



LECTIONARY & CALENDAR

2006-2007

YEAR C – LUKE

Calendar and Lectionary

Introduction

Calendar

This Calendar shows the dates of the church's festivals in the current year. It also shows dates of other important national, international and ecumenical celebrations and days of remembrance.

Lectionary

The Lectionary is a method by which, over a period of three years, much of the *Bible* is read aloud in Church.

Full coverage requires Bible readings every day of the year. This Lectionary, being oriented towards worship, includes readings for every Sunday and major festivals when they fall during the week. The one exception to this is Holy Week, which is given in full.

This Lectionary and Calendar follows the *Common Lectionary Revised (1992)* produced by the ecumenical liturgical body the Consultation on Common Texts (CCT), and is produced by permission of the CCT as a service to parishes and preachers. Neither the MCNZ nor the PCANZ is responsible for the inclusion or exclusion of any particular reading. No reading is mandatory and inclusion of any particular passage does not necessarily imply its suitability as a theme for worship. Some readings need to be used with particular sensitivity especially in light of, for example, new understandings of gender roles, and the church's relationship with other faiths.

The *Common Lectionary Revised (1992)* represents a significant revision of the *Common Lectionary*, taking into account concerns about too few narrative stories from the First Testament and too few stories about the role of women in sacred history. Other changes give improved continuity of readings and do better justice to the literary and historical integrity of the Psalms.

Broadly speaking, each year is ordered according to the liturgical year, observing the church seasons such as Christmas, Easter and Pentecost.

Advent	The season of preparation which begins on the fourth Sunday before Christmas and in which the church recalls its hope and expectancy in the comings of Christ, past, present and future.
Christmas	The Christmas-Epiphany season includes Christmas Day and the twelve following days of Christmas. Recalling the stories of the birth and infancy of Christ, the church celebrates the wonder of the incarnation.
Epiphany	The period of several weeks in which the church reflects on the manifestation of Christ to all peoples.
Lent	The season of preparation and discipline, which begins on Ash Wednesday and concludes at sun-down on Holy Saturday. During the forty weekdays and six Sundays in Lent, the church remembers the life and ministry of Jesus and renews its commitment to Christian discipleship.
Easter	The Great Fifty Days of the Easter-Pentecost season include eight Sundays. Beginning on Easter Day and concluding on the Day of Pentecost, this season celebrates the resurrection and ascension of Christ and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.
Pentecost	The period during which the church recalls its faith in God the Holy Trinity and seeks to relate its faith as the people of God to Christ's mission to the world.
Ordinary Readings	Year A in the three year cycle of readings is referred to as "The Year of Matthew", Year B "Mark", and Year C "Luke". Readings from John's Gospel are included mainly in Lent and Easter. Generally, the Gospel reading sets the theme for the day. The other three readings are chosen to complement the Gospel reading in a variety of ways. Sometimes a 'harmony of theme' is followed; sometimes one reading is a 'comment' or meditation upon another. At other times readings appear because of the eucharistic nature of Sunday worship or to maintain a semi-continuous reading of a long passage.

Additional Readings

Dates shown with an asterisk (*) alongside denote special occasions, which are listed at the back of the Lectionary. Preachers are encouraged to read and make use of parallel passages alongside the given Gospel reading, where they occur.

Terminology

In keeping with modern understandings of Scripture and sensitivity to other traditions, readers in church are encouraged to refer to the first main section of the Bible as the First Testament, or the first reading rather than the Old Testament.

Liturgical Colours

These apply to church decorations and the vestments of worship leaders during the church year. The Lectionary shows the basic pattern, although practices vary slightly from place to place.

Abbreviations are:

V = violet or purple (preparation; Advent and Lent)

W = white (light, joy; Christmas, Easter, infant baptism, weddings)

R = red (fire, Spirit; Pentecost, ordination, induction, sometimes adult baptism, and for the funeral of a 'saint' of the Church)

G = green (growth; 'ordinary' days from Pentecost to Advent)

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Abbreviations and versification are according to the New RSV.

