multitude and Peter Walks on Water but Wavers (Matthew 14)

Matthew's Witness about the Commissioning of Jesus' Disciples (Matthew 28)

May 28, 2017

God's Promise to Abraham (Genesis 12 and 17)

The Story of Elijah and the Cloak of Power (2 Kings)

Psalm 5: The Cloak of Protection Spread Over the Righteous

Psalm 91: the Lord Covers You with Protection

Psalm 109: May the Accusers Wear a Cloak of Shame and Disgrace

Psalm 104: The Lord is Clothed with Splendor

Psalm 30: You Have Removed my Sackcloth and Have Clothed Me With Joy

Luke's Story of Jesus' Ascension: Stay Here in the City Until You Have Been Clothed With Power from On High (24)

Acts of the Apostles: The Story of the Promise of the Holy Spirit and the Ascension of Jesus (Acts 1)

June 4, 2017 The Day of Pentecost

God's Voice Creates and God's Breath Hovers and Moves Over the Deep; God Breathes Life into Adama; Go Forth and Multiply (Genesis 1)

When the Shofar Sounds, God Speaks Through Cloud and Fire on Mt. Sinai, and the Tablets of the Covenant are Written in Stone (Exodus 19)

Psalm 81: Sound the Ram's Horn; I am the Lord Your God

Psalm 98: Sound the Ram's Horn; the Lord is Revealed

Dry Bones Comes to Life Through God's Breath (Ezekiel 37)

Jesus Tells that the Holy Spirit Will Come (John 14)

Jesus Breathes Upon His Disciples, Sending Them Out (John 20)

The Day of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit Comes Upon Jesus' Disciples Through Mighty Wind-Sound and Tongues like Fire, and the Covenant is Tatoood Upon the Hearts and Spirit of All (Acts 2)

June 11, 2017 Jesus' Baptism

The Story of Creation (Genesis 1)

The Story of Noah (Genesis 5-7)

The Song of Moses (Deuteronomy 32)

Psalm 1: The Two Ways

Psalm 2: The Father and the Son

Psalm 98: The Lord's Salvation

Psalm 145: God the King

Psalm 148: Praise the Lord of the Heavens and Earth

The Joy of the Redeemed / The Lord Will Save Through His Servant Son (Isaiah 35; 40; 42; 43; 44)

God Will Redeem the Righteous (Isaiah 57)

The Righteous Branch Will Come, the Lord's Salvation (Jeremiah 23;31)

The Lord is Israel's Shepherd (Ezekiel 34)

The Messenger of the Covenant is Coming (Malachi 3)

Jesus' Baptism and the Sign of the Messiah (Matthew 3; Mark 1:1-11; John 1:1-34)

The Story of God's Vision to Cornelius, Peter's Vision of the Net, and the Holy Spirit's Blessing of the Gentiles (Acts 10)

June 18, 2017

The Story of Tamar (Genesis 38)

The Story of Rahab (Joshua 1-6)

The Story of Ruth

All Shall Keep the Passover, one Passover for Resident and Native (Numbers 9)

The Story of Bathsheba (the wife of Uriah) and King David (2 Samuel 11-12)

Psalm 47: God Reigns Over the Nations

Psalm 51: My Sacrifice, O Lord, is a Broken Spirit

Psalm 67: May the Peoples Praise You

Psalm 100: We Are the Sheep of His Pasture

Psalm 117: Praise the Lord of Nations

A Covenant for All People (Isaiah 54-56)

The Gathering of All People in Unity (Zephaniah 3:8-13)

A Genealogy and Signs of the Messiah (Matthew 1:1-17; Luke 3)

The Conversion of Saul (Acts 9)

A Genealogy of Faith (Hebrews 11)

June 25, 2017

Jacob (Israel) Wrestles with God (Genesis 32:22-32)

(Deuteronomy 4-6)

Psalms 91: Because He Loves Me, I Will Rescue Him

Psalms 3: From the Lord Comes Deliverance

The Righteousness of the Righteous Delivers Them (Proverbs 11)

The Book of Job

Hannah's Prayer (1 Samuel 2)

Jesus' Temptations in the Wilderness (Matthew 4:1-11; Mark 1:12-13; Luke 4:1-13)

Paul's Letter to the Roman Church: Handling Inner Conflict (7-8)

July 2, 2017

The Story of Jacob's Ladder (Genesis 28:10-17)

Psalms 66: Let the Sound of His Praise Be Heard

Psalms 34: Let Us Exalt His Name Together

The People Walking in Darkness Have Seen a Great Light (Isaiah 9)

Jesus Begins his Ministry in Galilee of the Gentiles (Capernaum) after John the Baptist is arrested, and he Calls His First Disciples: Simon (called Peter) and Andrew, James and John (Matthew 4:12-25 and Mark 1:14-25 or 45)

Jesus Begins His Ministry in Galilee (Luke 4:14-30)

Jesus Calls His First Disciples from Those of John the Baptizer: Andrew and Simon Peter; Jesus returns to Galilee (Bethsaida) and calls Philip and Nathanael (John 1:35-51)

The Apostles Teach about Jesus, and many Come to Christ; they are Spared Death by the Appeal of Gamaliel (of the School of Hillel) (Acts of the Apostles 5:12-42)

July 9, 2017

The Creation Story –The Third Day (Genesis 1)

Moses First Miracle Turns Water to Blood (Exodus 7:14-21)

Honor the Lord With First Fruits (Proverbs 3:9-10)

Psalms 104: The Lord Gives Water

The Lord Has Made Proclamation (Isaiah 62)

