

# YEAR A 2026 CHURCH YEAR CALENDAR



| SUNDAYS AND PRINCIPAL FESTIVALS |                                                 | FIRST READING                       | PSALM                           | SECOND READING                        | GOSPEL                               | HYMN OF THE DAY                       |         |                             |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------|-----------------------------|
| Nov 30, '25                     | 1 Advent                                        | Isa 2:1-5                           | Ps 122                          | Rom 13:11-14                          | Matt 24:36-44                        | Wake, awake, for night is flying      | 436     | ADVENT                      |
| Dec 7                           | 2 Advent                                        | Isa 11:1-10                         | Ps 72:1-7, 18-19                | Rom 15:4-13                           | Matt 3:1-12                          | On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry    | 249     |                             |
| Dec 14                          | 3 Advent                                        | Isa 35:1-10                         | Ps 146:5-10<br>or Luke 1:46b-55 | James 5:7-10                          | Matt 11:2-11                         | Prepare the royal highway             | 264     |                             |
| Dec 21                          | 4 Advent                                        | Isa 7:10-16                         | Ps 80:1-7, 17-19                | Rom 1:1-7                             | Matt 1:18-25                         | Savior of the nations, come           | 263     | CHRISTMAS                   |
| Dec 24                          | Christmas Eve                                   | Isa 9:2-7                           | Ps 96                           | Titus 2:11-14                         | Luke 2:1-14 [15-20]                  | From heaven above                     | 268     |                             |
| Dec 25                          | Christmas Day II                                | Isa 62:6-12                         | Ps 97                           | Titus 3:4-7                           | Luke 2:[1-7] 8-20                    | Go tell it on the mountain            | 290     |                             |
|                                 | Christmas Day III                               | Isa 52:7-10                         | Ps 98                           | Heb 1:1-4 [5-12]                      | John 1:1-14                          | Of the Father's love begotten         | 295     |                             |
| Dec 28                          | 1 Christmas                                     | Isa 63:7-9                          | Ps 148                          | Heb 2:10-18                           | Matt 2:13-23                         | What child is this                    | 296     |                             |
| Jan 4, '26                      | 2 Christmas                                     | Jer 31:7-14<br>or Sir 24:1-12       | Ps 147:12-20<br>or Wis 10:15-21 | Eph 1:3-14                            | John 1:[1-9] 10-18                   | Word of God, come down on earth       | 510     | TIME AFTER EPIPHANY         |
| Jan 6                           | Epiphany of Our Lord                            | Isa 60:1-6                          | Ps 72:1-7, 10-14                | Eph 3:1-12                            | Matt 2:1-12                          | As with gladness men of old           | 302     |                             |
| Jan 11                          | Baptism of Our Lord                             | Isa 42:1-9                          | Ps 29                           | Acts 10:34-43                         | Matt 3:13-17                         | I bind unto myself today              | 450     |                             |
| Jan 18                          | 2 Epiphany                                      | Isa 49:1-7                          | Ps 40:1-11                      | 1 Cor 1:1-9                           | John 1:29-42                         | Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult       | 696     |                             |
| Jan 25                          | 3 Epiphany                                      | Isa 9:1-4                           | Ps 27:1, 4-9                    | 1 Cor 1:10-18                         | Matt 4:12-23                         | Come, beloved of the Maker            | 306     |                             |
| Feb 1                           | 4 Epiphany                                      | Micah 6:1-8                         | Ps 15                           | 1 Cor 1:18-31                         | Matt 5:1-12                          | Let streams of living justice         | 710     | LENT                        |
| Feb 8                           | 5 Epiphany                                      | Isa 58:1-9a [9b-12]                 | Ps 112:1-9 [10]                 | 1 Cor 2:1-12 [13-16]                  | Matt 5:13-20                         | This little light of mine             | 677     |                             |