Verse references in brackets indicate optional, extended readings.

Date	Clr	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel
2006					
ADVENT					
December 3 Advent 1	V	Jer 33: 14-16	Ps 25: 1-10	1 Thes 3: 9-13	Lk 21: 25-36
December 10 Advent 2	V	Bar 5: 1-9 or Mal 3: 1-4	Lk 1: 68-79	Phil 1: 3-11	Lk 3: 1-6
December 17 Advent 3	V	Zeph 3: 14-20	Is 12: 2-6	Phil 4: 4-7	Lk 3: 7-18
December 24 Advent 4	V	Mic 5: 2-5a	Ps 80: 1-7	Heb 10: 5-10	Lk 1: 39-45, (46-55)
CHRISTMAS					
December 24 Christmas Eve	W	Is 9: 2-7	Ps 96	Titus 2: 11-14	Lk 2:1-14, (15-20)
December 25 Christmas Dawn	W	Is 62: 6-12	Ps 97	Titus 3: 4-7	Lk 2: (1-7), 8-20
December 25 Christmas Day	W	Is 52: 7-10	Ps 98	Heb 1: 1-4, (5-12)	Jn 1: 1-14
December 31 Christmas 1	W	1 Sam 2: 18-20, 26	Ps 148	Col 3: 12-17	Lk 2: 41-52
2007					
EPIPHANY					
January 6 Epiphany ¹ [see footnote]	W	Is 60: 1-6	Ps 72: 1-7, 10-14	Eph 3: 1-12	Mt 2: 1-12
January 7 Epiphany 1 (Baptism of Jesus)	W	Is 43: 1-7	Ps 29	Acts 8: 14-17	Lk 3: 15-17, 21-22

¹ According to the *Common Lectionary Revised* Epiphany may be celebrated on the date shown or on the first Sunday in January

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January 14 Epiphany 2	G	Is 62: 1-5	Ps 36: 5-10	1 Cor 12: 1-11	Jn 2: 1-11
January 21 Epiphany 3	G	Neh 8: 1-3, 5-6, 8-10	Ps 19	1 Cor 12: 12-31a	Lk 4: 14-21
January 28 Epiphany 4	G	Jer 1: 4-10	Ps 71: 1-6	1Cor 13: 1-13	Lk 4: 21-30
February 4 * Epiphany 5	G	Is 6: 1-8, (9-13)	Ps 138	1 Cor 15: 1-11	Lk 5: 1-11
February 11 Epiphany 6	G	Jer 17: 5-10	Ps 1	1 Cor 15: 12-20	Lk 6: 17-26
February 18 Epiphany 7 <i>or</i> Transfiguration	G <i>or</i> W	Gen 45: 3-11, 15 <i>or</i> Ex 34: 29-35	Ps 37: 1-11, 39-40 <i>or</i> Ps 99	1 Cor 15: 35-38, 42-50 <i>or</i> 2 Cor 3: 12 – 4: 2	Lk 6: 27-38 <i>or</i> Lk 9: 28-36, (37-43)
LENT					
February 21 Ash Wednesday	V	Joel 2: 1-2, 12-17 <i>or</i> Is 58: 1-12	Ps 51: 1-17	2 Cor 5: 20b – 6: 10	Mt 6: 1-6, 16-21
February 25 Lent 1	V	Deut 26: 1-11	Ps 91: 1-2, 9-16	Rom 10: 8b-13	Lk 4: 1-13
March 4 Lent 2	V	Gen 15: 1-12, 17-18	Ps 27	Phil 3: 17 – 4: 1	Lk 13: 31-35
March 11 Lent 3	V	Is 55: 1-9	Ps 63: 1-8	1 Cor 10: 1-13	Lk 13: 1-9
March 18 Lent 4	V	Josh 5: 9-12	Ps 32	2 Cor 5: 16-21	Lk 15: 1-3, 11-32
March 25 Lent 5	V	Is 43: 16-21	Ps 126 <i>or</i> Ps 119: 9-16	Phil 3: 4b-14	Jn 12: 1-8

