

*YEAR 2006*

*DAILY  
BIBLE READINGS*



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*Cherish this treasure God has given to us -- the Holy Bible!*

"FULL READINGS" = Reading most doctrines, histories, themes of the Bible this year, including about 1/2 of the Psalms and Proverbs. If you also follow the "full readings" in an odd numbered year (alternate years), you will read the entire Bible in the 2 years.

"SHORTER READINGS" = Reading 1 or 2 chapters daily. (Highly condensed "full readings")

### COMBINATION READINGS:

1/ Use "Shorter Readings" for Old Testament and "Full Readings" for New Testament books. You will be reading the entire New Testament this year if you will also read Matthew.

2/ Plan to follow the "Full Readings." If you drop behind, use the "Shorter Readings" until you catch up again.

### HIGHLY RECOMMENDED:

1/ Keep a highlighter beside your Bible. Highlight sections that you may want to find again.  
(Some highlighters bleed thru the paper used in many Bibles, but still recommended)  
(You might ignore the bleed-through or find a different highlighter)

2/ Put the date in this guide at the place where you stop reading for the day.

INFORMATION: Each Sunday is dated and given the liturgical name of that day, and below that are the Scriptures appointed to be read in the worship services that weekend.

**May God richly bless you as you read His Word!**

### Sunday Jan 1 NEW YEAR'S DAY

Numbers 6:22-27    Romans 1:1-7    Luke 2;21

Full reading for week: Luke chapters 1 - 8 + Psalms below

Or for shorter readings:

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Mon    Read Luke chapter 1    +    →    Psalm 1

Tue    Luke ch. 2    +    →    Ps 23

Wed    Luke 3    +    →    Ps 46

Thur    Luke 5    +    →    Ps 118

**EPIPHANY**    →    →    **Ps 72**

Sat    Luke 8

### Sunday Jan 8 THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

Isaiah 42:1-7    Acts 10:34-38    Mark 1:4-11

Full reading for week: Luke chapters 9 - 16

Or for shorter readings:

Mon    Luke ch. 9

Tues    Luke 10

Wed    Luke 11

Thur    Luke 12

Fri    Luke 13

Sat    Luke 15



Sunday Feb 5                    5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY  
 Job 7:1-7                    1 Cor. 9:16-23                    Mark 1:29-39  
 Full Reading for week: Genesis 34-50  
*Or for shorter readings:*  
 Mon    Gen 35                    Jacob (renamed Israel) blessed; 12 sons="Children of  
 Israel"  
 Tues    Gen 37                    Joseph dreams; sold into slavery; taken to Egypt  
 Wed    Gen 39-40                    Joseph falsely imprisoned; God reveals dream meanings  
 Thur    Gen 41;46:1-7                    Joseph rules, stockpiles in Egypt; family moves to  
 Egypt  
 Fri                    Gen 48                    Joseph's sons Manasseh &  
 Ephraim named sons of Israel                    Sat                    Gen 50  
 Joseph repays brothers good for evil; Joseph dies in the faith

Sunday Feb 12                    6<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY  
 2 Kings 5:1-14                    1 Cor. 9:24-27                    Mark 1:40-45  
 Full reading for week: Acts 1-8  
*Or for shorter readings:*  
 Mon    Acts 1                    Jesus' ascension & immediately following  
 Tues    Acts 2                    The Holy Spirit given as promised - Pentecost Day  
 Wed    Acts 3                    Apostle Peter heals; preaches re: Savior promise to  
 Abraham  
 Thur    Acts 4                    Disciples testify about Jesus the Savior  
 Fri    Acts 6-7                    Stephen named apostles' assistant; preaches Jesus; killed  
 Sat    Acts 8                    Persecution; Philip teaches about Jesus, baptizes  
 Ethiopian

Sunday Feb 19                    7<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY  
 Isaiah 43:18-25                    2 Cor. 1:18-22                    Mark 2:1-12  
 Full reading for week: Acts 9-18  
*Or for shorter readings:*  
 Mon    Acts 9                    Saul's conversion into the Apostle Paul  
 Tues    Acts 10-11                    God sends Peter to non-Jews. God also calls non-Jews  
 Wed    Acts 12                    Apostle James killed; Peter imprisoned-miraculous release  
 Thur    Acts 13-14                    Paul's 1st missionary journey  
 Fri    Acts 15                    Believers not required to keep Old Testament ceremonies  
 Sat    Acts 16                    Continuing Apostle Paul's 2<sup>nd</sup> Missionary journey



