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Bible readings with hymn, drama & dance resources for the Christian Year

Revised Common Lectionary, Year A, 2016-2017



Advent has a double meaning. On one hand, it is a looking forward to the Advent (the coming of God in Jesus Christ) as celebrated in Christmas. As such, Advent is the beginning of the Church year. At the same time, it is also the end of the last Church year. The final several Sundays of the previous Church year contain lections about "end times" and the first Sundays of Advent pick up this same theme, the return of Jesus, or the Second Coming. Advent is a time of expectation, of the first Advent and the Second. Shades of purple are colors usually associated with this season, but blue is also appropriate.

Advent

November 27, 2016, First Sunday in Advent (Purple or Blue)

Isaiah 2:1-5 *God will teach us what to do. Swords to plows.*

(Choreography: UMH 206 *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*)*

UMH 450 Creator of the Earth and Skies • TFWS 2129 I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

ZSS 152 Walking Up the King's Highway

Psalms 122 (UMH 845)

UMH 724 On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand • TFWS 2156 Give Peace

Romans 13:11-14 *Wake up! The Day is almost here. Script: A Wake-Up Call**

UMH 551 Awake, O Sleeper • TFWS 2243 We All Are One in Mission

Matthew 24:36-44 *No one knows the day or the hour.*

UMH 196 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus • TFWS 2086 Open Our Eyes

W&S 3048 View the Present through the Promise

December 4, 2016, Second Sunday in Advent (Purple or Blue)

Isaiah 11:1-10 *The peaceful kingdom. A new king will arise.*

(Choreography: UMH 216 *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*, September-October 2006)

TFWS 2091 The King of Glory Comes

Psalms 72:1-7, 18-19 (UMH 795)

UMH 209 Blessed Be the God of Israel • TFWS 2088 Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

Romans 15:4-13 *Christ, root of Jesse, hope of the Gentiles.*

UMH 548 In Christ There Is No East or West • TFWS 2087 We Will Glorify the King of Kings

W&S 3007 Laudate Dominum

Matthew 3:1-12 *The preaching of John the Baptist. Script: Spinning John*

UMH 210 Toda la Tierra • TFWS 2251 We Were Baptized in Christ Jesus • ZSS 55 Already Here

December 11, 2016, Third Sunday in Advent (Purple or Blue)

Isaiah 35:1-10 *The road of holiness. The desert will rejoice.*

UMH 176 Majesty, Worship His Majesty • TFWS 2284 Joy in the Morning

ZSS 6 What a Mighty God We Serve

Luke 1:47-55 (UMH 199)

UMH 200 Tell Out My Soul • TFWS 2017 Come, Rejoice in God

James 5:7-10 *How to live while you wait for the Day? Patience.*

UMH 534 Be Still, My Soul • TFWS 2211 Faith Is Patience in the Night

(Choreography: W&S 3141 *Holy Darkness*, January-February 2007)

Matthew 11:2-11 *John's Messengers: "Are you the one?"*

UMH 378 Amazing Grace • TFWS 2015 Bless His Holy Name

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December 18, 2016, Fourth Sunday in Advent (Purple or Blue)

Isaiah 7:10-16 *The sign of Emmanuel. God hasn't given up.*

(Choreography: UMH 211 O Come, O Come Emmanuel, September-October 2006)

TFWS 2284 Joy in the Morning

Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19 (UMH 801)

UMH 397 I Need Thee Every Hour • TFWS 2209 How Long, O Lord

Romans 1:1-7 *Promise to David for all through Good News in Jesus.*

UMH 204 Emmanuel, Emmanuel • TFWS 2181 We Need a Faith • W&S 3130 Come, Emmanuel

Matthew 1:18-25 *The birth of Jesus, Immanuel.*

UMH 215 To a Maid Engaged to Joseph • TFWS 2099 Joseph Dearest, Joseph Mine • ZSS 57 Emmanuel

December 24, 2016, Christmas Eve (White or Gold)

Isaiah 9:2-7 *We have seen a great light; a child is born.*

UMH 214 Savior of the Nations, Come • TFWS 2098 The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy

W&S 3059 Love Has Come

Psalm 96 (UMH 815)

UMH 79 Holy God, We Praise Thy Name • TFWS 2016 Glorify Thy Name

Titus 2:11-14 *God has shown grace for all in Christ.*

UMH 184 Of the Father's Love Begotten • TFWS 2092 Like a Child

Luke 2:1-20 *Birth of Jesus; shepherds, angels. Script: What's in a Name?*

(Choreography: UMH 239 Silent Night)

(Choreography: UMH 217 Away In a Manger, November-December 2007)

UMH 220 Angels from the Realms of Glory • TFWS 2093 The Snow Lay on the Ground • ZSS 58 Bethlehem



Christmas

Christmas or Christmastide is the period from Christmas through Epiphany, January 6 (though the Epiphany readings are now often moved to the first Sunday of January). It is the fulfillment of the Advent expectation, at least concerning the first Advent. A combination of impatience and commercial interest have made us begin celebrating Christmas earlier in our culture than does the rhythm of the Christian Year. The color most associated with this season is white.

December 25, 2016, Christmas Day (White or Gold)

Isaiah 52:7-10 *Messenger's feet beautiful. People comforted. Script: The Most Beautiful Christmas Stocking*

UMH 251 Go, Tell it on the Mountain • TFWS 2040 Awesome God

Psalm 98 (UMH 818)

UMH 224 Good Christian Friends, Rejoice • TFWS 2045 Sing a New Song to the Lord

W&S 3015 How Great You Are

Hebrews 1:1-4 (5-12) *Jesus is reflection of God's glory.*

UMH 248 On This Day Earth Shall Ring • TFWS 2128 Come and Find the Quiet Center

John 1:1-14 *The Word became flesh; we have seen his glory. Script: Sing a New Song*

(Choreography: All is Well, Smith & Kirkpatrick, arr. Larson, Hope Publishing, C5351)

UMH 250 Once in Royal David's City • TFWS 2240 One God and Father of Us All

ZSS 45 And the Word Is God

January 1, 2017, Epiphany of the Lord (These scriptures may also be used on January 6) (White or Gold)

Isaiah 60:1-6 *Glory of God's people. All will come to them. Script: Rise!.....and Shine?*

UMH 725 Arise, Shine Out, Your Light Has Come • TFWS 2204 Light of the World

Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14 (UMH 795) (Choreography: UMH 221 In the Bleak Midwinter)

UMH 157 Jesus Shall Reign • TFWS 2070 He Is Exalted • W&S 3124 How Shall I Come Before the Lord

Ephesians 3:1-12 *God's plan shown to Paul: for Gentiles.*

(Choreography: UMH 251 Go, Tell it on the Mountain July-August 2016)

UMH 419 I Am Thine, O Lord • TFWS 2176 Make Me a Servant

Matthew 2:1-12 *The visitors from the east. Script: On the Road Again*

(Choreography: UMH 254 We Three Kings)

TFWS 2094 Carol of the Epiphany • ZSS 64 Epiphany

Key to Resources:

UMH = *The United Methodist Hymnal* ZSS = *Zion Still Sings* TFWS = *The Faith We Sing* W&S = *Worship & Song*

Numbers in parentheses after the Psalm refer to the page number of the Psalter in *The United Methodist Hymnal*, 1989. The lectionary readings are from *The United Methodist Book of Worship*, 1992.