The Lord Will Prepare a Feast (Isaiah 25:6-9)

Again You Will Plant Vineyards (Jeremiah 31:1-14)

The Mountain Will Drip With New Wine / The Time Has Come (Joel 2:15-24; 3:17-18)

The Lord Will Restore His Vineyards (Amos 9:11-15)

John's Witness about Jesus' Miracle During the Wedding at Cana in Galilee (John 2:1-12)

Paul's Letter to the Corinthian Church Regarding Baptism in One Spirit (1 Corinthians 10 and 12)

July 16, 2017

I Am the Lord Who Heals You (Exodus 15:26)

I Will Take All Sickness Away From You (Deuteronomy 7:15)

The Suffering Servant (Isaiah 53)

Hezekiah's Illness (Isaiah 38)

The Promise of Healing (Isaiah 40)

Jesus' Mission of Healing and Restoration, he Would Declare in Nazareth (Isaiah 61)

Healing (Proverbs 3:7-8)

Psalms 103: Healing and Restoration

Psalms 118: Restoration

Jesus Begins His Ministry in Capernaum, and Then Teaches and Heals Throughout Galilee (Matthew 4:23-7:28; through 8:23) This Week's Passage Emphasizes Jesus' Healing of Peter's Mother in Law (Matthew 8:14-17)

Jesus Begins His Ministry in Capernaum Teaching in Synagogues and Rebuking Unclean Spirit. He Heals Peter's Mother in Law and then Continues His Ministry Throughout Galilee (Mark 1:29-39)

Jesus Begins His Ministry in Capernaum, heals Peter's Mother in Law, and then Continues His Ministry Throughout the Synagogues in Judea (Luke 4:31-44)

Jesus Begins His Ministry in Capernaum (John 2:12)

Peter Heals and Proclaims Restoration (Acts 3)

July 23, 2017

God's Promise to Flourish the House of David (2 Samuel 7 / 1 Chronicles 17)

Psalms 84: Psalm of Praise for the Courts of the Lord

Psalms 18: The Lord is My Rock

The Mountain of the Lord is the House of the God of Jacob (Isaiah 2)

Jesus Teaches His Disciples and Many Others On a Mountain in Galilee: a "weeding out" Story (Matthew 4:23 through 7:29)

Jesus Chooses His 12 Apostles and then Teaches Them Among Others in Galilee (Luke 6:12 through 6:49)

You Are Members of the Household of God (Ephesians 2)

July 30, 2017

The Water that Springs Forth from God (Genesis 2:4-25)

Isaac Reopens the Wells His Father Had Dug (Genesis 26)

Jacob Builds an Altar that Becomes Jacob's Well (Genesis 35:7)

The Lord Provides Water from a Rock (Exodus 17)

Psalm 63: The Soul Thirsts for God

Psalm 42: The Lord is the Source of the Waters for Which the Soul Thirsts

Psalm 36: God is the Fountain of Life

Psalm 1: The Faithful are Planted like Trees in Water

Psalm 107: The Lord Satisfies the Thirsty

Psalm 23: He Leads Me Besides Still Waters...and Restores My Soul

Ezekiel's Vision of the Flowing Waters of God (47)

Jesus at Jacob's Well (John Chapter 4)

August 6, 2017

The Lord's Blessings for the Faithful (Deuteronomy 28)

The Healing of Naaman the Syrian by Elisha Due to the Witness of a Young Jewish Girl (2 Kings 5)

Psalm 41: God the Healer

All People Will be Drawn to the Jews (Zechariah 20-23)

Jesus' Healing of a Centurion's Servant (Matthew 8:5-13 and Luke 7:1-10)

Christ the Hope of the Gentiles (Romans 15:1-13)

The Story of Cornelius and the Gentiles Baptized by Peter (Acts 10)

August 13, 2017

Jacob's Hip is Injured Wrestling With God (Genesis 32:22-32)

Psalms 80: The Son of Man is Coming

Psalms 95: Praise and Warning

Psalms 146: The Mission of the Messiah

Daniel's Vision of the Sovereignty of the Son of Man (7)

Ezekiel's Vision of God's Coming Judgment and Sovereignty (1-3)

Jesus' Healing of a Paralytic (Matthew 9:1-8; Mark 2:1-12; Luke 5:17-26)

Jesus' Healing of a Paralytic at the Pool of Bethesda (John 5)

The Healing of a Lame Man by Paul and Barnabas in the Name of Jesus (Acts 14)

August 20, 2017

The First Covenant Given to Moses (Exodus 34)

The Story of the Bronze Serpent (Numbers 21)

Psalms 41: God's Grace Toward Those Who Sin

Psalms 103: The Lord's Compassion

Psalms 116: The Lord is Gracious

Psalms 147: The Lord Gathers the Outcasts of Israel

The Scripture Jesus References as a Warning to the Pharisees and Scribes About the Priestly Function and Sacrificial Tradition in Jerusalem (Hosea 6)

God's Grace is for All Those Who are Faithful (Isaiah 56)

Jesus Calls Matthew (Matthew 9:9-13; Mark 2:13-17; Luke 5:27-32)

The Letter to the Hebrews (Most Likely Written by Paul) On the New Covenant (8)
The First Letter of John (Most Likely Written by John the Apostle) on Knowing and Loving God and Others

August 27, 2017

God's Creative Power and Rest / All Things in Relationship (Genesis 1:1-2:3)

Keeping the Sabbath (Exodus 16:22-20; 20:8-11; 31:13-14)

Keeping the Sabbath Becomes an Observance (Deuteronomy 5:12-15)