Sunday March 19      3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT  
 Exodus 20:1-17    1 Cor. 1:22-25    John 2:13-22  
 Full reading for week: Exodus 1,3,12 + Deuteronomy 1-15  
*Or for shorter readings:*

Mon	Ex. 1,3	Israelites became slaves in Egypt. God tells Moses to lead them out of Egypt to Promised Land
Tues	Ex 12	Passover-God kills 1st born Egyptians Israelites "eXit" (Exodus) Egypt
Wed	Deut. 5-6	10 Commandments. Be faithful to the One True God
Thur	Deut 9	Israelites worshipped a golden calf! Punished, restored
Fri	Deut 11	Moses reviews history teaching new generation to serve
Sat	Deut 12	Worship regulations--designed to help train God's people

God

Sunday March 26      4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT  
 Numbers 21:4-9    Ephesians 2:4-10    John 3:14-21  
 Full reading for week: Deuteronomy 16-34  
*Or for shorter readings:*

Mon	Deut 16	3 required annual celebrations
Tues	Deut 17	Government in new Promised Land
Wed	Deut 19	Cities of refuge for unintentional loss of life
Thur	Deut 26	Tithes and offerings
Fri	Deut 28	Serve God-blessings; disobey-curses, exile from Land
Sat	Deut 31:1-3; 34	Joshua to succeed Moses. Moses dies

Sunday April 25<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT  
 Jeremiah 31:31-34    Hebrews 5:7-9    John 12:20-33  
 Full reading for week: 1 Corinthians  
*Or for shorter readings:*

Mon	1 Cor. 1	Introduction; unity in Christ; God's wisdom
Tues	1 Cor. 2	Apostles spoke wisdom from God; Spirit moves God's
Wed	1 Cor. 4	Accept Apostles as God's messengers
Thur	1 Cor. 11	Properly using Holy Communion
Fri	1 Cor. 12	God gives each believer gifts to play his part in the Church

people

Sat 1 Cor. 15 Great resurrection chapter. Jesus rose--so will all believers

Sunday April 9 PALM SUNDAY / SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

Zechariah 9:9-10 Philippians 2:5-11 Mark 14:1 - 15:47

Full readings: All Psalms listed for each day

*Or for shorter readings: 1<sup>st</sup> Psalm listed for each day*

Mon Ps. 111, 41, 36

Tues Ps. 71, 91, 28

Wed Ps. 70, 34, 6

*Maundy Thur* Ps. 116, 19

*Good Friday* Ps. 22, 32, 69

Sat Ps. 31, 16

Sunday April 16 EASTER SUNDAY

Isaiah 25:6-9 1 Cor. 15:19-28 Mark 16:1-8

Full reading for week: Joshua

*Or for shorter readings:*

Mon Joshua 1 Joshua becomes leader of Israel

Tues Joshua 5 Observing circumcision (sign of God's covenant-Gen 17:11)

Wed Joshua 7 + v1 of each ch. 12-17 + ch. 18:1-10

Thur Joshua 22 East tribes return home; promise to remain faithful to God

Fri Joshua 23 Aged Joshua's farewell; warning Israel to be faithful to God

Sat Joshua 24 Israel renews covenant with God;  
Joseph's bones brought from Egypt in faith--buried

Sunday April 23 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 3:13-15,17-26 1 John 5:1-6 John 20:19-31

Full reading for week: 2 Corinthians

*Or for shorter readings:*

Mon 2 Cor. 5 Christ's sacrificial love for us moves us to serve Him

Tues 2 Cor. 6-7 Paul's sufferings & joy

Wed 2 Cor. 8-9 Generous, joyful Christian offerings

Thur 2 Cor. 10-11 Apostle Paul's credentials

Fri 2 Cor. 12 God's grace sufficient for us to endure affliction

Sat 2 Cor. 13 Remain in the true faith in the Savior Jesus

Sunday April 30            3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER  
 Acts 4:8-12            1 John 1:1 - 2:2            Luke 24:36-49

Full reading for week: Judges + Ruth

*Or for shorter readings:* (The "judges" were hero leaders, not court officials.)