Choreography: Choreographies with dates refer to issues of *WorshipArts*. All choreographies are available at www.UMFellowship.org/Dance

Dramatic Reading: Scriptures formatted for dramatic reading are from the NRSV and available for a small cost on the website of Acting In Faith, www.actinginfaith.com.

Script: Also available at www.actinginfaith.com



After Epiphany

The time between January 6 and Ash Wednesday (from 4 to 9 Sundays) is designated variously as Sundays after Epiphany or Sundays in “ordinary time.” As is true also in the Post-Pentecost time, readings are chosen to be independent and semi-continuous rather than in “thematic harmony.”

January 8, 2017, Baptism of the Lord, First Sunday After the Epiphany (White or Gold)

Isaiah 42:1-9 *Lord's Servant. Bring justice to nations.*

UMH 188 Christ Is the World's Light • TFWS 2130 The Summons

ZSS 218 As You Go, Tell the World

Psalm 29 (UMH 761)

UMH 577 God of Grace and God of Glory • TFWS 2157 Come and Fill Our Hearts

Acts 10:34-43 *Peter's speech before Cornelius is baptized.*

(Choreography: UMH 393 Spirit of the Living God)

TFWS 2083 My Song Is Love Unknown

Matthew 3:13-17 *The baptism of Jesus.*

UMH 252 When Jesus Came to Jordan • TFWS 2248 Baptized in Water

W&S 3165 Take Me to the Water

January 15, 2017, Second Sunday After the Epiphany, Human Relations Day (Green)

Isaiah 49:1-7 *Servant chosen to bring light to nations.*

UMH 568 Christ for the World We Sing • TFWS 2046 Womb of Life

Psalm 40:1-11 (UMH 774) (Choreography: UMH 593 Here I Am, Lord, May-June 2011)

UMH 464 I Will Trust in the Lord • TFWS 2065 More Precious than Silver

W&S 3131 Hear My Prayer, O God

1 Corinthians 1:1-9 *Blessings in Christ: will keep you firm.*

UMH 579 Lord God, Your Love Has Called Us Here

UMH 518 O Thou, in Whose Presence • TFWS 2218 You Are Mine • ZSS 44 Greater

John 1:29-42 *John: "Behold the Lamb of God."* Dramatic Reading

UMH 603 Come, Holy Ghost, Our Hearts Inspire • TFWS 2113 Lamb of God

January 22, 2017, Third Sunday After the Epiphany (Green)

Isaiah 9:1-4 *Those in darkness have seen a great light.*

UMH 440 Let There Be Light • TFWS 2008 Let All Things Now Living • ZSS 8 Almighty

Psalm 27:1, 4-9 (UMH 758)

UMH 385 Let Us Plead for Faith Alone • TFWS 2166 Christ Beside Me

1 Corinthians 1:10-18 *Divisions in the Church. Is Christ divided?*

UMH 435 O God of Every Nation • TFWS 2175 Together We Serve

Matthew 4:12-23 *Jesus' ministry begins, calls the four.* (Choreography: In Love You Summon,

John L. Bell, GIA Publications, G-5285)

UMH 398 Jesus Calls Us • TFWS 2101 Two Fishermen • W&S 3160 We Will Follow

January 29, 2017, Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany (Green)

Micah 6:1-8 *What does Lord require: justice, mercy, piety.*

(Choreography: UMH 87 What Gift Can We Bring) • TFWS 2174 What Does the Lord Require of You

ZSS 211 What Shall I Render?

Psalm 15 (UMH 747)

UMH 417 O For a Heart to Praise My God • TFWS 2219 Goodness Is Stronger than Evil

W&S 3038 Mighty to Save

1 Corinthians 1:18-31 *God chose "foolish" to shame the "wise."*

(Choreography: UMH 451 Be Thou My Vision, January-February 2012)

UMH 504 The Old Rugged Cross • TFWS 2004 Praise the Source of Faith and Learning

Matthew 5:1-12 *Sermon on Mount: the Beatitudes.*

UMH 130 God Will Take Care of You • (Choreography: TFWS 2155 Blest Are They, Sept-Oct 2011)

February 5, 2017, Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany (Green)

Isaiah 58:1-9a (9b-12) *True piety: care for oppressed and poor.*

UMH 729 O Day of Peace That Dimly Shines • TFWS 2131 Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord

Psalm 112:1-10 (UMH 833)

UMH 141 Children of the Heavenly Father • TFWS 2241 The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve

W&S 3162 Stand in Awe

1 Corinthians 2:1-12 (13-16) *God's wisdom hidden to world but clear to us.*

UMH 714 I Know Whom I Have Believed • TFWS 2203 In His Time • ZSS 102 World Without Walls

Matthew 5:13-20 *You are salt and light. The Law.* (Choreography: Keep Your Lamps, May-June 2007)

UMH 585 This Little Light of Mine • TFWS 2204 Light of the World

February 12, 2017, Sixth Sunday After the Epiphany, Scouting Sunday (Green)

Deuteronomy 30:15-20 "I will give you a choice between life and death."