Psalms 92: The Song of the Sabbath

Psalms 23: God's Rest

Psalms 104: God's Creation

Blessings to Those Who Keep the Sabbath and Delight in it (Isaiah 56:1-8; 58:13-14)

Warning and Promise Concerning Keeping God's Sabbath (Jeremiah 17:21-27)

Warning and Promise in Keeping God's Sabbath (Ezekiel 20 and 36)

Job's Confession of Faith in the Creative Power of God (38-41)

Jesus Breaks the Sabbath and Answers Question from the Pharisees and John the Baptist's Disciples (Matthew 9:14-17 and 11:2-12:21)

Jesus Breaks the Sabbath, Calls Himself God, and Answers Question from the Pharisees (Mark 2:18-3:12)

Jesus Breaks the Sabbath, Calls Himself God, and Answers Questions from the Pharisees (Luke 5:33-6:11 and 7:17-35)

Jesus Breaks the Sabbath, Calls Himself God, and Answers to Accusations from the Pharisees (John 5)

Do You Live by Rules of Faith in Jesus [Who Gives You Rest] (Paul's Letter to the Galatians)

September 3, 2017

The Story of Noah and the Fragrance of His Faith and God's Promise to Restore the Earth (Genesis 8)

Spices Used in Anointing Oils and Incense / God's Holy Fragrance (Exodus 30)

The Anointing of Aaron by Moses (Leviticus 8)

The Song of Songs by Solomon

Psalms 2: The Lord's Anointed One

Psalms 23: We are All Anointed in the Joy and Salvation of the Lord

Psalms 45: The King's Wedding

Psalms 105: The Promise of the Lord

Psalms 133: The Lord's Blessing is As of Aaron

The Bridegroom Will Come (Isaiah 61)

King David is Anointed (1 Samuel 16)

King Saul is Anointed King (1 Samuel 10)

King Solomon Anointed King (1 Kings 1:38-50)

The Son of God Anointed (Hebrews 1)

Luke's Witness to a Sinful Woman Who Anointed Jesus at the Home of a Pharisee (7:36-50)

Matthew's Witness to Jesus' Anointing at Bethany Just Before His Betrayal (26:6-16)

Mark's Witness to Jesus' Anointing at Bethany Just Before His Betrayal (14:3-11)

John's Witness to Jesus' Anointing at Bethany by Mary Six Days Before the Passover (12:1-11)

The Fragrance of Christ (2 Corinthians 2:12-17)

September 10, 2017

The Egyptians Do Not Heed Moses' and Aaron's Miracles (Exodus 7-11)

The Story of David, Goliath, and Saul's Vendetta (1 Samuel 16-19)

The Story of Ahaziah's Bid to Baalzebub in Samaria (2 Kings 1)

Psalms 1: Do Not Follow the Wicked

Psalms 37: Do Not Fret About the Wicked

Psalms 151 (Septuagint): David's Deed

Psalms 9: God's Justice

Psalms 115: Glory to God

Psalms 11, 96, and 97: The Lord's Righteousness

The Root of Jesse and the Coming Restoration (Isaiah 11)

The Lord's Servant in Whom God's Spirit Dwells (Isaiah 42)

Jesus is Accused of being Beelzebub (Matthew 9:27-9:38 and 12:15-12:50; Mark 3:20-3:35; Luke 11:14-11:36 and 8:19-21)

Jesus is Lord (John 5:18-5:47)

Stephen's Speech About Loyalty to Jesus and His Subsequent Stoning (Acts 7)

September 17, 2017

The Call of Moses (Exodus 4)

Psalms 1: The Chaff of Sin

Psalms 35: Chaff Before the Wind

Psalms 91: God's Protection

Psalms 140: God's Protection Psalms

121: God's Protection

The Call of Jeremiah (Jeremiah 1)

Isaiah's Dream (6)

Isaiah's Warning to the False Prophets in Jerusalem (28)

Zephaniah's Warning (2)

Jesus Chooses His Apostles (Matthew 9:35-11:1 and 11:2-12:8; Mark 3:13-3:19; Luke 6:12-6:16 and 9:1-9:6 and 10:1-10:24)

The Addition of a New Apostle (Acts 1:12-26)

Paul's Letter to the Ephesian Church About Being One in Jesus (2)

September 24, 2017

The In-Breathing of Adam by the Holy Spirit and God's Calling Out of Adam and Eve (Genesis 2-3)

The Story of Noah and the Raising Up of New Life and God's Salvific Power (Genesis 5-7)

The Story of Joseph (Interrupted by the Story of Judah and Tamar) (Genesis 37, 38, 39)

Elijah Raises a Widow's Son (1 Kings 17:7-24)

Elisha Raises a Shuumanite Woman's Son (2 Kings 4:8-37)

A Man is Raised by Coming Into Contact With Elisha's Bones (2 Kings 13:20-21)

Psalm 16: God's Deliverance

Psalm 41: God's Deliverance

Jesus' Healing Power at Jairus' Home (Matthew 9:18-9:26; Mark 5:21-5:43)

Jesus' Healing Power at Jairus' Home and at Nain (Luke 8:40-8:56 and 7:11-15)

Peter Heals Paralyzed Aeneas in Lydda and Raises Tabitha (Dorcas) in Joppa (Acts of the Apostles 9:32-43)

Paul Raises the Boy Eutychus During His Time Teaching in Troas (Acts of the Apostles 20:7-12)

Paul's "Apron" Contains God's Healing Power in Itself (Acts of the Apostles 19)

October 1, 2017

Nathan's Parable of the Wealthy Sheep Thief (2 Samuel 12:1-9)