God	Mon	Judges 1:1-2:3	Major battles won; Did not mop all remaining enemies
	Tues	Judges 10-11	Examples: God gives help thru judges (hero leaders)
	Wed	Judges 13	Birth of Samson who was to be dedicated to serve
5)	Thur	Judges 16	Samson's downfall; hair--Nazirite (see Numbers 6:1-5)
	Fri	Ruth 1-2	Ruth has faith in true God; faithful to mother-in-law
	Sat	Ruth 3-4	Ruth--Israelite only by marriage, not birth Ruth is great-grandmother of King David

Sunday May 7            4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER  
 Acts 4:23-33            1 John 3:1-2            John 10:11-18

Full reading: Galatians + Ephesians + Ps. & Prov. below)

(David wrote many of the Psalms. The word "Law" in Old Testament often means simply "God's Word," and not relationship to the "gospel.")

*Or for shorter readings:*

Mon	Gal. 1	Psalm 4
Tues	Gal. 2	Psalm 13, 14
Wed	Gal. 4	Psalm 17
Thur	Eph. 1	Psalm 25, 26
Fri	Eph. 2	Psalm 30
Sat	Eph. 3	Proverbs ch. 8

Sunday May 14            5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER (Mother's Day)  
 Acts 8:26-40            1 John 3:18-24            John 15:1-8

Full reading for week: 1 Samuel 1-15 (*Covers Samuel & King Saul*)

*Or for shorter readings:*

Mon	1 Samuel 1	Samuel born, dedicated to serve the Lord at the tabernacle
Tues	1 Sam 3	The LORD spoke to Samuel--was a prophet to tell God's word
Wed	1 Sam 6	Captured Ark of Covenant returned to Israel
Thur	1 Sam 8	People of Israel ask for earthly king
Fri	1 Sam 10	God acquiesced & has Samuel anoint Saul as king

Sat 1 Sam 13 God rejected Saul as king for violating God's commands

Sunday May 21 6<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER  
Acts 11:19-30 1 John 4:1-11 John 15:9-17  
Full reading for week: 1 Samuel 16-31 + Ps 47 on Ascension Day  
(David anointed king, but Saul hangs on and fights David)  
(David probably wrote Psalms 2-41, 51, & others)  
Or for shorter readings: (read above notes)  
Mon 1 Samuel 16 God chooses David and Samuel anoints David as king  
Tues 1 Sam 21 Priest helps David-gives consecrated bread (see Matt 12:3-8)  
Wed 1 Sam 23 David & followers attack Israel's enemy; Saul pursues David  
Ascension Day 1 Sam 26 + Psalm 47  
Fri 1 Sam 28 Saul inquires from a medium; told of his impending death  
Sat 1 Sam 31 Wounded in battle with enemy Philistines, Saul kills himself

Sunday May 28 7<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER  
Acts 1:15-26 1 John 4:13-21 John 17:11b-19  
Full reading for week: Philipians & Colossians  
+ Ps. & Prov. on days listed below  
Or for shorter readings: V  
Mon Phil. 1 Psalm 33,37  
Tues Phil. 2 Proverbs 2  
Wed Phil. 3 Psalm 35, 43  
Thur Col. 1 Proverbs 3  
Fri Col. 2 Psalm 38, 40  
Sat Col. 3 Psalm 42, 49

Sunday June 4 PENTECOST SUNDAY  
Ezekiel 37:1-14 Acts 2:22-36 John 7:37-39a  
Full reading: 2 Samuel 1-12  
after reading ch 7 read Ps 89 & 132  
after reading ch 12 read Ps 51  
Or for shorter readings:  
Mon 2 Sam 1 David laments Saul's death for God had anointed Saul as king)  
Tues 2 Sam 2 David opposed by Saul's faithful followers. Rules only Judah  
Wed 2 Sam 5 After intrigues (ch 3-4) David rules over all Israel