(Choreography: UMH 430 O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee) • TFWS 2068 I Love You, Lord • W&S 3116 Love the Lord

Psalms 119:1-8 (UMH 840)

UMH 410 I Want a Principle Within • TFWS 2242 Walk With Me

1 Corinthians 3:1-9 *We are partners working together for God.*

UMH 558 We Are the Church • TFWS 2223 They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

Matthew 5:21-37 *Teaching about the Law, anger, adultery.*

UMH 562 Jesus, Lord, We Look to Thee • TFWS 2226 Bind Us Together

ZSS 92 There's No Me, There's No You

February 19, 2017, Seventh Sunday After the Epiphany (Green)

Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18 *Ritual and moral holiness. Love neighbor as self.*

UMH 467 Trust and Obey • TFWS 2167 More Like You

Psalms 119:33-40 (UMH 840)

(Choreography: UMH 521 I Want Jesus to Walk with Me) • TFWS 2214 Lead Me, Guide Me

W&S 3073 We Walk His Way

1 Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23 *Jesus is foundation. True wisdom.*

UMH 529 How Firm a Foundation • TFWS 2202 Come Away with Me • ZSS 159 Thy Way, O Lord

Matthew 5:38-48 *Turn the other cheek. Love your enemies.*

UMH 557 Blest Be the Tie That Binds • TFWS 2238 In the Midst of New Dimensions

February 26, 2017, Transfiguration Sunday (White or Gold)

Exodus 24:12-18 *God appears to Moses.*

UMH 173 Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies • TFWS 2102 Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

Psalms 99 (UMH 819)

UMH 157 Jesus Shall Reign • TFWS 2075 King of Kings • W&S 3039 Jesus, the Saving Name

2 Peter 1:16-21 *Not made-up stories. We are eyewitnesses.*

UMH 176 Majesty, Worship His Majesty • TFWS 2060 God, the Sculptor of the Mountains

Matthew 17:1-9 *The Transfiguration. Dramatic Reading*

UMH 260 Christ, Upon the Mountain Peak • TFWS 2103 We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding

ZSS 173 Lead Me, Guide Me



After Epiphany



Lent, the 40 days before Easter (not counting Sundays), begins with Ash Wednesday and runs for six Sundays including Passion/Palm Sunday. Earliest emphasis was upon preparation for baptism and membership. Later emphasis turned toward penitence. Recent practice is to return to discipline and learning in preparation for the Easter celebration. The color purple is traditionally associated with this season.

Lent

March 1, 2017, Ash Wednesday (Purple)

(Choreography: W&S 3098 Dust and Ashes)

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 *Day of Lord is coming. Return, fast, repent.*

UMH 357 Just as I Am, Without One Plea • TFWS 2136 Out of the Depths

W&S 3074 Jesus Is a Rock in a Weary Land

Psalms 51:1-17 (UMH 785) *Script: Blow the Trumpet*

UMH 382 Have Thine Own Way, Lord • TFWS 2147 There Are Some Things I May Not Know

2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10 *Be reconciled to God. Now is the time.*

(Choreography: UMH 560 Help Us Accept Each Other)

UMH 383 This Is a Day of New Beginnings • TFWS 2164 Sanctuary

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21 *Teaching on religious observances, fasting.*

UMH 395 Take Time to Be Holy • TFWS 2159 Jesus, Draw Me Close

ZSS 154 Hold to God's Unchanging Hand

March 5, 2017, First Sunday in Lent (Purple)

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7 *Creation of humans and disobedience.*

UMH 349 Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus • (Choreography: TFWS 2166 Christ Beside Me)

Psalms 32 (UMH 766) *Script: Hold Your Head Up to the Lord*

UMH 391 O Happy Day, That Fixed My Choice • TFWS 2158 Just a Closer Walk with Thee

Romans 5:12-19 *Sin came with Adam. Grace came with Christ.*

UMH 389 Freely, Freely • TFWS 2134 Forgive Us, Lord • W&S 3104 Amazing Grace

Matthew 4:1-11 *The temptation of Jesus. Script: Good vs. Gooder; Dramatic Reading*

UMH 269 Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

TFWS 2105 Jesus, Tempted in the Desert • ZSS 66 Yield Not to Temptation

March 12, 2017, Second Sunday in Lent [Daylight Savings Time begins] (Purple)

Genesis 12:1-4a *God calls Abram.*

UMH 116 The God of Abraham Praise • TFWS 2032 My Life Is in You, Lord

Psalms 121 (UMH 844) (Choreography: I Lift up Mine Eyes to the Hills, January-February 2011)

UMH 523 Saranam, Saranam • TFWS 2197 Lord of All Hopefulness

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17 *Example of Abraham. Promise had through faith.*

UMH 508 Faith, While Trees Are Still in Blossom • TFWS 2196 We Walk by Faith

ZSS 23 A Cause to Celebrate

John 3:1-17 *Nicodemus. God so loved the world.* Script: Nicodemus and Jesus; Dramatic Reading

(Choreography: UMH 301 Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross)

UMH 605 Wash, O God Our Sons and Daughters • TFWS 2251 We Were Baptized in Christ Jesus

W&S 3110 By Grace We Have Been Saved

March 19, 2017, Third Sunday in Lent (Purple)

Exodus 17:1-7 *Complaining of Israel. Water from the rock.* Dramatic Reading

UMH 577 God of Grace and God of Glory • TFWS 2218 You Are Mine

Psalms 95 (UMH 814)

UMH 158 Come, Christians, Join to Sing • TFWS 2074 Shout to the Lord

Romans 5:1-11 *We have been put right with God through Christ.*

(Choreography: UMH 707 Hymn of Promise, January-February 2010) • TFWS 2145 I've Got Peace Like a River

ZSS 174 Center of My Joy

John 4:5-42 *Jesus and the Samaritan woman.* Script: No Refills Needed; Dramatic Reading

UMH 641 Fill My Cup, Lord • TFWS 2250 I've Just Come from the Fountain

W&S 3093 Fill My Cup, Lord

March 26, 2017, Fourth Sunday in Lent, UMCOR Sunday (Purple)

1 Samuel 16:1-13 *Covenant with David. He is anointed king.* Dramatic Reading

UMH 509 Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me • (Choreography: TFWS 2208 Guide My Feet)

Psalms 23 (UMH 754 or 137) (Choreography: Psalm 23, March-April 2008)

UMH 138 The King of Love My Shepherd Is • TFWS 2058 Shepherd Me, O God

Ephesians 5:8-14 *You were in dark; have been brought to light.*

(Choreography: UMH 206 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light)

UMH 551 Awake, O Sleeper, Rise • TFWS 2173 Shine, Jesus, Shine

W&S 3137 Lord Jesus Christ, Your Light Shines

John 9:1-41 *Jesus heals the man born blind.* Dramatic Reading

UMH 262 Heal Me, Hands of Jesus • TFWS 2213 Healer of Our Every Ill • ZSS 119 Heal Me

April 2, 2017, Fifth Sunday in Lent (Purple)

Ezekiel 37:1-14 *Valley of dry bones. Can these bones live?* (Choreography: Dry Bones, January-February 2008)

UMH 420 Breathe on Me, Breath of God • TFWS 2139 Oh, I Know the Lord's Laid His Hands on Me

W&S 3145 Breath of God, Breath of Peace

Psalms 130 (UMH 848)

UMH 516 Canticle of Redemption • TFWS 2136 Out of the Depths

Romans 8:6-11 *Life by nature and life in the Spirit.*

UMH 331 Holy Spirit, Come, Confirm Us • TFWS 2150 Lord, Be Glorified

John 11:1-45 *The raising of Lazarus.* Script: Choosing Life; Dramatic Reading

(Choreography: UMH 261 Lord of the Dance, May-June 2011)

TFWS 2158 Just a Closer Walk with Thee • ZSS 186 I Will Arise

April 9, 2017, Palm/Passion Sunday (Purple, Scarlet or Red)

Liturgy of the Palms **Matthew 21:1-11** *Jesus enters Jerusalem.* (Choreography: UMH 279 Filled with Excitement),

UMH 280 All Glory, Laud, and Honor • TFWS 2109 Hosanna! Hosanna!