The Bramble King (Judges 9:7-15 and 16-21)

Isaiah's Parable of the Sorry Vineyard (5:1-7)

The Linen Loincloth (Jeremiah 13:1-11)

The Potter and the Clay (Jeremiah 18:1-10)

Ezekiel's Parable of the Two Eagles and the Cedar (Ezekiel 17)

Ezekiel's Parable of the Two Daughters (23)

The Overgrown Vineyard (Proverbs 24:30-34)

Isaiah's Parable of Plowing and Sowing (28:23-29)

Ezekiel's Parables of Dry Bones and Two Sticks (37)

Ezekiel's Parable of the Flowing Water (Ezekiel 47)

Zechariah's Parable of the Shepherd (Zechariah 11)

The Book of Hosea (The Adulteress)

The Book of Jonah (The Parable of the Sea Monster)

The Book of Ruth (A Parable of Loyalty)

The Book of Esther (A Parable of Bravery)

The Book of Job (The Parable of God's Sovereignty)

Psalms 78: I Will Speak in Parables

Matthew's Witness to Jesus' Parables (13:1-53; 18:10-14 and 23-25; 20:1-16)

The Parable of the Sower

The Purpose of the Parables

The Parable of the Weeds Among Wheat

The Parable of the Mustard Seed

The Parable of the Yeast

The Use of Parables

The Kingdom Parables

The Parable of the Lost Sheep

The Parable of the Unforgiving Servant

The Parable of the Laborers in the Vineyard

The Parable of the Two Sons

The Parable of the Wicked Tenants

The Parable of the Wedding Banquet

The Parable of the Unfaithful Slave

The Parable of the Ten Bridesmaids

The Parable of the Talents

Mark (4:1-34)

The Parable of the Sower

The Purpose of the Parables

A Lamp Under a Bushel Basket

The Parable of the Growing Seed The

Parable of the Mustard Seed

The Use of Parables

The Parable of the Wicked Tenants

Luke (8:4-18; 10:25-37; 12:13-13:9; 13:18-30; 14:7-17:10; 18:1-14; 19:11-27; 20:9-19; 21:29-33)

The Parable of the Sower

The Purpose of the Parables

A Lamp Under a Jar

The Parable of the Good Samaritan

The Parable of the Rich Fool

The Parable of the Watchful Slaves

The Parable of the Faithful or Unfaithful Slave

The Parable of the Barren Fig Tree

The Parable of the Mustard Seed

The Parable of the Yeast

The Parable of the Narrow Door

The Parable of the Great Dinner

The Parable of the Lost Sheep

The Parable of the Lost Coin

The Parable of the Prodigal Son

The Parable of the Dishonest Manager

The Parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus

The Parable of the Widow and the Unjust Judge

The Parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector

The Parable of the Ten Pounds

The Parable of the Wicked Tenants

The Parable of the Fig Tree

The Mysterious Parabolic Vision in Revelation (4 and 5) **October 8, 2017**

The Lord Speaks to Moses from a Burning Bush (Exodus 3)

Elijah Confronts Ahab (1 Kings 18)

Psalm 7: The Lord Will Judge the Peoples

Psalm 35: May Those Be Put to Shame Who Threaten My Life

Psalm 37: Do Not Fret Because of Those Who Are Evil

Psalm 79: We Are Objects of Contempt

Psalm 119: Do Good To Your Servant O Lord

The Death of the Prophet Uriah (Jeremiah 26:20-23)

The Suffering Servant (Isaiah 53)

The Lord's Prophecy and Jesus' Messianic Sign (Isaiah 61)

Jeremiah, the Most Persecuted Prophet (20 and 37)

Jesus' Rejection at Nazareth (Matthew 13:54-58 and Mark 6:1-6)

Jesus' Rejection at Nazareth at the Beginning of His Career (Luke 4:14-30)

The Parable of the Wicked Tenant (Luke 20:9-19)

Stephen Addresses the Sanhedrin (Acts 7:51-53)

October 15, 2017

The Story of Cain's Murder of Abel (Genesis 4)

David Kills Bathsheba's Husband and is Confronted by Nathan (2 Samuel 11 and 12)

Joseph's Brothers Throw Him into a Pit for Dead and Later Regret Their Deed (Genesis 37)

Psalm 102: Hear My Prayer O Lord

The Death of John the Baptist (Matthew 14:1-13; Mark 6:14-32)

Herod Thinks that Jesus is the Risen John the Baptist (Luke 9:7-9)

The Conversion of Saul, Persecutor of Christians (Acts 9)

October 22, 2017

God's Feeding of Manna and Quail in the Wilderness Through Moses (Exodus 16)

God's Promise of Abundance and the Call for Faithfulness (Deuteronomy 8)

Elisha's Feeding of the Multitude of People with Bread from First Fruits (2 Kings 2:42-44)

The Story of Ruth (the Barley Harvest)

Psalm 23: God's Provision

Psalm 72: The King Has Come

Psalm 80: Prayer for Restoration

Jeremiah's Prophecy of Restoration (31:10-14)

Ezekiel's Prophecy of Restoration (36:29)

Joel's Prophecy of Restoration (2:18-19)

The Apocalyptic Apocryphal Book of Baruch: The Prophecy of the Messiah and Feasting from Leviathan (29-30)

The Apocryphal Book of 2 Esdras: the Prophecy of God's Provision from Leviathan (6:49-52)

Jesus Feeds 5000 People (Matthew 14:13-21; Mark 6:30-44; Luke 9:10-17; John 6:1-15)