Thur 2 Sam 7, Ps 89, 132 God promised David's descendant would be Savior Jesus, Who would rule forever  
 Fri 2 Sam 11-12, Ps 51 David sins; forgiven, Ps response to forgiveness  
 Sat 2 Sam 15 David's son Absalom leads coup against King David

Sunday June 11 TRINITY SUNDAY

Deut. 6:4-9 Romans 8:14-17 John 3:1-17  
 Full reading for week: 2 Samuel 13-24 + at ch 22 read Ps 18  
 Or for shorter readings: (Remainder of David's reign as king)  
 Mon 2 Sam 18 Coup leader Absalom killed. David laments his son's death  
 Tues 2 Sam 19 David stops mourning to appease army; restored to throne  
 Wed 2 Sam 21 God uses David to right Saul's violence. More battles!  
 Thur 2 Sam 22, Ps 18 David's song of praise to God; compare with Ps 18  
 Fri 2 Sam 23 v1-7 David's last will & testament v2 David a prophet of God  
 Sat 2 Sam 24 v5 God's covenant of the Savior-- descendant of David  
 David sins, chastised by God, David offers sacrifice to God  
 That site to be the future site of temple -- 1 Chron 22:1

Sunday June 18 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (Father's Day)

Deut. 5:12-15 2 Corinthians 4:5-12 Mark 2:23-28  
 Full reading for week: 1 & 2 Thessalonians  
 + Ps. & Prov. on days listed below  
 Or for shorter readings:  
 Mon 1 Thess. 1-2 Proverbs 4  
 Tues 1 Thess. 3 Psalm 50, 55  
 Wed 1 Thess. 4 Psalm 56, 57  
 Thur 1 Thess. 5 Psalm 62, 65  
 Fri 2 Thess. 1 Psalm 66, 67  
 Sat 2 Thess. 2-3 Psalm 68

Sunday June 25 3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Genesis 3:8-15 2 Corinthians 4:13-18 Mark 3:20-35  
 Full reading for week: 1 Kings 1-11 (King Solomon)  
 (Solomon wrote Ecclesiastes, Song of Songs, some Psalms & Proverbs)  
 Or for shorter readings:  
 Mon 1 Kings 2 David's son Solomon secures his throne  
 Tues 1 Kings 4 Speed read v2-19; riches and wisdom of Solomon  
 Wed 1 Kings 6 Temple built under King Solomon; Replaced Tabernacle  
 Thur 1 Kings 8 Ark (Ex 25:10-22) placed in Temple & dedication & prayer

Fri 1 Kings 9 God warns Solomon to be faithful to God; more on Solomon  
Sat 1 Kings 11 Solomon sins - forfeits dynasty. Solomon dies

Sunday July 2 4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Ezekiel 17:22-24 2 Cor. 5:1-10 Mark 4:26-34

Full reading for week: Ecclesiastes + Song of Songs (*Song of Solomon*)  
+ Proverbs ch. 1,11,14,16,25,28 (1 Prov ch. a day)

*Solomon wrote Ecclesiastes, Song of Songs, many Proverbs*

*In Proverbs the words "wisdom" & "fools" or "simple" sometimes denote a proper or improper relationship to God (See Prov. 1:7,22; 9:10; 10:23; 14:16)*

*Or for shorter readings:*

Mon Proverbs 1 True wisdom exists only in reverence of God - v7

July 4 Proverbs 11:11,14; 14:34; 16:12; 25:5; 28:2-5

Wed Ecclesiastes 1-2 Every worldly thing striven for ends up as emptiness

Thur Ecc. 8 Rulers and citizens

Fri Ecc. 12 Conclusion: Only relationship to God finally matters

Sat Song 7 Marriage love song OR God & believer's mutual love

Sunday July 9 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Job 38:1-11 2 Cor. 5:14-21 Mark 4:35-41

Full reading for week: 1 Kings 12 - 22 + 2 Kings 1 - 17

*Time: Divided kingdom after Solomon--till fall of North Kingdom (931-722 BC)*

*By his sin Solomon forfeited his dynasty (1 Kgs 11). Yet David's dynasty of the eternal ruling is Promised Savior progresses in Judah. During the divided kingdom, the north kingdom is called "Israel," "Ephraim," or "Samaria" and the south "Judah," or rarely, "Israel."*