W&S 3077 Blessed Is He Who Comes in God's Name

Psalms 118:1-2, 19-29 (UMH 839)

UMH 657 This Is the Day • TFWS 2270 • He Has Made Me Glad

Liturgy of the Passion **Isaiah 50:4-9a** *The Servant: suffer in obedience.*

UMH 142 If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee • TFWS 2275 Kyrie

Psalms 31:9-16 (UMH 764)

UMH 474 Precious Lord, Take My Hand • TFWS 2055 You Are My Hiding Place

Philippians 2:5-11 *Your attitude like Christ: emptied self.*

UMH 168 At the Name of Jesus • TFWS 2071 Jesus, Name above All Names • ZSS 74 Lamb of God

Matthew 26:14-27:66 *Passion reading* (or Matthew 27:11-54) Script: Ears to Hear; Dramatic Reading

UMH 287 O Love Divine, What Hast Thou Done

TFWS 2137 Would I Have Answered When You Called



Lent

April 13, 2017, Holy Thursday (Purple or Red)

Exodus 12:1-4, (5-10), 11-14 *Institution of first Passover.*

UMH 117 O God, Our Help in Ages Past • TFWS 2246 Deep in the Shadows of the Past

Psalms 116:1-4, 12-19 (UMH 837)

UMH 139 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty • TFWS 2002 I Will Call upon the Lord

1 Corinthians 11:23-26 *Institution of the Lord's Supper.* (Choreography: Stay With Me)

UMH 614 For the Bread Which You Have Broken • TFWS 2254 In Remembrance of Me • ZSS 54 He Came Down

John 13:1-17, 31b-35 *Jesus washes disciples' feet. New commandment.* Script: The Table Is Ready

UMH 432 Jesu, Jesu • TFWS 2176 Make Me a Servant • W&S 3122 Christ Has Broken Down the Wall

April 14, 2017, Good Friday (No color)

Isaiah 52:13-53:12 *The last of the Suffering Servant passages.* Scripts: Isaiah's Foretelling and Lifted Up

UMH 165 Hallelujah! What a Savior • TFWS 2083 My Song Is Love Unknown

Psalms 22 (UMH 752)

UMH 351 Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior • TFWS 2180 Why Stand So Far Away, My God?

Hebrews 10:16-25 *God's covenant: laws in hearts, sins forgiven.*

UMH 472 Near to the Heart of God • TFWS 2149 Living for Jesus • W&S 3105 In Christ Alone

John 18:1-19:42 *The Passion narrative.* Script: What If?; Dramatic Reading,

(Choreography: UMH 288 Were You There)

UMH 290 Go to Dark Gethsemane • (Choreography: TFWS 2112 Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley) • ZSS 73 Calvary



Easter

April 16, 2017, Easter Sunday (White or Gold)

Acts 10:34-43 *Peter: They killed him; God raised him.*

UMH 306 The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

TFWS 2114 At the Font We Start Our Journey • W&S 3090 The Easter Song

Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24 (UMH 839)

UMH 662 Stand Up and Bless the Lord

TFWS 2084 Come, Let Us with Our Lord Arise

Colossians 3:1-4 *You are raised to life with Christ. Therefore...*

UMH 303 The Day of Resurrection • TFWS 2161 To Know You More

John 20:1-18 *Mary and empty tomb.* Script: Mistaken Identity; Dramatic Reading,

(Choreography: W&S 3090 Easter Song, Herring/arr. Wilson, Hope Publishing., C5328)

or Matthew 28:1-10 *Mary and empty tomb.* Script: The Resurrection; Dramatic Reading

UMH 302 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today • TFWS 2077 You Alone Are Holy

ZSS 77 Raised, He's Been Raised from the Dead

Easter is the “queen of feasts” and lasts not a day or week but a week of weeks. So all of the Sundays are labeled Sundays OF Easter, not Sundays after Easter. Maundy Thursday and Good Friday are inextricably linked with Easter Day in what is called the Triduum (“trid-jum,” three days). Together, the three days straddle the seasons of Lent and Easter. Easter is a season of great rejoicing which culminates in the Day of Pentecost. Hence, in this season we re-present those central events of our faith: the Crucifixion, the Resurrection, and the gift of the Holy Spirit. The seasonal color is white; gold is also appropriate.

April 23, 2017, Second Sunday of Easter, Festival of God's Creation (White or Gold)

Acts 2:14a, 22-32 *Peter proclaims the Good News about Jesus.*

UMH 312 Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise • TFWS 2272 Holy Ground

Psalms 16 (UMH 748)

UMH 96 Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above • TFWS 2065 More Precious than Silver

1 Peter 1:3-9 *God's raising Christ: given us living hope.*

UMH 508 Faith, While Trees Are Still in Blossom • TFWS 2151 I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me

John 20:19-31 *Appears to disciples and to Thomas.* Script: A Faith Sandwich; Dramatic Reading

UMH 308 Thine Be the Glory • TFWS 2206 Without Seeing You • ZSS 100 Grace Alone

April 30, 2017, Third Sunday of Easter, Native American Ministries Sunday (White or Gold)

Acts 2:14a, 36-41 *Response of people: believed and baptized.*

UMH 610 We Know That Christ Is Raised • TFWS 2252 Come, Be Baptized

Psalms 116:1-4, 12-19 (UMH 837)

UMH 164 Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life • TFWS 2176 Make Me a Servant

1 Peter 1:17-23 *Have confidence in God who raised Christ.*

UMH 378 Amazing Grace • TFWS 2142 Blessed Quietness

ZSS 204 The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power

Luke 24:13-35 *Appearance on the road to Emmaus.* Script: An Unexpected Guest; Dramatic Reading

UMH 454 Open My Eyes, That I May See • TFWS 2269 Come, Share the Lord

W&S 3086 Day of Arising

May 7, 2017, Fourth Sunday of Easter (White or Gold)

Acts 2:42-47 *Their life together.*

UMH 334 Sweet, Sweet Spirit • (Choreography: TFWS 2223 They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love)
ZSS 99 We All Are One in Mission

Psalm 23 (UMH 754 or 137) (Choreography: Psalm 23, March-April 2008)