October 29, 2017

The Story of Creation (Genesis 1)

The Story of Noah (Genesis 7-9)

The Story of Moses' Birth (Exodus 2)

The Story of the Exodus Through the Sea (Exodus 14)

The Song of Moses and Miriam (Exodus 15)

Psalm 77, 95: The Lord Rescues Us from the Deep

Psalm 66: The Lord's Salvation Through the Waters

Psalm 136: The Lord's Mighty Creative Hand

The Book of Jonah

Jesus Walks on Water (Matthew 14:22-33 and John 6:16-21)

Jesus Stills a Storm (Mark 4:35-41; Luke 8:22-25)

Paul's Shipwreck (Acts 27)

November 5, 2017 The

Honoring of All Saints *Lectionary*

OPTION 1:

The Story of Tamar: Loyalty is Not As It May Appear (Genesis 38)

A Raining Down of Manna (Exodus 16 and Numbers 11)

Elijah's Healing / Raising of a Phoenician Woman's Son and a Gift of Bread (1 Kings 17)

The Story of Jezebel (of Phoenicia, Daughter of King of Tyre), Ahab, and Elijah (1 Kings 9; 16-21)

Elisha's Healing/Raising of a Shunammite Woman's Son (2 Kings 4)

The Story of Ruth: A Story of Faith from the Heart

Psalm 19: The Lord's Salvation

Jesus Heals a Canaanite Woman's Daughter in Tyre (Matthew 15:21-28)

Jesus Heals a Syrophenician Woman's Daughter in Tyre (Mark 7:24-30)

The Parable of the Great Dinner (Luke 14:15-24)

Salvation is for All Who Believe with the Heart Reminds Paul (Letter to the Romans Chapter 10)

Lectionary OPTION 2:

The Raising Up of a New Prophet Like Moses (Deuteronomy 18:15-22)

Psalms 2: The Son of God

Psalms 22: Song of Deliverance from Persecution and God's Victory

Psalms 110: The Priest of Melchizedek

God Knows the Name of the Son (Proverbs 30:3-6)

The Prophecy of Amos (8)

Zechariah's Oracle for Jerusalem (12)

Jeremiah's Prophecy of a New Covenant (31)

Isaiah's Suffering Servant (53)

The Book of Hosea

The Son of God Who Will Suffer (Hebrews 1 and 2)

Jesus' Prophecies of His Death and Resurrection (Matthew 16:21-23; 17:22-23; 20:17-19; 26:1-5; Mark 8:31-33; 9:3-10; 10:32-34; Luke 9:18-22; 9:44-45; 12:49-50; 18:31-34; John 7:12-24; 12:20-36; 13:31-35; 14:7; 16:16)

Jesus the Son of God (Acts of the Apostles 13)

Christ's Suffering (1 Peter 2)

The Resurrection of the Son and the Promise of Resurrection for All (1 Corinthians 15)

The Son of Man (Revelation 1)

November 12, 2017

The Potter's Hand (Genesis 2)

God's Hand / Finger Strikes Egypt (Exodus 6-8)

The Sotah Jealousy Ritual Given to the Israelites by God (Bitter Waters) (Exodus 32)

The Ritual of the Sotah and the Law of Jealousy (The Test of Bitter Waters) (Numbers 5)

The Finger of God Writes Upon the Tablets of Stone (Deuteronomy 9 and 10)

The Manner in Which Accusations Must Be Judged (Deuteronomy 17)

Guidelines for Judging Virginity (Deuteronomy 22)

The Story of David and Bathsheba and Nathan's Parable of the Lamb (2 Samuel 11 and 12)

Psalms 8: The Creative Work of God's Fingers

Psalms 36: God's Righteousness and the Fountain of Life

The Tablet of Your Heart: Proverbs 7:3; 3:3; 6:21

Jeremiah's Prophecy: Their Sin is Etched Upon Their Hearts (17)

Jeremiah's Prophecy of God's Restoration of Virgin Israel: I Will Write Upon Their Hearts (31)

Daniel's Story of Susanna and Joakim and the Unfair Trial (13)

Daniel's Prophecy of Judgment and God's Finger Writing on the Wall at Belshazzar's Feast (5)

Jesus' Discourse on Adultery and Divorce (Matthew 5:27-28; 19:3-12; Mark 10:112)

Jesus' Discourse on Divorce (16:18)

Jesus' Encounter With a Woman Accused of Adultery (John 7:37-8:12)

The Tablet of the Heart and our Witness Written by the Hand of the Spirit of the Lord (2 Corinthians 3)

November 19, 2017

Creation by the Hand of God from Dirt and Water and the Breath of the Holy Spirit (Genesis 1,2)

Moses and the Tent of Meeting During the Exodus (Exodus 33)

The Hallel Psalms: 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118

Psalm 40: From Out of the Mud

Psalm 103: He Remembers, We Are Dust

Psalm 139: You Formed Me in the Womb

The Potter and the Clay (Jeremiah 18)

The Potter (Isaiah 29:16)

The Cleansing of the Heart by God (Ezekiel 36:24-27)

Jesus' Healing of a Blind Man (Mark 8)

Jesus' Healing of a Man Born Blind with Clay and Saliva (John 8:56-10:21) Paul's

Eyes are Blinded and Then Opened on the Damascus Road (Acts 9)

The Potter and the Clay (Paul's Letter to the Romans 9)

November 26, 2017 Jesus' Transfiguration (Story Lectionary) [Christ the King Sunday]

Let There Be Light (Genesis 1)

Moses and the Burning Bush on God's Mountain (Exodus 2)