*Or for shorter readings:*

Mon 1 Kings 12 Split of kingdom; North, without the Temple, begins idolatry

Tues 1 Kgs 16 Wicked kings of the North Kingdom, Israel/Ephraim/Samaria

Wed 1 Kgs 18:1-19:1 Prophet Elijah preaches true God, but is opposed

Thur 2 Kings 2 Elisha sees Elijah taken to heaven

Fri 2 Kgs 16 Judah King Ahaz allied Assyria; erected idol altar at Temple

Sat 2 Kgs 17 Assyria conquers, deports Israel; repopulates the area

Sunday July 16 6<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Lamentations 3:22-33 2 Cor. 8:1-9,13-14 Mark 5:21-24a,35-43

Full reading for week: Gospel According to St. Mark

*Or for shorter readings:*

Mon Mark 5

Tues Mark 7

Wed Mark 9

Thur Mark 11  
 Fri Mark 14  
 Sat Mark 15-16

Sunday July 23 7<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Ezekiel 2:1-5 2 Cor. 12:7-10 Mark 6:1-6

Full reading for week: Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah  
*Chronologically, the time of these prophets is the last half of the divided kingdom.*

*These short Bible books plus 6 other short prophets' books are positioned together at the end of the Old Testament and called "The 12 Minor Prophets."*

*The 12 Minor Prophets fall into 3 general time periods:*

1/ Last half of the divided kingdom to fall of north kingdom (2 Kgs 3-17)

Minor prophets this period-consecutively: Obadiah, Joel, Jonah, Amos, Hosea,

Micah

*(2 Chronicles 21-28 are same time period; read in our*

*alternate yr. schedule)*

2/ Fall of north kingdom to fall of south kingdom.(2 Kg.18-25)

Minor prophets this time period, consecutively: Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah.

*( 2 Chronicles 29-36 are same time period; read in our*

*alternate yr. schedule )*

3/ After Babylonian exile to 400BC. (History covered in Ezra, Nehemiah, & Esther)

In this time period are Minor Prophets: Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi:

*"Major Prophets" are Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel.*

*Isaiah's time = end of # 1 period above and into # 2*

*Jeremiah = # 2 period above - after Isaiah*

*Ezekiel & Daniel were among early captives taken into Babylonian*

*Exile*

Or for shorter readings: **(read note above)**

repentance	Mon	Obadiah	God will destroy wicked Edom; the only hope is in
faithful	Tues	Joel 1,3	God calls the suffering people to repentance; blesses
	Wed	Jonah 3-4	Jonah reprimanded for his displeasure over God sparing Nineveh after Jonah's preaching & their repentance
	Thur	Amos 7	God threatens exile because people refuse to repent
	Fri	Hosea 7-8	God seeking His people who nevertheless refuse to repent
	Sat	Micah 1-2	Exile for unrepentant - promise of good for faithful believers

Sunday July 30 8<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Amos 7:10-15 Ephesians 1:3-14 Mark 6:7-13

Full reading: 1 & 2 Timothy + Psalms & Proverbs listed below

Or for shorter readings:

Mon 1 Tim. 1

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Proverbs 5

Tues	1 Tim. 2	Psalm 73, 77
Wed	1 Tim. 4	Psalm 79, 80
Thur	1 Tim. 6	Psalm 84, 85
Fri	2 Tim. 3	Proverbs 6
Sat	2 Tim. 4	Psalm 86, 150

Sunday August 6            9<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Jeremiah 23:1-6    Ephesians 2:13-22    Mark 6:30-34

Full reading for week: Isaiah 1 - 39

*Or for shorter readings*

Mon	Is. 6	God calls Isaiah to be a prophet, but many will not heed him
Tues	Is. 14	Even though enemies attack, God blesses His own people
Wed	Is. 29	Ariel=Jerusalem--wicked;future glory of God's
people(church)		
Thur	Is. 32	Christ's NT church-great; but OT Israel then-ungodly people
Fri	Is. 36	Assyrian King Sennacherib threatens Jerusalem
Sat	Is. 37	God miraculously delivers Jerusalem from Assyrians