UMH 138 The King of Love My Shepherd Is • TFWS 2214 Lead Me, Guide Me

1 Peter: 2:19-25 *The example of Christ's suffering.*

UMH 381 Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us • TFWS 2140 Since Jesus Came into My Heart
(Choreography: W&S 3141 Holy Darkness, January-February 2007)

John 10:1-10 *Parables: shepherds and thieves.*

UMH 629 You Satisfy the Hungry Heart • TFWS 2218 You Are Mine

May 14, 2017, Fifth Sunday After Easter, Festival of the Christian Home/Mother's Day (White or Gold)

Acts 7:55-60 *Stephen stoned.*

UMH 534 Be Still, My Soul • TFWS 2216 When We Are Called to Sing Your Praise

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 (UMH 764)

UMH 110 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God • TFWS 2208 Guide My Feet
W&S 3074 Jesus Is a Rock in a Weary Land

1 Peter 2:2-10 *Lord is living stone. You kingdom of priests. Script: The Great LS*

UMH 502 Thy Holy Wings, O Savior • TFWS 2248 Baptized in Water
ZSS 193 Water Flowing Free

John 14:1-14 *Don't worry; I am the way, truth, life.*

UMH 364 Because He Lives • TFWS 2119 Where the Spirit of the Lord Is

May 21, 2017, Sixth Sunday of Easter, Heritage Sunday (White or Gold)

Acts 17:22-31 *Paul's sermon to the Athenians.*

UMH 152 I Sing the Mighty Power of God • TFWS 2027 Now Praise the Hidden God of Love
W&S 3176 Come, Now Is the Time to Worship

Psalm 66:8-20 (UMH 790)

UMH 529 How Firm a Foundation • TFWS 2001 We Sing to You, O God

1 Peter 3:13-22 *Christ died for our sins. Suffer for doing right.*

UMH 502 Thy Holy Wings, O Savior • TFWS 2248 Baptized in Water
ZSS 193 Water Flowing Free

John 14:15-21 *Promise of the Holy Spirit.*

UMH 364 Because He Lives • TFWS 2119 Where the Spirit of the Lord Is

May 25, 2017, Ascension of the Lord (White or Gold)

(These readings may also be used on Sunday, May 28.)

Acts 1:1-11 *Jesus: after Resurrection until his Ascension. Script: Heads Up; Dramatic Reading*

UMH 312 Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise • TFWS 2070 He Is Exalted
ZSS 79 Your Power

Psalm 47 (UMH 781)

UMH 781 Psalm 47 • TFWS 2279 The Trees of the Field

Ephesians 1:15-23 *Paul's prayer. Christ is ruler over all.*

UMH 155 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name • TFWS 2086 Open Our Eyes
W&S 3008 Open the Eyes of My Heart

Luke 24:44-53 *End of Luke. "You are my witnesses. Wait in city."*

UMH 176 Majesty, Worship His Majesty • TFWS 2077 You Alone Are Holy

May 28, 2017, Seventh Sunday of Easter (White or Gold)

Acts 1:6-14 *Account of the Ascension. Disciples pray.*

UMH 541 See How Great a Flame Aspires • TFWS 2123 Loving Spirit
W&S 3087 O Christ, When You Ascended

Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35 (UMH 792)

UMH 66 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven • TFWS 2074 Shout to the Lord

1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11 *Suffer gladly as Christian. Be on the alert.*

UMH 369 Blessed Assurance • TFWS 2131 Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord

John 17:1-11 *Jesus' prayer for his disciples.*

UMH 547 O Church of God, United • TFWS 2150 Lord, Be Glorified
ZSS 36 The Glory Song



Easter

June 4, 2017, Day of Pentecost (Red)

Acts 2:1-21 *Account of Pentecost and descent of Spirit. Script: Out of Control*
(Choreography: Pentecost Scripture Dance) (Choreography: UMH 393 Spirit of the Living God)
(Choreography: Many Gifts, One Spirit [Pote], November-December 2009)
UMH 541 See How Great a Flame Aspires • TFWS 2117 Spirit of God

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b (UMH 826)

UMH 715 Rejoice, the Lord is King • TFWS 2122 She Comes Sailing on the Wind

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

Different gifts from the Spirit. One body.

UMH 114 Many Gifts, One Spirit • TFWS 2243 We All Are One in Mission
ZSS 87 Anointing

John 7:37-39

Thirsty: come, drink; Holy Spirit promised.

UMH 350 Come, All of You • TFWS 2132 You Who Are Thirsty • W&S 3093 Fill My Cup, Lord



Easter

After Pentecost

After Pentecost: We enter now a period when all three readings in the Common Lectionary go their separate directions. Because this period covers half of the year, one might want to experiment to provide some variety in color beyond the recommended green. Perhaps the season might begin with green and move toward warmer colors of brown, yellow, orange as the year progresses. In the last several Sundays the readings begin to speak of "end times," beginning to prepare us for the coming Advent season. And we prepare once more to start the cycle.



June 11, 2017, Trinity Sunday, Peace With Justice Sunday (First Sunday After Pentecost)

 (White or Gold)

Genesis 1:1-2:4a *First story of creation. The seven days. Script: Genesis Rap*

(Choreography: Interpret James Weldon Johnson's poem "God's Trombones")

(Choreography: UMH 145 Morning Has Broken, September-October 2012)

UMH 109 Creating God, Your Fingers Trace • TFWS 2060 God the Sculptor of the Mountains

Psalm 8 (UMH 743)

UMH 115 How Like a Gentle Spirit • TFWS 2023 How Majestic Is Your Name
W&S 3015 How Great You Are

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Final warnings and a trinitarian farewell.

UMH 730 O Day of God, Draw Nigh • TFWS 2169 God, How Can We Forgive
ZSS 89 Koinonia

Matthew 28:16-20

Jesus sends disciples out. In Trinity.

UMH 569 We've a Story to Tell to the Nations • TFWS 2206 Without Seeing You

June 18, 2017, Second Sunday After Pentecost, Father's Day (Green)

Genesis 21:8-21 *Hagar and Ishmael sent away.*

UMH 515 Out of the Depths I Cry to You • TFWS 2089 Wild and Lone the Prophet's Voice
ZSS 128 Your Grace and Mercy

Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17 or Psalm 17 (UMH 749)

UMH 132 All My Hope Is Firmly Grounded • TFWS 2200 O Lord, Hear My Prayer

Romans 6:1b-11

All baptized into Christ raised to new life.

UMH 547 O Church of God, United • TFWS 2220 We Are God's People

Matthew 10:24-39

Don't fear people. Stand in Awe of Christ.

