Year A 2019/2020

Year A focuses on the Gospel of Matthew. 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.

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YEAR A 2019/2020 – Easter

This Church Year Calendar, Propers and Daily Lectionary uses the Revised Common Lectionary as it appears in Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006). Scripture references are from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible. The appointed psalm refrain for Sundays and festivals is from the verse in parentheses.

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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, has been sacrificed.
Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia. (1 Cor. 5:7, 8)

Sunday Apr 12 – Resurrection of Our Lord
Easter Evening

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

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 13
Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21
Psalm 118: 1, 2, 14-24
Colossians 3:5-11

Monday Apr 13 – Resurrection of Our Lord
Easter Monday

These propers may be used for a service on Easter Monday 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

Tue – Apr 14
Exodus 15:1-18
Psalm 118: 1, 2, 14-24
Colossians 3:12-17

Wed – Apr 15
Joshua 3:1-17
Matthew 28:1-10
Psalm 118: 1, 2, 14-24

Thu – Apr 16
Song of Solomon 2:8-15
Colossians 4:2-5
Psalm 16
### Song of Solomon

- **Fri – Apr 17**: 5:9–6:3
- **Sat – Apr 18**: 8:6–7

### 1 Corinthians

- **Fri – Apr 17**: 15:1-11
- **Sat – Apr 18**: 11-20

### Psalm

- **Fri – Apr 17**: 16
- **Sat – Apr 18**: 16

### Sunday Apr 19 - Second Sunday of Easter

#### Readings
- Acts 2:14a, 22-32
- Psalm 16 (11)
- 1 Peter 1:3-9
- John 20:19-31

#### Prayer of the Day
Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ’s blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe. Alleluia. (John 20:29)

### Monday Apr 20

- Judges 6:36-40
- 1 Corinthians 15:12-20
- Psalm 114

### Tuesday Apr 21

- Jonah 1:1-17
- 1 Corinthians 15:19-28
- Psalm 114

### Wednesday Apr 22

- Jonah 2:1-10
- Matthew 12:38-42
- Psalm 114

### Thursday Apr 23

- Isaiah 25:1-5
- 1 Peter 1:8b-12
- Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

### Friday Apr 24

- Isaiah 26:1-4
- 1 Peter 1:13-16
- Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

### Saturday Apr 25

- Isaiah 25:6-9
- Luke 14:12-14
- Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

### Or

#### Friday Apr 25

**Mark, Evangelist**

#### Readings
- Apr 25, 2011
- Isaiah 52:7-10
- Psalm 57 (9)
- 2 Timothy 4:6-11, 18
- Mark 1:1-15

#### Prayer of the Day
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

- White

### Or

**Friday Apr 25**

**Mark, Evangelist**

#### Readings
- Apr 25, 2011
- Isaiah 52:7-10
- Psalm 57 (9)
- 2 Timothy 4:6-11, 18
- Mark 1:1-15

#### Prayer of the Day
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#### Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia. This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses. Alleluia. (Acts 2:32)

### Color

- Scarlet/Red
### Sunday Apr 26 - Third Sunday of Easter

**Readings**
- Acts 2:14a, 36-41
- Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 (13)
- 1 Peter 1:17-23

**Prayer of the Day**
O God, your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, 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)

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**Or**

### Friday 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 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)

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### Sunday May 3 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

**Readings**
- Acts 2:42-47
- Psalm 23 (1)
- 1 Peter 2:19-25
Prayer of the Day
O God our shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of
death. Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared
in your house, 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. Jesus says, I am | the good shepherd.
I know my own and my | own know me. Alleluia. (John 10:14)
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)

Color: Scarlet/Red


Sunday May 17 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

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

Prayer of the Day
Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth 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. 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 18 | Genesis 9:8-17 | Acts 27:39-44 | Psalm 93 |
| Tue – May 19 | Deuteronomy 5:22-33 | 1 Peter 3:8-12 | Psalm 93 |
| Wed – May 20 | Deuteronomy 31:1-13 | John 16:16-24 | Psalm 93 |

Thursday May 21 – Ascension of Our Lord

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

Prayer of the Day
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, | says the Lord;  
I am with you always, to the end | of the age. Alleluia. (Matt. 28:19, 20)

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**Tue – May 26** | Numbers 16:41-50 | 1 Peter 4:7-11 | Psalm 99  
**Wed – May 27** | 1 Kings 8:54-65 | John 3:31-36 | Psalm 99  
**Fri – May 29** | Exodus 19:16-25 | Romans 8:14-17 | Psalm 33:12-22  
**Sat – May 30** | Exodus 20:1-21 | Matthew 5:1-12 | Psalm 33:12-22  

Or

**Saturday May 30**  
**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

Sunday May 31 – Day of Pentecost

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

Prayer of the Day
O God, on this day you open the hearts of your faithful people by sending into us you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of that Spirit, that we may have a right judgment in all things and rejoice at all times in your peace, 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. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts | of your faithful, And kindle in us the fire | of your love. Alleluia.

Color: Red

Mon – June 1
Joel 2:18-29
Romans 8:18-24
Psalm 104:24-34,35b

Or

Monday June 1 – Visit of Mary to Elizabeth (transferred)

Readings
1 Samuel 2:1-10
Psalm 113 (2)
Romans 12:9-16b
Luke 1:39-57

Prayer of the Day
Mighty God, by whose grace Elizabeth rejoiced with Mary and greeted her as the mother of the Lord: look with favor on your lowly servants that, with Mary, we may magnify your holy name and rejoice to acclaim her Son as our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia. My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior. (Luke 1:47)

Color: White

Tue – June 2
Ezekiel 39:7-8, 21-29
Romans 8:26-27
Psalm 104:24-34,35b

Wed – June 3
Numbers 11:24-30
John 7:37-39
Psalm 104:24-34,35b