| Feb 15                          | Transfiguration of Our Lord                     | Exod 24:12-18                       | Ps 2 or Ps 99                   | 2 Peter 1:16-21                       | Matt 17:1-9                          | Jesus on the mountain peak            | 317     |                             |
| Feb 18                          | Ash Wednesday                                   | Joel 2:1-2, 12-17<br>or Isa 58:1-12 | Ps 51:1-17                      | 2 Cor 5:20b-6:10                      | Matt 6:1-6, 16-21                    | Savior, when in dust to you           | 601     |                             |
| Feb 22                          | 1 Lent                                          | Gen 2:15-17; 3:1-7                  | Ps 32                           | Rom 5:12-19                           | Matt 4:1-11                          | A mighty fortress is our God          | 503-505 |                             |
| Mar 1                           | 2 Lent                                          | Gen 12:1-4a                         | Ps 121                          | Rom 4:1-5, 13-17                      | John 3:1-17                          | God loved the world                   | 323     | HOLY WEEK THREE DAYS EASTER |
| Mar 8                           | 3 Lent                                          | Exod 17:1-7                         | Ps 95                           | Rom 5:1-11                            | John 4:5-42                          | I heard the voice of Jesus say        | 332/611 |                             |
| Mar 15                          | 4 Lent                                          | 1 Sam 16:1-13                       | Ps 23                           | Eph 5:8-14                            | John 9:1-41                          | Amazing grace, how sweet the sound    | 779     |                             |
| Mar 22                          | 5 Lent                                          | Ezek 37:1-14                        | Ps 130                          | Rom 8:6-11                            | John 11:1-45                         | Lord, thee I love with all my heart   | 750     |                             |
| Mar 29                          | Passion/Palm Sunday<br>Color: Scarlet or Purple | Isa 50:4-9a                         | Ps 31:9-16                      | Phil 2:5-11                           | Matt 26:14-27:66<br>or Matt 27:11-54 | Ride on, ride on in majesty           | 346     |                             |
| Apr 2                           | Maundy Thursday<br>Color: Scarlet or White      | Exod 12:1-4 [5-10]<br>11-14         | Ps 116:1-2, 12-19               | 1 Cor 11:23-26                        | John 13:1-17, 31b-35                 | Lord, who the night you were betrayed | 463     |                             |
| Apr 3                           | Good Friday<br>Color: None; altar is stripped   | Isa 52:13-53:12                     | Ps 22                           | Heb 10:16-25<br>or Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9 | John 18:1-19:42                      | O sacred head, now wounded            | 351/352 |                             |
| Apr 4                           | Easter Vigil*                                   |                                     |                                 | Rom 6:3-11                            | John 20:1-18                         | We know that Christ is raised         | 449     |                             |
| Apr 5                           | Easter Day                                      | Acts 10:34-43<br>or Jer 31:1-6      | Ps 118:1-2, 14-24               | Col 3:1-4<br>or Acts 10:34-43         | Matt 28:1-10<br>or John 20:1-18      | Hail thee, festival day!              | 394     |                             |
| Apr 12                          | 2 Easter                                        | Acts 2:14a, 22-32                   | Ps 16                           | 1 Peter 1:3-9                         | John 20:19-31                        | The risen Christ                      | 390     |                             |
| Apr 19                          | 3 Easter                                        | Acts 2:14a, 36-41                   | Ps 116:1-4, 12-19               | 1 Peter 1:17-23                       | Luke 24:13-35                        | Day of arising                        | 374     |                             |
| Apr 26                          | 4 Easter                                        | Acts 2:42-47                        | Ps 23                           | 1 Peter 2:19-25                       | John 10:1-10                         | Have no fear, little flock            | 764     |                             |
| May 3                           | 5 Easter                                        | Acts 7:55-60                        | Ps 31:1-5, 15-16                | 1 Peter 2:2-10                        | John 14:1-14                         | Come, my way, my truth, my life       | 816     |                             |
| May 10                          | 6 Easter                                        | Acts 17:22-31                       | Ps 66:8-20                      | 1 Peter 3:13-22                       | John 14:15-21                        | Dear Christians, one and all, rejoice | 594     |                             |