UMH 532 Jesus, Priceless Treasure • TFWS 2244 People Need the Lord • W&S 3116 Love the Lord

June 26, 2017, Third Sunday After Pentecost (Green)

Genesis 18:1-15 *Call of Abraham. Promised a son.*

UMH 139 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty • TFWS 2196 We Walk by Faith

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19 (UMH 837)

UMH 99 My Tribute • TFWS 2031 We Bring the Sacrifices of Praise • TFWS 2068 I Love You, Lord

Matthew 9:35-10:8 (9-23)

Jesus preaches, heals. Sends out the twelve.

UMH 263 When Jesus the Healer Passed Through Galilee • TFWS 2184 Sent Out in Jesus' Name

Romans 5:1-8

Have been put right with God by faith.

UMH 298 (299) When I Survey the Wondrous Cross • UMH 365 Grace Greater than Our Sin
TFWS 2211 Faith Is Patience in the Night

July 2, 2017, Fourth Sunday After Pentecost (Green)

Genesis 22:1-14 *Abraham tested: sacrifice of Isaac. Dramatic Reading*

(Choreography: UMH 593 Here I Am, Lord, May-June 2012)

TFWS 2031 We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise • ZSS 212 Offering

Psalm 13 (UMH 746)

UMH 534 Be Still, My Soul • TFWS 2002 I Will Call upon the Lord

Romans 6:12-23

We were slaves to sin; now of righteousness.

UMH 389 Freely, Freely • TFWS 2219 Goodness Is Stronger than Evil
W&S 3110 By Grace We Have Been Saved

Matthew 10:40-42

To welcome the other is to welcome Jesus.

UMH 425 O Crucified Redeemer • TFWS 2222 The Servant Song

July 9, 2017, Fifth Sunday After Pentecost (Green)

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67 *Finding a wife for Isaac: Rebekah.*

UMH 142 If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee • TFWS 2053 If It Had Not Been for the Lord

Psalms 45:10-17 or 72 (UMH 795)

UMH 177 He Is Lord • TFWS 2018 Honor and Praise

Romans 7:15-25a *The conflict within us. Thank God for Christ!*

UMH 591 Rescue the Perishing • TFWS 2242 Walk with Me • W&S 3097 Depth of Mercy

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30 *Come to me and rest. Take my yoke.*

UMH 337 Only Trust Him • TFWS 2206 Without Seeing You • ZSS 171 Come unto Jesus

July 16, 2017, Sixth Sunday After Pentecost (Green)

Genesis 25:19-34 *Jacob and Esau. Mess of pottage.*

UMH 121 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy • TFWS 2220 We Are God's People

W&S 3122 Christ Has Broken Down the Wall

Psalms 119:105-112 or 25 (UMH 756)

UMH 603 Come, Holy Ghost, Our Hearts Inspire • TFWS 2246 Deep in the Shadows of the Past

Romans 8:1-11 *Live by the Spirit not by our human nature.*

UMH 347 Spirit Song • (Choreography: TFWS 2166 Christ Beside Me)

ZSS 97 How Like a Gentle Spirit

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23 *Parable of the sower and the explanation.*

UMH 596 Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word • TFWS 2182 When God Restored Our Common Life

July 23, 2017, Seventh Sunday After Pentecost (Green)

Genesis 28:10-19a *Jacob's dream at Bethel. Covenant.*

UMH 116 The God of Abraham Praise • TFWS 2049 God Is Here Today

Psalms 139:1-12, 23-24 (UMH 854) (Choreography: You Searched Me, Lord, July-August 2007)

UMH 473 Lead Me, Lord • TFWS 2165 Cry of My Heart • ZSS 1 All Around Me!

Romans 8:12-25 *Since we're God's children, glory in the future.*

UMH 368 My Hope Is Built • TFWS 2197 Lord of All Hopefulness • W&S 3131 Hear My Prayer, O God

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 *Parable of the weeds and the explanation.*

UMH 427 Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life • (Choreography: TFWS 2223 They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love)

July 30, 2017, Eighth Sunday After Pentecost (Green)

Genesis 29:15-28 *Jacob works fourteen years for wives. Dramatic Reading*

UMH 445 Happy the Home When God Is There • TFWS 2183 Unsettled World

Psalms 105:1-11, 45b (UMH 828)

UMH 126 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above • TFWS 2036 Give Thanks • W&S 3041 Praise Him

Romans 8:26-39 *Sustained in weakness. Confidence is in God.*

UMH 406 Canticle of Prayer • TFWS 2120 Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52 *Parable: mustard seed, treasure, pearl, net.*

UMH 275 Thy Kingdom of God • TFWS 2226 Bind Us Together • ZSS 134 God Is

August 6, 2017, Ninth Sunday After Pentecost (Green)

Genesis 32:22-31 *Jacob wrestles at Jabbok River. Dramatic Reading*

UMH 511 Am I a Soldier of the Cross • TFWS 2163 He Who Began a Good Work in You

ZSS 106 We Shall Overcome

Psalms 17:1-7, 15 (UMH 749)

UMH 523 Saranam, Saranam • TFWS 2202 Come Away with Me

Romans 9:1-5 *Paul's pain for his fellow Jews.*

UMH 98 To God Be the Glory • TFWS 2033 Glory to God

Matthew 14:13-21 *Feeding of the five thousand.*

(Choreography: UMH 430 O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee)

UMH 549 Where Charity and Love Prevail • TFWS 2196 We Walk by Faith • W&S 3162 Stand in Awe

August 13, 2017, Tenth Sunday After Pentecost (Green)

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28 *Joseph sold into slavery by brothers. Dramatic Reading*

UMH 129 Give to the Wind Thy Fears • TFWS 2053 If It Had Not Been for the Lord

Psalms 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b (UMH 828)

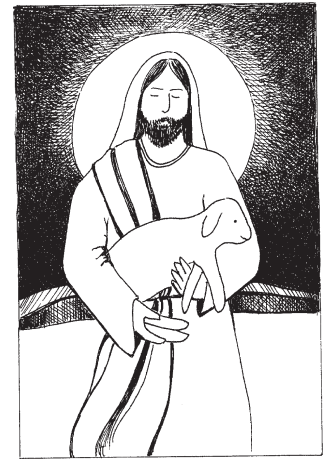
UMH 124 Seek the Lord • TFWS 2003 Praise You

Romans 10:5-15 *Salvation there for all in Christ.*

UMH 394 Something Beautiful • TFWS 2152 Change My Heart, O God • W&S 3104 Amazing Grace

Matthew 14:22-33 *Jesus walks on the water.*

UMH 349 Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus • TFWS 2162 Grace Alone • ZSS 216 If You Say Go



After Pentecost

August 20, 2017, Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost (Green)