Sunday August 13            10<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Exodus 24:3-11    Ephesians 4:1-7,11-16    John 6:1-15

Full reading for week: Isaiah 40 - 66

*Or for shorter readings*

Mon	Is. 46	Great God upholds his own-even thru any oppression
Tues	Is. 50	Promised One willing to suffer to please the Lord
Wed	Is. 53	Thru Isaiah God revealed Jesus' passion centuries earlier
Thur	Is. 58	True repentance desired by God, not merely ceremonies
Fri	Is. 64	A repentant plea for God's mercy
Sat	Is. 65	God offers mercy; God will greatly bless those who trust

Him

Sunday August 20            11<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Exodus 16:2-15    Ephesians 4:17-24    John 6:24-35

Full reading for week: Titus + Philemon +

+ Psalms & Proverbs below

*Or for shorter readings:*

Mon	Titus 1	Psalm 92, 94
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Tues	Jer. 9	God will refine His unfaithful people thru exile
Wed	Jer. 13	Illustrated message warning the unfaithful of exile
Thur	Jer. 18	God will relent of punishment if there is repentance
Fri	Jer. 23	God promises the Savior, bringing righteousness for sinners
Sat	Jer. 25	70 yr Babylon captivity decreed because of wickedness

Sunday September 17      15<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Deut. 4:1-2,6-8 Eph. 6:10-20 Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23

Full reading for week: John 12 - 21

*Or for shorter readings:*

Mon	John 12
Tues	John 13
Wed	John 14
Thur	John 15
Fri	John 19
Sat	John 20

Sunday September 24      16<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Isaiah 35:4-7a James 1:17-22(23-25)26-27 Mark 7:31-37

Full reading for week: Jeremiah 30-52 + Lamentations

Lamentations=weeping & mourning about the destruction of Jerusalem, Temple,

exile

*Or for shorter readings:*

Mon	Jer. 34	King will be captured; God demanded free Hebrew slaves
Tues	Jer. 35	As some were faithful to ancestor--learn to be faithful to God
Wed	Jer. 38	King spares Jeremiah, who preached surrender
Thur	Jer. 39	Jerusalem captured. Jeremiah set free by the enemy
Fri	Jer. 50	God decrees: Babylon be destroyed; exiles return to Judah
Sat	Lamentations 2	Grief over fall of Jerusalem, Temple destruction, exile

Sunday October 1      17<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Isaiah 50:4-10 James 2:1-5,8-10,14-18 Mark 8:27-35

Full reading for week: Hebrews

*Or for shorter readings:*

Mon	Heb. 5	Jesus, our Priest, offered up Himself to save us
Tues	Heb. 6	Don't discard Jesus; God's promise of heaven is certain

Wed	Heb. 7	Jesus' sacrifice of Himself for our sins is forever valid
Thur	Heb. 8	Jesus: perfect, saves; old covenant (law) did not save
Fri	Heb. 9	Jesus sacrifice opened the way to God
Sat	Heb 13	v 8 Jesus is the same forever

Sunday October 8                    18<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Jeremiah 11:18-20 James 3:16-4:6 Mark 9:30-37

Full reading for week: Ezekiel 1 - 24

*(Ezekiel: Major Prophet taken to Babylon before Jerusalem destroyed & during exile)*

Or for shorter readings:

prophet	Mon	Ezekiel 1-2	The glory of the Lord appears to Ezekiel; called to be
	Tues	Ezek. 4	God has Ezekiel in Babylon illustrate the siege at Jerusalem
	Wed	Ezek. 10	Vision: God taking His special presence from the Temple
Savior	Thur	Ezek. 16	Allegory-unfaithful Jerusalem; God will keep promise of
	Fri	Ezek. 20	Israel unfaithful after God's goodness; new faithful Israel
destruction	Sat	Ezek. 24	Ezekiel's wife's death pictures Jerusalem Temple

Sunday October 15                    19<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Num. 11:4-6,10-16,24-29 James 4:7-12(13-5:6) Mark 9:38-50

Full reading for week: Ezekiel 25-48

*(Later chapters of Ezekiel picture New Testament church and heaven couched in terms of the sacrifices God commanded people to offer and the temple at Jerusalem.)*