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| May 14                          | <i>Ascension of Our Lord</i>      | <i>Acts 1:1-11</i>                              | <i>Ps 47 or Ps 93</i>                 | <i>Eph 1:15-23</i>                             | <i>Luke 24:44-53</i>                           | <i>Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendor</i>      | 475     |
| May 17                          | 7 Easter                          | <i>Acts 1:6-14</i>                              | <i>Ps 68:1-10, 32-35</i>              | <i>1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11</i>                 | <i>John 17:1-11</i>                            | <i>Like the murmur of the dove's song</i>        | 403     |
| May 24                          | Day of Pentecost                  | <i>Acts 2:1-21</i><br><i>or Num 11:24-30</i>    | <i>Ps 104:24-34, 35b</i>              | <i>1 Cor 12:3b-13</i><br><i>or Acts 2:1-21</i> | <i>John 20:19-23</i><br><i>or John 7:37-39</i> | <i>Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord</i>            | 395     |
| May 31                          | The Holy Trinity                  | <i>Gen 1:1—2:4a</i>                             | <i>Ps 8</i>                           | <i>2 Cor 13:11-13</i>                          | <i>Matt 28:16-20</i>                           | <i>Come, join the dance of Trinity</i>           | 412     |
| Jun 7                           | Lectionary 10 (Pent 2)            | <i>Hosea 5:15—6:6</i>                           | <i>Ps 50:7-15</i>                     | <i>Rom 4:13-25</i>                             | <i>Matt 9:9-13, 18-26</i>                      | <i>There's a wideness in God's mercy</i>         | 587     |
| Jun 14                          | Lectionary 11 (Pent 3)            | <i>Exod 19:2-8a</i>                             | <i>Ps 100</i>                         | <i>Rom 5:1-8</i>                               | <i>Matt 9:35—10:8 [9-23]</i>                   | <i>Lord, you give the great commission</i>       | 579     |
| Jun 21                          | Lectionary 12 (Pent 4)            | <i>Jer 20:7-13</i>                              | <i>Ps 69:7-10 [11-15] 16-18</i>       | <i>Rom 6:1b-11</i>                             | <i>Matt 10:24-39</i>                           | <i>O God, my faithful God</i>                    | 806     |
| Jun 28                          | Lectionary 13 (Pent 5)            | <i>Jer 28:5-9</i>                               | <i>Ps 89:1-4, 15-18</i>               | <i>Rom 6:12-23</i>                             | <i>Matt 10:40-42</i>                           | <i>Oh, praise the gracious power</i>             | 651     |
| Jul 5                           | Lectionary 14 (Pent 6)            | <i>Zech 9:9-12</i>                              | <i>Ps 145:8-14</i>                    | <i>Rom 7:15-25a</i>                            | <i>Matt 11:16-19, 25-30</i>                    | <i>Come to me, all pilgrims thirsty</i>          | 777     |
| Jul 12                          | Lectionary 15 (Pent 7)            | <i>Isa 55:10-13</i>                             | <i>Ps 65:[1-8] 9-13</i>               | <i>Rom 8:1-11</i>                              | <i>Matt 13:1-9, 18-23</i>                      | <i>As rain from the clouds</i>                   | 508     |
| Jul 19                          | Lectionary 16 (Pent 8)            | <i>Isa 44:6-8</i><br><i>or Wis 12:13, 16-19</i> | <i>Ps 86:11-17</i>                    | <i>Rom 8:12-25</i>                             | <i>Matt 13:24-30, 36-43</i>                    | <i>Come, ye thankful people, come</i>            | 693     |
| Jul 26                          | Lectionary 17 (Pent 9)            | <i>1 Kings 3:5-12</i>                           | <i>Ps 119:129-136</i>                 | <i>Rom 8:26-39</i>                             | <i>Matt 13:31-33, 44-52</i>                    | <i>Be thou my vision</i>                         | 793     |
| Aug 2                           | Lectionary 18 (Pent 10)           | <i>Isa 55:1-5</i>                               | <i>Ps 145:8-9, 14-21</i>              | <i>Rom 9:1-5</i>                               | <i>Matt 14:13-21</i>                           | <i>Break now the bread of life</i>               | 515     |
| Aug 9                           | Lectionary 19 (Pent 11)           | <i>1 Kings 19:9-18</i>                          | <i>Ps 85:8-13</i>                     | <i>Rom 10:5-15</i>                             | <i>Matt 14:22-33</i>                           | <i>My life flows on in endless song</i>          | 763     |
| Aug 16                          | Lectionary 20 (Pent 12)           | <i>Isa 56:1, 6-8</i>                            | <i>Ps 67</i>                          | <i>Rom 11:1-2a, 29-32</i>                      | <i>Matt 15:[10-20] 21-28</i>                   | <i>Healer of our every ill</i>                   | 612     |
| Aug 23                          | Lectionary 21 (Pent 13)           | <i>Isa 51:1-6</i>                               | <i>Ps 138</i>                         | <i>Rom 12:1-8</i>                              | <i>Matt 16:13-20</i>                           | <i>Built on a rock</i>                           | 652     |