Genesis 45:1-15 *Joseph makes self known to his brothers.* (Choreography: TFWS 2208 Guide My Feet)

UMH 128 He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought • TFWS 2208 Guide My Feet

Psalms 133 (UMH 850)

UMH 556 Litany for Christian Unity • TFWS 2224 Make Us One • W&S 3127 I Have a Dream

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32 *God's salvation, for Jew and Gentile.*

UMH 436 The Voice of God Is Calling • TFWS 2137 Would I Have Answered When You Called

Matthew 15:(10-20) 21-28 *What comes out mouth. Foreign woman's faith.*

UMH 508 Faith, While Trees Are Still in Blossom • TFWS 2211 Faith Is Patience in the Night

ZSS 120 Father, I Stretch My Hands to Thee

August 27, 2017, Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost (Green)

Exodus 1:8-2:10 *Israel slave in Egypt. Moses is born.* Dramatic Reading

UMH 447 Our Parent, by Whose Name • TFWS 2189 A Mother Lined a Basket

Psalms 124 (UMH 846)

UMH 127 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah • TFWS 2281 May You Run and Not Be Weary

Romans 12:1-8 *Offer ourselves and our gifts to God.*

(Choreography: UMH 114 Many Gifts, One Spirit, November-December 2009) • TFWS 2228 Sacred the Body • ZSS 212 Offering

Matthew 16:13-20 *"Who do you say I am?" "You are the Christ."* Script: Who Do You Say That I Am?

UMH 545 The Church's One Foundation • TFWS 2190 Bring Forth the Kingdom • W&S 3147 Built on a Rock

September 3, 2017, Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost (Green)

Exodus 3:1-15 *God calls Moses from burning bush.* Dramatic Reading

(Choreography: He is A Mighty Lord, Jay Althouse, Glory Sound: Shawnee Press, A7736)

UMH 371 I Stand Amazed in the Presence • TFWS 2272 Holy Ground • ZSS 103 There's a Spirit of Love in This Place

Psalms 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b (UMH 828)

UMH 374 Standing on the Promises • TFWS 2191 Eternal Father, Strong to Save

Romans 12:9-21 *Exhortation to life in God's service.*

UMH 178 Hope of the World • TFWS 2222 The Servant Song • W&S 3117 Rule of Life

Matthew 16:21-28 *Jesus: about suffering. Cost of discipleship.*

UMH 415 Take Up Thy Cross • TFWS 2153 I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

September 10, 2017, Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost (Green)

Exodus 12:1-14 *Account of the Passover.* (Choreography: Rejoice in the Lord Always)

UMH 682 All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night • TFWS 2170 God Made from One Blood

Psalms 149 or 148 (UMH 861)

UMH 98 To God Be the Glory • TFWS 2011 We Sing of Your Glory

Romans 13:8-14 *Duties of Christians toward one another.*

(Choreography: UMH 206 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light)

UMH 408 The Gift of Love • TFWS 2169 God, How Can We Forgive • W&S 3152 Welcome

Matthew 18:15-20 *Discipline of followers. Where 2 or 3 are, I am.*

UMH 188 Christ Is the World's Light • TFWS 2178 Here Am I • ZSS 71 Nothing Between

September 17, 2017, Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost (Green)

Exodus 14:19-31 *Crossing Red Sea. Songs: Moses, Miriam.*

(Choreography: UMH 134 O Mary, Don't You Weep, Don't You Mourn)

UMH 448 Go Down, Moses • TFWS 2208 Guide My Feet

Exodus 15:1b-11, 20-21 (UMH 135)

UMH 385 Let Us Plead for Faith Alone • TFWS 2162 Grace Alone

Romans 14:1-12 *Welcome the other, do not judge.*

UMH 463 Lord, Speak to Me • TFWS 2207 Lord, Listen to Your Children • W&S 3138 Confession

Matthew 18:21-35 *Parable of the unforgiving servant.* Dramatic Reading

UMH 390 Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive • (Choreography: TFWS 2172 We Are Called) • ZSS 20 I Will Celebrate Medley

September 24, 2017, Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost (Green)

Exodus 16:2-15 *God feeds Israel. Manna and quail.* Dramatic Reading

UMH 439 We Utter Our Cry • TFWS 2126 All Who Hunger • W&S 3169 You Feed Us, Gentle Savior

Psalms 105:1-6, 37-45 or 78 (UMH 799)

UMH 127 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah • TFWS 2184 Sent Out in Jesus' Name

Philippians 1:21-30 *"For me, to live is Christ."*

UMH 579 Lord God, Your Love Has Called Us Here • TFWS 2149 Living for Jesus • ZSS 52 Incredible

Matthew 20:1-16 *Parable of workers in the vineyard.* Script: It's Not Fair!; Dramatic Reading

UMH 550 Christ, from Whom All Blessings Flow • TFWS 2162 Grace Alone



After Pentecost

October 1, 2017, Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost, World Communion Sunday (Green)

Exodus 17:1-7 *God gives them water from the rock.* Dramatic Reading

UMH 505 When Our Confidence Is Shaken • TFWS 2203 In His Time

Psalms 78:1-4, 12-16 (UMH 799)

UMH 454 Open My Eyes, That I May See • TFWS 2086 Open Our Eyes

Philippians 2:1-13 *The greatness of Christ, emptied self.*

(Choreography: Take, O Take Me As I Am, John L. Bell, GIA Publications, G-5285)

UMH 166 All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine • TFWS 2130 The Summons

ZSS 19 I Will Bless Thee, O Lord

Matthew 21:23-32 *Question Jesus' authority. Parable: 2 sons.* Dramatic Reading

UMH 450 Creator of the Earth and Skies • TFWS 2129 I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

W&S 3150 Father, We Have Heard You Calling

October 8, 2017, Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost, Children's Sabbath (Green)

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20 *The Decalogue.* (Choreography: UMH 620 One Bread, One Body)

UMH 427 Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life • TFWS 2134 Forgive Us, Lord

W&S 3117 Rule of Life

Psalms 19 (UMH 750)

UMH 160 Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart • TFWS 2065 More Precious than Silver

Philippians 3:4b-14 *Paul the essential Jew. "I run for the goal."*

UMH 452 My Faith Looks Up to Thee • TFWS 2161 To Know You More

ZSS 175 I'm Determined

Matthew 21:33-46 *Parable of the tenants in the vineyard.*

UMH 428 For the Healing of the Nations • TFWS 2060 God the Sculptor of the Mountains

October 15, 2017, Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost, Laity Sunday (Green)

Exodus 32:1-14 *The Golden Calf.* Dramatic Reading

UMH 121 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy • TFWS 2183 Unsettled World

Psalms 106:1-6, 19-23 (UMH 829)