Date	Clr	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel
April 1 Lent 6 Palm Sunday or Passion Sunday	V	None or Is 50: 4-9	Ps 118: 1-2, 19-29 or Ps 31: 9-16	None or Phil 2: 5-11	<i>Palm</i> Lk 19: 28-40 or Jn 12:12-16 <i>Passion</i> Lk 22: 14 – 23: 56 or Lk 23: 1-49
HOLY WEEK					
April 2 Monday	V	Is 42: 1-9	Ps 36: 5-11	Heb 9: 11-15	Jn 12: 1-11
April 3 Tuesday	V	Is 49: 1-7	Ps 71: 1-14	1 Cor 1: 18-31	Jn 12: 20-36
April 4 Wednesday	V	Is 50: 4-9a	Ps 70	Heb 12: 1-3	Jn 13: 21-32
April 5 Maundy Thursday	V	Ex 12: 1-4, (5-10), 11-14	Ps 116: 1-2, 12-19	1 Cor 11: 23-26	Jn 13: 1-17, 31b-35
April 6 Good Friday	V	Is 52: 13 – 53: 12	Ps 22	Heb 10: 16-25 or Heb 4: 14-16, 5: 7-9	Jn 18: 1 – 19: 42
April 7 Holy Saturday	V	Job 14:1-14 or Lam 3: 1-9, 19-24	Ps 31: 1-4, 15-16	1 Peter 4: 1-8	Mt 27: 57-66 or Jn 19: 38-42
EASTER					
April 8 Easter Dawn	W	Ex 14: 10-31, 15: 20-21	Ps 114	Rom 6: 3-11	Lk 24: 1-12
April 8 Easter Day	W	Acts 10: 34-43 or Is 65: 17-25	Ps 118: 1-2, 14-24	1 Cor 15: 19-26 or Acts 10: 34-43	Jn 20: 1-18 or Lk 24: 1-12
April 15 Easter 2	W	Acts 5: 27-32	Ps 188: 14-29 or Ps 150	Rev 1: 4-8	Jn 20: 19-31
April 22* Easter 3	W	Acts 9: 1-6, (7-20)	Ps 30	Rev 5: 11-14	Jn 21: 1-19
April 29* Easter 4	W	Acts 9: 36-43	Ps 23	Rev 7: 9-17	Jn 10: 22-30

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May 6* Easter 5	W	Acts 11: 1-18	Ps 148	Rev 21: 1-6	Jn 13: 31-35
May 13 Easter 6	W	Acts 16: 9-15	Ps 67	Rev 21: 10, 22 – 22: 5	Jn 14: 23- 29 <i>or</i> Jn 5: 1-9
May 17 Ascension ² [see footnote]	W	Acts 1: 1-11	Ps 47 <i>or</i> Ps 93	Eph 1: 15-23	Lk 24: 44-53
May 20* Easter 7	W	Acts 16: 16-34	Ps 97	Rev 22: 12-14, 16- 17, 20-21	Jn 17: 20-26
PENTECOST					
May 27 Pentecost	R	Gen 11: 1-9	Ps 104: 24-34, 35b	Acts 2: 1-21	Jn 14: 8-17 (25-27)
June 3 Trinity	W	Prov 8: 1-4, 22-31	Ps 8	Rom 5: 1-5	Jn 16: 12-15
June 10 Pentecost 2	G	1 Kgs 17: 8-16, (17- 24)	Ps 46	Gal 1: 11-24	Lk 7: 11-17
June 17 Pentecost 3	G	1 Kgs 21: 1-10, (11- 14), 15-21a	Ps 5: 1-8	Gal 2: 15-21	Lk 7: 36 – 8: 3
June 24 Pentecost 4	G	1 Kgs 19: 1-4, (5-7), 8-15a	Ps 42 & 43	Gal 3: 23-29	Lk 8: 26-39
July 1 Pentecost 5	G	2 Kgs 2: 1-2, 6-14	Ps 77: 1-2, 11-20	Gal 5: 1, 13-25	Lk 9: 51-62
July 8* Pentecost 6	G	2 Kgs 5: 1-14	Ps 30	Gal 6: (1-6), 7-16	Lk 10: 1-11, 16-20
July 15 Pentecost 7	G	Amos 7: 7-17	Ps 82	Col 1: 1-14	Lk 10: 25-37
July 22* Pentecost 8	G	Amos 8: 1-12	Ps 52	Col 1: 15-28	Lk 10: 38-42
July 29 Pentecost 9	G	Hos 1: 2-10	Ps 85	Col 2: 6-15, (16-19)	Lk 11: 1-13
August 5 Pentecost 10	G	Hos 11: 1-11	Ps 107: 1-9, 43	Col 3: 1-11	Lk 12: 13-21