Or for shorter readings:

	Mon	Ezek. 34	God will shepherd His people
	Tues	Ezek. 37	Dry bones; God creating spiritual life; one church, heaven
	Wed	Ezek 40:1-5; 41	Vision: new temple which is not physical bldg, but spiritual, God with the New Testament Church, and glorious in heaven; This perfect, spiritual temple concept continues from here to end of book.
	Thur	Ezek. 43	Vision of future glory of God residing with believers
	Fri	Ezek. 47:1-12	Salvation flowing to mankind Compare Rev. 22:1-6
	Sat	Ezek. 48:30-35	God's presence with believers Compare Rev 21

Sunday October 22                    20<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Gen 2:18-24 Hebrews 2:9-11(12-18) Mark 10:2-16

Full reading for week: James + Psalms & Proverbs below

Or for shorter readings:

Mon	James 1	V	Proverbs 12
Tues	James 2		Psalms 106
Wed	James 3		Proverbs 13
Thur	James 4		Psalms 115, 117
Fri	James 5		Psalms 124, 125
Sat	Proverbs 31		Proverbs 31

Sunday Oct 29 REFORMATION OBSERVANCE (from 10/31)

Jer. 31:31-34 Romans 3:19-28 John 8:31-36

Full Reading for week: Daniel

(Daniel--a major prophet, an exile in Babylon, ascended to 2<sup>nd</sup> in authority in Babylon)

Or for shorter readings:

Mon	Daniel 3	3 men in the fiery furnace; trust God no matter what
Tue	Dan 4	God taught king humility; gave Daniel power to interpret dream
Wed	Dan 5	Handwriting on wall: Re: end of Babylonian empire
Thur	Dan 6	Daniel in the lions' den; worship only God no matter what
Fri	Dan 8	Daniel's vision of future kingdoms
Sat	Dan 12	Archangel Michael mentioned People leading others to Jesus shine in heaven

Sunday Nov 5 22<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Isaiah 53:10-12 Hebrews 4:9-16 Mark 10:35-45

Full reading: 1 & 2 Peter + Psalms & Proverbs listed below

Or for shorter readings:

Mon	1 Peter 1	V	Psalms 127, 128
Tues	1 Peter 3		Psalms 133, 134
Wed	1 Peter 5		Proverbs 15
Thur	2 Peter 1		Psalms 141, 143
Fri	2 Peter 2		Psalms 144, 146
Sat	2 Peter 3		Psalms 139

Sunday November 12 3<sup>rd</sup> LAST SUNDAY IN THE CHURCH YEAR

Daniel 12:1-3 Hebrews 12:26-29 Mark 13:1-13

Full reading for week: Ezra 1-6 + Haggai + Zechariah

(Ezra, who lived & wrote later, in ch 1-6 tells history of return from Babylonian Exile & rebuilding the temple. Haggai & Zechariah are prophets writing re: rebuilding temple.)

Or for shorter readings:

Mon Ezra 1, 2:64-70 Exiles return to Holy Land. (read note above)

	Tues	Ezra 4,6	Enemies hinder; finally King Darius orders temple built
temple, future temple	Wed	Haggai 1,2	Rebuild temple! Rebuilt Temple inferior to Solomon's but God promised a glorious
built	Thur	Zechariah 4	Holy Spirit will empower (oil v.12) leaders to get Temple
	Fri	Zech. 8	Great New Testament Church told about using picture language about the Old Testament Temple/Jerusalem
	Sat	Zech. 11	Divided kingdom becomes one in New Testament church of all believers under Shepherd Jesus

Sunday November 19 2<sup>nd</sup> LAST SUNDAY IN THE CHURCH YEAR

Daniel 7:9-10 Hebrews 12:1-2 Mark 13:24-31

Full reading for week: Esther + Psalms 104 & 136

*(Esther takes place after the return from Babylon exile, but Esther remained in Babylon. Esther became queen thru whom God spared the Jews from extermination. God would keep His promise: Savior to be born of this*

