Year B — 2020/2021

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. 29, 2020 through Dec. 24, 2020

Christmas
Dec. 24, 2020 through Jan. 6, 2021

Time after Epiphany
Jan. 7, 2021 through Feb. 16, 2021

Lent
Feb. 17, 2021 through Mar. 31, 2021

The Three Days
Apr. 1, 2021 through Apr. 3, 2021

Easter
Apr. 4, 2021 through May 26, 2021

Time after Pentecost
May 27, 2021 through Nov. 27, 2021

YEAR B 2020/2021 — Time After Epiphany

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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Sun. Jan. 10 — 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, I the Beloved,*
with whom I am well pleased." Alleluia. (Matt. 3:17)

| Wed — Jan. 13 | Isaiah 41:4-12 | John 1:29-34 | Psalm 69:1-5, 30-36 |

**Sun. Jan. 17 — 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 ! the Messiah:* Jesus Christ, who brings us ! grace and truth. Alleluia. (John 1:41, 17)

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**Mon. Jan. 18 — Confession of Peter**

**Readings**
- 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)

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| Tue — Jan. 19 | 1 Samuel 15:10-31 | Acts 5:1-11 | Psalm 86 |
### Fri — Jan. 22
| Jeremiah 20:7-13 | 2 Peter 3:1-7 | Psalm 62:5-12 |

### Sat — Jan. 23

**Sun. Jan. 24 — Third Sunday after Epiphany (Lectionary 3)**

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

**Prayer of the Day**

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)

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### Mon. Jan. 25
| Genesis 12:1-9 | 1 Corinthians 7:17-24 | Psalm 46 |

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### Mon. Jan. 25 — Conversion of Paul

**Readings**
- Acts 9:1-22
- Psalm 67 (3)
- Galatians 1:11-24

**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)

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### Tue — Jan. 26
### Wed — Jan. 27
| Proverbs 8:1-21 | Mark 3:13-19a | Psalm 46 |
### Thu — Jan. 28
| Deuteronomy 3:23-29 | Romans 9:6-18 | Psalm 111 |
### Fri — Jan. 29
| Deuteronomy 12:28-32 | Revelation 2:12-17 | Psalm 111 |
### Sat — Jan. 30
| Deuteronomy 13:1-5 | Matthew 8:28—9:1 | Psalm 111 |

**Sun. Jan. 31 — Fourth Sunday after Epiphany (Lectionary 4)**

**Readings**
- Deuteronomy 18:15-20
- Psalm 111 (10)
- 1 Corinthians 8:1-13
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)

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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)

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Sun. Feb. 7 — 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 I our diseases. Alleluia. (Matt. 8:17)

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| Mon — Feb. 8 | 2 Kings 4:8-17, 32-37 | Acts 14:1-7 | Psalm 102:12-28 |
| Tue — Feb. 9 | 2 Kings 8:1-6 | Acts 15:36-41 | Psalm 102:12-28 |
| Thu — Feb. 11 | 1 Kings 11:26-40 | 2 Corinthians 2:12-17 | Psalm 50:1-6 |
| Fri — Feb. 12 | 1 Kings 14:1-18 | 1 Timothy 1:12-20 | Psalm 50:1-6 |

**Sun. Feb. 14 — 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)

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