Witnesses to Moses on Sinai and the First Covenant (Exodus 24)

Moses in the Tent of Meeting (Exodus 33)

God Promises a Prophet Like Moses (Deuteronomy 18:15-22)

Elijah Baptizes (Immerses) the Altar With Water and God's Fire Burns it Up (1 Kings 18)

Elijah Meets God at Horeb (1 Kings 19)

Elijah's Disappearance (2 Kings 2)

Psalm 27: Light of God Dwells

Psalm 43: Light of Dwelling

Psalm 68: Presence of God in Wilderness and Mountain

Psalm 112: Light of the Righteous

Psalm 119: Glory of God's Precepts

The Coming of Elijah (Malachi 4)

Jesus' Transfiguration (Matthew 16:13-17:13; Mark 8:27-9:13; Luke 9:18-9:36)

The Prophecy About John (Luke 1:15-17)

Jesus as God's Light (John 1:1-18)

John's Revelation: Those Surrounding the Throne are Dressed in Brilliant White, and the Lamb Spreads His Tent and Offers Springs of Living Water (7)

John's Revelation: The Home of God is Among Mortals in the Restoration (21)

December 3, 2017 First Week of the Advent of Our Lord's Birth

The Lord Gives Moses the Words to Speak (Exodus 4)

King David Divides the Priests into Sects, Including the Eighth –Abijah, Descendants of Aaron (1 Chronicles 24)

The Priestly Leaders Including the Sect of Abijah (Nehemiah 12:1)

The Rite of Incense (Mishnah Tamid 6:3)

Gabriel Brings Daniel Wisdom Regarding His Vision After a Pause for Prayer and Supplication (Daniel 9)

The Birth and Dedication of Samuel the Prophet (1 Samuel 1)

The Coming of God's Redemption and Judgment / the Prophecy of the Servant (Isaiah 42)

The Call to the Prophet (Ezekiel 2)

The Issuance and Silence of Ezekiel and the Prophet by God (Ezekiel 3)

Psalm 39: Prayer for Wisdom (We Are a Mere Breath ...Selah)

Psalm 40: Prayer of Thanksgiving

Psalm 33: The Wait for the Lord

Psalm 85: The Lord's Promise of Restoration

Psalm 130: The Wit for Redemption

Psalm 145: Praise to the Lord / The Blessings of the Lord

Psalm 95: The Call to Worship

Psalm 119: Glory to God

Psalm 118: The Lord's Salvation

Psalm 139: You Know My Words Lord

Priest Zechariah's Prayer and Elizabeth's Pregnancy With John (Luke 1)

God's Promise Through History (Acts 13)

God's Wisdom (1 Corinthians)

December 10, 2017 The Second Sunday of the Advent of Our Lord

Adam is Hiding (Genesis 3)

Abraham and Isaac (Genesis 22)

Moses and the Burning Bush (Exodus 3)

Songs of Moses and Miriam (Exodus 15)

Prayer Song (Habakkuk 3)

The Song of Deborah (Judges 5)

Hannah's Song (1 Samuel 2:1-10)

Isaiah Responds to God (6)

Samuel Responds to God (1 Samuel 3)

Psalms 68: Praise to God Who Saves

Psalms 78: Lord's Covenant

Psalms 89: Covenant of the Anointed

Psalms 98: The Divine Judge

Psalms 103: Lord's Blessings

Psalms 105: Lord's Faithfulness

Psalms 111: God's Wonderful Deeds

Psalms 113: The Lord Lifts Up

Psalms 135: Praise to God

Psalms 136: God's Steadfast Love

Psalms 145: Greatness of God

Mary's Story (Luke 1:26-56; Matthew 1)

God's Call to Ananias (Acts 9)

December 17, 2017 The Third Sunday of the Advent of Our Lord

Joseph's Dreams (Genesis 37)

Daniel's Dreams (Daniel 2 and 7)

The Lord's Prophecy According to Joel (2) Psalms 2: God's Praise to His Anointed

Psalms 24: The Lord's Blessing

Psalms 80: The Lord's Restoration

Psalms 16: Like a Dream the Lord Will Save

Psalm 138: The Lord's Purpose

Psalm 139: You Know Me Lord

The Emmanuel Prophesied by Isaiah (7:10-25)

Joseph's Visitation (Matthew 1:18-25)

Joseph's Story (Luke 2:1-7)

Peter's Dream (Acts 10)

December 24, 2017 The Fourth Sunday of the Advent of Our Lord [Christmas Eve]

The Story of Cain and Abel (Genesis 4)

The Story of Abraham and Isaac (Genesis 22)

Jacob is Named Israel and Rachel is Buried in Bethlehem Ephrath (Genesis 35)

David, the Young Shepherd, is Chosen by God to be King of Israel (1 Samuel 16)

David is Made Shepherd King Over Israel (2 Samuel 5)

Psalm 23: The Lord is My Shepherd

Psalm 34: Praise for God's Deliverance

Psalm 93 and 96: The Lord is King

Psalm 110: God's Priestly King

Psalm 132: The Anointed in Ephrathath

The Prophecy of Micah (1-7, especially 2:12-ff; 4:1-ff; 5:1-ff; 7:14-ff)

The Prophecy of Isaiah: The Child from Galilee of the Nations and the Judgment of Israel (9)

The Prophecy of Jeremiah: the Restoration of the Flocks of Bethlehem (33)

The Prophecy of Ezekiel: The Lord is Israel's Shepherd Who Will Care for the Sheep (34)

The Shepherd's Amazement Upon the Arrival of the Messiah (Luke 2:1-21)