² According to the *Common Lectionary Revised* Ascension may be celebrated on the date shown or on Easter 7.

Date	Clr	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel
August 12* Pentecost 11	G	Is 1: 1, 10-20	Ps 50: 1-8, 22-23	Heb 11: 1-3, 8-16	Lk 12: 32-40
August 19* Pentecost 12	G	Is 5: 1-7	Ps 80: 1-2, 8-19	Heb 11: 29 – 12: 2	Lk 12: 49-56
August 26* Pentecost 13	G	Jer 1: 4-10	Ps 71: 1-6	Heb 12: 18-29	Lk 13: 10-17
September 2 Pentecost 14	G	Jer 2: 4-13	Ps 81: 1, 10-16	Heb 13: 1-8, 15-16	Lk 14: 1, 7-14
September 9* Pentecost 15	G	Jer 18: 1-11	Ps 139: 1-6, 13-18	Philemon 1-21	Lk 14: 25-33
September 16 Pentecost 16	G	Jer 4: 11- 12, 22-28	Ps 14	1 Tim 1: 12-17	Lk 15: 1-10
September 23* Pentecost 17	G	Jer 8: 18 – 9: 1	Ps 79: 1-9	1 Tim 2: 1-7	Lk 16: 1-13
September 30* Pentecost 18	G	Jer 32: 1- 3a, 6-15	Ps 91: 1-6, 14-16	1 Tim 6: 6-19	Lk 16: 19-31
October 7* Pentecost 19	G	Lam 1: 1-6	Ps 37: 1-9 or Ps 137	2 Tim 1: 1-14	Lk 17: 5-10
October 14* Pentecost 20	G	Jer 29: 1, 4-7	Ps 66: 1-12	2 Tim 2: 8-15	Lk 17: 11-19
October 21* Pentecost 21	G	Jer 31: 27-34	Ps 119: 97-104	2 Tim 3: 14 – 4: 5	Lk 18: 1-8
October 28 Pentecost 22	G	Joel 2: 23-32	Ps 65	2 Tim 4: 6-8, 16-18	Lk 18: 9-14
November 1 All Saints ³ [see footnote]	W	Dan 7: 1-3, 15-18	Ps 149	Eph 1: 11-23	Lk 6: 20-31
November 4 Pentecost 23	G	Hab 1: 1-4, 2: 1-4	Ps 119: 137-144	2 Thes 1: 1-4, 11-12	Lk 19: 1-10

³ According to the *Common Lectionary Revised* All Saints may be celebrated on the date shown or on the first Sunday in November

Date	Clr	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel
November 11 Pentecost 24	G	Haggai 1: 15b – 2:9	Ps 145: 1-5, 17-21, or Ps 98	2 Thes 2: 1-5, 13-17	Lk 20: 27-38
November 18 Pentecost 25	G	Is 65: 17-25	Is 12	2 Thes 3: 6-13	Lk 21: 5-19
November 25 Reign of Christ	W	Jer 23: 1-6	Lk 1: 68-79	Col 1: 11-20	Lk 23: 33-43