*people.*

*Or for shorter readings:*

Mon Esther 2 Jewess Esther is made Xerxes' Queen

Tues Esther 3 Wicked Haman plotted to kill all Jews

Wed Esther 7 Queen Esther pleads for lives of the Jews

*Thanksgiving Day Psalm 104 + 136*

enemies Fri Esther 8 Xerxes edict for Jews to protect selves by killing their

Sat Esther 9 Jews' property & lives are spared; Festival of Purim

Sunday November 26 SUNDAY OF THE FULFILLMENT

(Last Sunday in the Church Year)

Isaiah 51:4-6 Jude 20-25 Mark 13:32-37

Full reading for week: 1 & 2 & 3 John + Jude

*Or for shorter readings:*

Mon 1 John 1

Tues 1 John 3

Wed 1 John 5

Thur 2 John

Fri 3 John

Sat Jude

Sunday Dec 3 1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Jeremiah 33:14-16 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 Luke 21:25-36

Full reading for week: Ezra 7-10 + Nehemiah + Malachi

(Years after the temple had been rebuilt: Ezra 7-10 is priest and Nehemiah governor at Jerusalem. Malachi is the last prophet of the Old Testament (about 400+ B.C.).

*Or for shorter readings:*

God	Mon	Ezra 8	Ezra leads returning exiles to Jerusalem
	Tues	Ezra 9-10	God-forbidden intermarriage; repentance; solution
	Wed	Nehemiah 5	Nehemiah orders compassion upon the poor in Jerusalem
	Wed	Neh. 8	Ezra read God's Word to people, repentance. Celebration of Feast of Booths (Deut. 16:13-15)
	Thur	Neh. 13	More reforms under Nehemiah
	Fri	Malachi 1-2	Worthless offerings & unfaithful lives not acceptable to
Sat	Malachi 3-4	Await the coming of promised Savior with repentant hearts	

Sunday December 10 2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Malachi 3:1-4 Philippians 1:3-11 Luke 3:1-6

Full reading for week: Revelation ch. 1-11

*Revelation has much imagery, symbols, & figurative language in St. John's visions telling of God dealing with Satan; forces of evil, persecution of believers, heaven.*

*Or for shorter readings:*

scrolls	Mon	Rev 1	A vision of Jesus' glory
	Tues	Rev 2-3	Jesus' messages to the 7 churches-- applicable everywhere
	Wed	Rev 5-6	Jesus, the Lamb, praised; He can reveal what is in the
	Thur	Rev 7	Believers in world are in God's care Vision of the saved in heaven
	Fri	Rev 8-9	Believers prayers; trumpets=disasters calling to repentance
	Sat	Rev 10-11	Scroll: sweet Gospel, rejection bitter; praises to God

Sunday December 17 3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Zephaniah 3:14-18a Philippians 4:4-7(8-9) Luke 3:7-18

Full reading for week: Revelation 12 - 22

*Or for shorter readings:*

era	Mon	Rev 12	Imagery: Satan attacking baby Jesus; attacking believers
	Tues	Rev 13-14	Sea & earth beasts=antichristian power & propaganda 144M=all believers (12 apostles x 12 tribes of Is. x 1000)
	Wed	Rev 15-16	Vision of heaven; Judgment upon the unbelievers/wicked
	Thur	Rev 17-18	Attacks upon Christ/Church; Babylon represents the wicked
	Fri	Rev 19-20	Triumph of Christ over evil; 1000 yrs=full New Testament
	Sat	Rev 21-22	Imagery of splendor, joy & bliss in heaven with God

Sunday December 24 4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Micah 5:2-4 Hebrews 10:5-10 Luke 1:39-45(46-55)

Christmas Eve Isaiah 9:2-7 Titus 2:11-14 Luke 2:1-20

Full reading for week: all daily Psalms & Proverbs listed:

*Or for shorter readings: 1<sup>st</sup> Psalm listed for each day*

<i>Christmas Day</i>	Psalm	2	8	98
Tues	Psalm	24	93	148
Wed	Psalm	45	96	97
Thur	Psalm	95	100	147
Fri	Psalm	27	29	11
Sat	Psalm	121	131	90

Sunday December 31 1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

Jeremiah 31:10-13 Hebrews 2:10-18 Luke 2:41-52

*New Year's Eve* Isaiah 51:1-6 Romans 8:31-39 Matthew 1:18-21

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