UMH 555 Forward Through the Ages • TFWS 2219 Goodness Is Stronger than Evil

Philippians 4:1-9 *Instructions for the faithful.*

UMH 715 Rejoice, the Lord Is King • TFWS 2022 Great Is the Lord • W&S 3011 All My Days

Matthew 22:1-14 *Parable of the wedding feast.* (Choreography: Keep Your Lamps, May-June 2007)

UMH 338 Where He Leads Me • TFWS 2172 We Are Called

October 22, 2017, Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost (Green)

Exodus 33:12-23 *God promises to be with Israel.* (Choreography: God is Our Refuge, May-June 2010)

UMH 361 Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me • TFWS 2208 Guide My Feet

Psalms 99 (UMH 819)

UMH 479 Jesus, Lover of My Soul • TFWS 2234 Lead On, O Cloud of Presence

ZSS 153 Holy Is His Name

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 *Thanks for your example. Others admire it.*

UMH 508 Faith, While Trees Are Still in Blossom • TFWS 2193 Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

W&S 3177 Here I Am to Worship

Matthew 22:15-22 *The question about paying taxes.* Script: Whose Money Is It?

UMH 410 I Want a Principle Within • TFWS 2174 What Does the Lord Require of You

October 29, 2017, Twenty-first Sunday After Pentecost (Green)

Deuteronomy 34:1-12 *Moses gives final blessing and dies.*

UMH 524 Beams of Heaven as I Go • TFWS 2192 Freedom Is Coming

Psalms 90:1-6, 13-17 (UMH 789)

UMH 113 Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud • TFWS 2209 How Long, O Lord

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 *Paul's faithfulness as their teacher.*

UMH 558 We Are the Church • TFWS 2226 Bind Us Together • W&S 3149 A Place at the Table

Matthew 22:34-46 *Great Commandment. Questions: Messiah.* Script: Chicken or Egg

UMH 646 Canticle of Love • TFWS 2168 Love the Lord Your God • ZSS 140 If I Can Help Somebody



After Pentecost

November 1, 2017, All Saints' Day (White or Gold)

(These readings may also be used on November 5)

Revelation 7:9-17 *The crowd worshipping around the Throne.*

(Choreography: UMH 711 For All the Saints)

UMH 709 Come, Let Us Join Our Friends Above • TFWS 2283 For All the Saints
W&S 3189 There Is a Higher Throne

Psalm 34:1-10, 22 (UMH 769)

UMH 57 O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing • TFWS 2267 Taste and See

1 John 3:1-3 *We are God's children.*

UMH 419 I Am Thine, O Lord • TFWS 2108 O How He Loves You and Me
ZSS 137 O I Want to See Him

Matthew 5:1-12 *The Beatitudes.* *(Choreography: TFWS 2155 Blest Are They, September-October 2011)*

UMH 731 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken
TFWS 2137 Would I Have Answered When You Called

November 5, 2017, Twenty-second Sunday After Pentecost [Daylight Savings Time ends]

(White or Gold)

Joshua 3:7-17 *Ark and people cross the Jordan on dry ground.*

UMH 724 On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand • TFWS 2235-b We Are Marching

Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37 (UMH 830)

UMH 84 Thank You, Lord • TFWS 2031 We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise

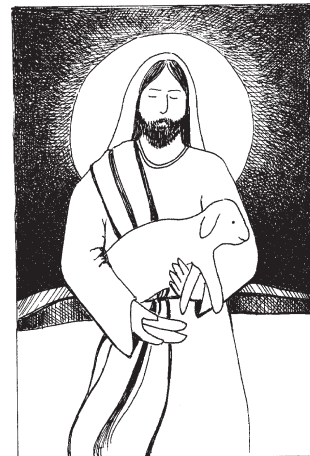
1 Thessalonians 2:9-13 *Thessalonians witness. Paul's work with them.*

UMH 107 La Palabra Del Señor Es Recta • TFWS 2018 Honor and Praise
ZSS 206 Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

Matthew 23:1-12 *Jesus and Pharisees. Do what they do, not say.*

(Choreography: UMH 451 Be Thou My Vision, January-February 2012)

UMH 451 Be Thou My Vision • TFWS 2131 Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord
W&S 3153 O God, in Whom We Live



After Pentecost

November 12, 2017, Twenty-third Sunday After Pentecost,

Organ/Tissue Donor Sunday, Bible Sunday, Int'l Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church (Green)

Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25 *Covenant at Schechem. "Choose this day."* Dramatic Reading

UMH 732 Come, We That Love the Lord • TFWS 2070 He Is Exalted

Psalm 78:1-7 (UMH 799)

UMH 649 How Shall They Hear the Word of God
TFWS 2147 There Are Some Things I May Not Know • W&S 3184 Word of God, Speak

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 *What will happen on the Day of the Lord?*

UMH 553 And Are We Yet Alive • TFWS 2282 I'll Fly Away

Matthew 25:1-13 *Parable of ten girls and oil lamps.*

UMH 720 Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying • TFWS 2284 Joy in the Morning • ZSS 129 Watch Night

November 19, 2017, Twenty-fourth Sunday After Pentecost (Green)

Judges 4:1-7 *Story of Deborah and Barak.*

UMH 411 Dear Lord, Lead Me Day by Day • TFWS 2214 Lead Me, Guide Me

Psalm 123 or Psalm 76 (UMH 797)

UMH 454 Open My Eyes, That I May See • TFWS 2086 Open Our Eyes

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 *Be ready for the Day. Comes unexpectedly.*

UMH 188 Christ Is the World's Light • TFWS 2204 Light of the World • ZSS 136 Soon and Very Soon

Matthew 25:14-30 *Parable of "the Talents."* *(Choreography: Spirit of Love, March-April 2006)*

UMH 732 Come, We That Love the Lord • TFWS 2270 He Has Made Me Glad
ZSS 136 Soon and Very Soon

November 26, 2017, Christ the King/Reign of Christ Sunday (White or Gold)

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 *"I am the shepherd and will care for my sheep."*

UMH 138 The King of Love My Shepherd Is *(Choreography: Psalm 23)*

TFWS 2058 Shepherd Me, O God

Psalm 100 (UMH 821)

UMH 821 Psalm 100 • TFWS 2017 Come, Rejoice in God

Ephesians 1:15-23 *Paul's prayer that they receive the Spirit.*

UMH 324 Hail Thee, Festival Day • TFWS 2086 Open Our Eyes
ZSS 166 Somebody Prayed for Me

Matthew 25:31-46 *Final judgment: When did we see you?* Dramatic Reading

UMH 405 Seek Ye First • TFWS 2178 Here Am I • W&S 3128 Whatever You Do

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