Additional Readings

Date	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel
Watchnight or End of Year Service	Eccl 3: 1-15	Ps 90	1 Thes 5: 1-11	Mt 24: 32-51
New Year's Service	Eccl 3: 1-13	Ps 8	Rev 21: 1-6a	Mt 25: 31-46
First full week of the year (Monday to Saturday) – Tongan and Samoan Methodists hold meetings for prayer morning and evening in preparation for the coming year.				
Covenant Sunday	Jer 31: 31-33 <i>or</i> Deut 7: 7-11	Ps 25: 4-15	Rom 12: 1-2	Jn 15:1-8
Waitangi Day – or Sunday nearest 6th Feb	Deut 10: 12-21	Ps 144: 9-15	1 Cor 1: 26-31	Mt 6: 19-24
World Day of Prayer – 1st Friday in March				
Anzac Day – or Sunday nearest 25th April:	Is 52: 7-12	Ps 76	Eph 6: 10-20	Lk 6: 27-36
Faka-Me – 1st Sunday in May: Special Sunday for Tongan children and youth.				
Home and Family Sunday – 2nd Sunday in May (Mother's Day)	Is 66: 10-13	Ps 84: 1-4	1 Jn 4: 7-12, 20-21	Lk 2: 40-52
Wesley Day – Sunday preceding/on 24 May	Is 12: 1-6	Ps 130	2 Peter 1: 1-11	Mt 9: 35 – 10:16
Asia Sunday – Sunday before Pentecost:				
World Refugee Day – June 20 (or the Sunday immediately after)				
Bible Sunday – 3rd Sunday in July (Worship and Christian Education resources available annually from the Bible Society)				
Maori Language Week – begins Monday of the 4th week in July				

Date	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel
Hiroshima Day (August 6) or Peace Sunday (Sunday nearest Aug 6)	Micah 4: 1-4	Ps 85	2 Cor 5: 16-20	Jn 20: 19-21 or Mt 5: 1-12
Lay Preachers' Sunday – 2nd Sunday in August				
Youth Sunday – 3rd or 4th Sunday in August				
Samoaan Fathers' Day – 1st Sunday in September				
Citizenship Sunday – 4th Sunday in September.				
World Communion Sunday – 1st Sunday in October:	Jer 1: 4-10	Ps 96	1 Peter 2: 4-10	Mt 28: 16-20
White Sunday – 2nd Sunday in October: Special Sunday for Samoaan children and youth.				
Week of Prayer for World Peace – 3rd to 4th Sunday in October.				
Industrial Sunday – Sunday preceding Labour Day (4th Monday in October). In Methodist Churches the "Social Principles" may be read.				
Reformers of the Church – October 31 (or Sunday nearest)	Amos 5: 14-24	Ps 106: 1-12	1 Peter 2: 1-10	Lk 6: 46-49
Spring or Flower Services	Gen 1: 1-5, 11-13	Ps 104	1 Cor 3: 1-9	Mt 13: 24-30
Harvest Thanksgiving	Deut 26: 1-11	Ps 126	Gal 6: 6-10	Mt 13: 1-13, 18-23
Dedication of Buildings	Is 56: 1-7	Ps 150	Heb 10: 19-25	Mt 21: 12-16
Church Anniversary	Ex 13: 3-10	Ps 84	1 Peter 2: 1-5	Mt 21: 12-16
Members' Sunday	Joshua 24: 1-24	Ps 105: 1-11	1 Cor 12: 12-27	Mt 22: 1-14
Induction Service	Is 40: 1-9	Ps 96	2 Tim 1: 8-14	Mt 9: 35-38
Vocations Sunday	Jer 1: 1-10	Ps 139: 1-18, 23-24	1 Cor 12: 4-13	Mk 10: 35-45

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