| Aug 30                          | Lectionary 22 (Pent 14)           | <i>Jer 15:15-21</i>                             | <i>Ps 26:1-8</i>                      | <i>Rom 12:9-21</i>                             | <i>Matt 16:21-28</i>                           | <i>Will you come and follow me</i>               | 798     |
| Sep 6                           | Lectionary 23 (Pent 15)           | <i>Ezek 33:7-11</i>                             | <i>Ps 119:33-40</i>                   | <i>Rom 13:8-14</i>                             | <i>Matt 18:15-20</i>                           | <i>God, when human bonds are broken</i>          | 603     |
| Sep 13                          | Lectionary 24 (Pent 16)           | <i>Gen 50:15-21</i>                             | <i>Ps 103:[1-7] 8-13</i>              | <i>Rom 14:1-12</i>                             | <i>Matt 18:21-35</i>                           | <i>Forgive our sins as we forgive</i>            | 605     |
| Sep 20                          | Lectionary 25 (Pent 17)           | <i>Jonah 3:10—4:11</i>                          | <i>Ps 145:1-8</i>                     | <i>Phil 1:21-30</i>                            | <i>Matt 20:1-16</i>                            | <i>All who love and serve your city</i>          | 724     |
| Sep 27                          | Lectionary 26 (Pent 18)           | <i>Ezek 18:1-4, 25-32</i>                       | <i>Ps 25:1-9</i>                      | <i>Phil 2:1-13</i>                             | <i>Matt 21:23-32</i>                           | <i>O God, my faithful God</i>                    | 806     |
| Oct 4                           | Lectionary 27 (Pent 19)           | <i>Isa 5:1-7</i>                                | <i>Ps 80:7-15</i>                     | <i>Phil 3:4b-14</i>                            | <i>Matt 21:33-46</i>                           | <i>Lord Christ, when first you came to earth</i> | 727     |
| Oct 11                          | Lectionary 28 (Pent 20)           | <i>Isa 25:1-9</i>                               | <i>Ps 23</i>                          | <i>Phil 4:1-9</i>                              | <i>Matt 22:1-14</i>                            | <i>Let us go now to the banquet</i>              | 523     |
| Oct 12                          | <i>Thanksgiving (Canada)</i>      | <i>Deut 8:7-18</i>                              | <i>Ps 65</i>                          | <i>2 Cor 9:6-15</i>                            | <i>Luke 17:11-19</i>                           | <i>Now thank we all our God</i>                  | 839/840 |
| Oct 18                          | Lectionary 29 (Pent 21)           | <i>Isa 45:1-7</i>                               | <i>Ps 96:1-9 [10-13]</i>              | <i>1 Thess 1:1-10</i>                          | <i>Matt 22:15-22</i>                           | <i>Lift every voice and sing</i>                 | 841     |
| Oct 25                          | Reformation Sunday                | <i>Jer 31:31-34</i>                             | <i>Ps 46</i>                          | <i>Rom 3:19-28</i>                             | <i>John 8:31-36</i>                            | <i>Lord, keep us steadfast in your word</i>      | 517     |
|                                 | <i>or Lectionary 30 (Pent 22)</i> | <i>Lev 19:1-2, 15-18</i>                        | <i>Ps 1</i>                           | <i>1 Thess 2:1-8</i>                           | <i>Matt 22:34-46</i>                           | <i>The church of Christ, in every age</i>        | 729     |
| Nov 1                           | All Saints Day                    | <i>Rev 7:9-17</i>                               | <i>Ps 34:1-10, 22</i>                 | <i>1 John 3:1-3</i>                            | <i>Matt 5:1-12</i>                             | <i>For all the saints</i>                        | 422     |
|                                 | <i>or Lectionary 31 (Pent 23)</i> | <i>Micah 3:5-12</i>                             | <i>Ps 43</i>                          | <i>1 Thess 2:9-13</i>                          | <i>Matt 23:1-12</i>                            | <i>Oh, praise the gracious power</i>             | 651     |
| Nov 8                           | Lectionary 32 (Pent 24)           | <i>Amos 5:18-24</i><br><i>or Wis 6:12-16</i>    | <i>Ps 70</i><br><i>or Wis 6:17-20</i> | <i>1 Thess 4:13-18</i>                         | <i>Matt 25:1-13</i>                            | <i>Wake, awake, for night is flying</i>          | 436     |
| Nov 15                          | Lectionary 33 (Pent 25)           | <i>Zeph 1:7, 12-18</i>                          | <i>Ps 90:1-8 [9-11] 12</i>            | <i>1 Thess 5:1-11</i>                          | <i>Matt 25:14-30</i>                           | <i>Lord of light</i>                             | 688     |
| Nov 22                          | Christ the King                   | <i>Ezek 34:11-16, 20-24</i>                     | <i>Ps 95:1-7a</i>                     | <i>Eph 1:15-23</i>                             | <i>Matt 25:31-46</i>                           | <i>O Christ, what can it mean for us</i>         | 431     |
| Nov 26                          | <i>Thanksgiving (USA)</i>         | <i>Deut 8:7-18</i>                              | <i>Ps 65</i>                          | <i>2 Cor 9:6-15</i>                            | <i>Luke 17:11-19</i>                           | <i>Now thank we all our God</i>                  | 839/840 |

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