December 31, 2017 The Birth of the Christ Child

God Creates the Stars to Be Signs (Genesis 1)

A Pillar of Cloud Leads the Israelites and Stands Over the Tent of Meeting (Exodus 13 and 33)

The Prophecies of Balaam: God's Will for Israel Will Be Done / Israel's King (Numbers 23 and 24)

Psalms 19: The Heavens Declare the Lord's Glory

Psalms 72: The Blessings of Israel's King

Psalms 147: The Sovereignty of God Over the Heavens and Earth

Daniel is Given Authority Over all Wise Men in Nebuchadnezzar's Kingdom (Daniel 2)

The Light of Israel (Isaiah 60)

The Attention Drawn to Jesus' Birth and the Sign of the Star (Matthew 2)

The Birth and Circumcision of the Messiah Jesus (Luke 2:21-40)

Jesus the Light is Coming Soon (Revelation 22)

January 7, 2018 The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple

Cain's and Abel's First Fruits Sacrifice (Genesis 4)

The Story of Jacob and Esau and Their Father's Firstborn Blessing (Genesis 27)

The Consecration of the First Born (Exodus 13)

A Woman's Purification Sacrifice (Leviticus 12)

God's Firstborn Requirement (Numbers 3)

The Levite's Responsibility for God's Sacrifices (Numbers 18)

Psalm 55: The Anguished Heart

Psalm 74: The Desire of the Lord to Save

Psalm 68: The Desire for God to Prevail

Jesus' Presentation in the Temple and the Prophecies of Simeon and Anna (Luke 2:22-40)

On Prophecy (2 Peter 1)

January 14, 2018 The Visit of the Magi

Joseph's Brothers Bring Gifts to Him Along With His Brother Benjamin (Genesis 43)

The Queen of Sheba Visits Solomon (1 Kings 10)

Psalm 45: Gifts for God's King

Psalm 72: Gold from Sheba Will Be Given to God's King

King Hezekiah Shows Marduk-Baladan (son of the King of Babylon) His Treasures (2 Kings 20; Isaiah 39)

The Prophecy of Isaiah: The Bearing of Gifts from Medea and Sheba (Isaiah 60)

The Visit of the Magi to Bethlehem (Matthew 2)

Paul's Letter to the Philippians: Following Jesus Can Be Bittersweet

January 21, 2018

The Call of Abram (Genesis 12)

The Saving and Call of Moses (Exodus 2-3)

A Song of Moses (Deuteronomy 32)

Psalms of Praise to the Father: 68, 95, 100, 103, 104, 145, 149

Song of Solomon: the Precocious Fig Tree and the Vision of Love (2)

Young Samuel's Call (1 Samuel 1-3)

Young David's Anointing (1 Samuel 16)

Young Daniel's Commitment to God (Daniel 1-2)

A 12-Year Old Jesus in the Temple (Luke 2:41-52)

Timothy is Chosen by Paul to Be His Protégé (Acts 16)

January 28, 2018 Jesus' Final Month Before His Death

The Money Given for Atonement by All the Jews (Exodus 30)

Solomon Collects 666 Talents of Gold Per Year for the Wealth of His Temple (1 Kings 10)

As Solomon is Crowned King, the People Bring Gifts (1 Chronicles 29)

The Book of Jonah

Psalms 51: Prayer of Atonement

Psalms 63: The Prophecy of Things to Come

Psalms 64: A Plot is Arising but the Righteous Will Prevail

Matthew the Tax Collector Witnesses to Peter's Paying of the Temple Tax Per Jesus (17:24-27)

February 4, 2018

The Boy Isaac is Saved from the Fire (Genesis 22:1-19)

Baby Moses is Saved from Death by a Basket Sent Down River (Exodus 2:1-10)

The Boy Samuel is Called by God (1 Samuel 3:1-18)

The Boy David Slays Goliath (1 Samuel 17)

Psalms 127: Children are a Blessing

Psalms 131: Like a Child

Psalm 139: Known by God from the Womb

Psalm 8: Through the Praise of Children and Infants

Proverbs 3: A Lesson to Children

Jesus Honors Children and Blesses Children (Matthew 18:1-14 and 19:1 and 19:13-15; Mark 9:33-37 and 10:13-16; Luke 9:43-48 and 18:15-17)

February 11, 2018

The Building of the Tower of Babel (Genesis 11)

Jacob's Ladder at Bethel (Genesis 28)

The Blessing of Ephraim and Manasseh (Genesis 48:12-20)

Micaiah's Prophecy of God's Deliverance (1 Kings 22)

The Prophet Isaiah Tells of the Lord's Sovereign Hand Over Stubborn Israel (48)

Psalm 110: The Lord Shall Sit at God's Right Hand

Psalm 118: The Right Hand of the Lord Almighty

Do Not Exalt Yourself in the King's Presence but Wait to Be Invited (Proverbs 25:67)

John's and James' Mother's Request of Jesus (Matthew 20:20-28)

John's and James' Request of Jesus (Mark 10:35-45)

Jesus' Parable of the Place of Honor and the King's Dinner (Luke 14)

Peter's Sermon on the Sovereignty of Jesus Sitting at God's Right Hand (Acts 2)

The Sermon and Stoning of Stephen (Acts 7)

[February 14, 2018: Ash Wednesday]

February 18, 2018 The First Sunday in Jesus' Lenten Journey (Jesus' Last Months)

Moses Officiates the Covenant Between God and Israel (Exodus 24)

Ezekiel's Story of Jerusalem and the Lord's Adulterous Wife (16 and 23)

Jeremiah's Story of Israel's Unfaithfulness to God (3)

Hosea's Story of Israel's Prostitution and Adultery Against God

Psalms 106: Israel's Waywardness and God's Faithfulness

Psalms 73: God's Faithfulness to Wayward Israel

Jesus' Parable of a Wedding Banquet (Matthew 22)

Jesus' Parable of a Great Dinner (Luke 14:1-24)

Beware the Way You Live (Paul's Letter to the Church in Ephesus 5)

February 25, 2018 The Second Week of Jesus' Lenten Journey

The Israelites' Time 'Lost' in the Wilderness Grumbling Against God (Exodus 15 and 16)

Psalms 23: The Good Shepherd

Psalms 119: Do Not Let Me Stray

Through Jeremiah, God Mourns That His Sheep Are Scattered and Lost, and God Vows to Raise Up a Branch, a King of the House of David (23)

Through Jeremiah, God Mourns That His Sheep Are Scattered and Lost, and Jeremiah Predicts the Fall of Babylon and the Return of the Fold (50)

Ezekiel Tells of God's Anger at the Shepherds of Israel Who Have Not Cared for the Flock; God Vows to Care for the Flock and Look for the Lost (34)

Micah Tells of God's Plan to Raise Up a Shepherd to Rule Over Israel; Then God Will Seek the Lost Sheep of Israel (5)

The Stories of Those Lost (Sheep, Coin, Son) (Luke 15)

Be Good Shepherds of Your Flock (1 Peter 5)

March 4, 2018 The Third Sunday of Jesus' Lenten Journey

The Story of Cain and Abel (Genesis 4)

The Order of Priestly Dress –Blue, and Purple, and Fine Linen (Exodus 28 and 39)

The Colors of the Tabernacle Linen Veil (Exodus 36)

Regulations Regarding Skin Diseases and Pronouncements of “Unclean” (Leviticus 13)

The Lord's Dressing of Bride Jerusalem and His “Dressing Down” at Her Betrayal (Ezekiel 16)

The Lord Clothes Joshua the High Priest to Govern Over Jerusalem (Zechariah 3)

Clothed With the Garments of Salvation (Isaiah 61)

Psalms 30: Clothed in God's Favor

Jesus' Parable About “Lazarus” and a “Certain” Rich Man (Luke 16:19-31) The Conversion of Lydia (Acts 16)

March 11, 2018 The Fourth Week of Jesus' Lenten Journey

God's Creation of Humankind and the Command to Bear Fruit (Genesis 1)

Psalms 1: Blessed is He Who Yields Fruit in Season

Psalms 128: The Lord's Blessing

You are the Fruit of Your Actions (Proverbs 11:30; 1:31; 12:14)

The Lord Plants, and the Lord Uproots (Jeremiah 12)

Israel's Unfaithfulness (Ezekiel 15)

Israel's Wickedness (Hosea 10)

The Song of God's Vineyard (Isaiah 5)

Jesus' Description of the Vine and the Branches (John 15)

Jesus' Parable of the Wicked Tenants (Luke 20:9-19; Matthew 21:33-46; Mark 12:1-12)

The Fruit of the Spirit Described by Paul (Galatians 5)

March 18, 2018 The Fifth Week of Jesus' Lenten Journey

God Plants a Garden (Genesis 2)

The Story of Cain and Abel (Genesis 4)

Noah Plants a Vineyard (Genesis 9)

God's Laws of Mercy (Exodus 23)

The Unkempt Vineyard (Proverbs 24:30-31)

Psalms 115: The Lord Will Bless Us

Psalms 65: The Lord's Bounty

Psalms 80: The Transplanted Vine of Israel

The Lord Gives His People a Vineyard Which They Did Not Plant (Joshua 24)

The Song of God's Vineyard (Isaiah 5)

Jesus' Parable of Vineyard Workers (Matthew 20:1-16)

Be Generous in Your Love and Compassion Paul Says (2 Corinthians 9)

March 25, 2018 Palm Sunday / The Procession of the Lamb

The Blessing of Judah (Genesis 49)

The Feast of Passover (Exodus 11-12)

David Anoints Solomon King After Bidding He Ride in On His Mule (1 Kings 1)

The Song of Deborah (Judges 5)

Zechariah's Prophecy of the Savior (9:9-17)

Psalms 85: The Lord Covers Our Sins

Psalm 113-118: The Full Hallel

Psalm 118: The Victory of the Lord (Psalm of Procession)

Psalm 136: The Great Hallel

The Final Sacrifice of Christ (Hebrews 10)

Jesus in the Procession of the Lambs (Mark 11:1-11; Matthew 21:1-11; Luke 19:28-44; John 12:12-19)

Paul's Bind With the Sanhedrin (Acts 21-23)

April 1, 2018 The Day of Resurrection

The Mercy Seat / The Closing of Eden and Guarding of the Tree of Life (Genesis 3:24)

The Angel With Sword and the Story of Balak and Balaam the Donkey (Numbers 22)

Psalm 99: The Lord Sits Enthroned Between the Cherubim

Psalm 104: The Lord Wrapped in Light

Ezekiel's Vision of the Lord's Throne Above the Cherubim (1 and 10)

Joshua Encounters an Angel of the Lord With Sword (5)

David's Encounter With an Angel With Sword of Judgment (1 Chronicles 21)

The Stone Rolled Away and Jesus' Resurrection (Matthew 28; Luke 24:1-8)

Jesus' Resurrection, the Angels at Head and Foot, and Jesus as Gardener (John 20)

The Opening of the Way to the Light Through Christ Risen (Hebrews 10)