

Scripture Readings for the Year 2008

(Year A)

This liturgical year we focus on the gospel of Matthew. The gospel readings from the season of Advent through the Sabbaths after the Epiphany tell of the coming of Christ and his manifestation, especially through His preaching. Most of the first readings, chosen to illuminate the gospel passage, are from the prophet Isaiah. The second readings include selections mainly from Romans and 1 Corinthians.

During Lent and Easter seasons, we supplement our focus on Matthew with a number of texts from John. During Lent, the first readings are chosen to illuminate the gospel, and include important narratives of faith. During Easter season, the first readings are from Acts. The second readings highlight Romans and 1 Peter.

In "ordinary time" beginning the week after Pentecost, the gospel readings move forward through Matthew. The readings from the Hebrew Scriptures focus on the major Genesis narratives, the covenant with Moses, and the establishment of Israel in the promised land. The second readings are taken from Romans, Philippians, and 1 Thessalonians. The final Sabbaths before Advent focus on eschatological themes and the reign of Christ.

First Sabbath of Advent

12/1/2007	1	Isaiah 2:1-5	Psalm 122	Romans 13:11-14	Matthew 24:36-44	204	Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus
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Second Sabbath of Advent

12/8/2007	1	Isaiah 11:1-10	Psalm 72:1-7,18-19	Romans 15:4-13	Matthew 3:1-12	18	O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright
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Third Sabbath of Advent

12/15/2007	1	Isaiah 35:1-10	Psalm 146:5-10	James 5:7-10	Matthew 11:2-11	131	Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming
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Fourth Sabbath of Advent

12/22/2007	1	Isaiah 7:10-16	Psalm 80:1-7,17-19	Romans 1:1-7	Matthew 1:18-25	115	O Come, O Come, Immanuel
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First Sabbath after Christmas Day

12/29/2007	1	Isaiah 63:7-9	Psalm 148	Hebrews 2:10-18	Matthew 2:13-23	124	Away in a Manger
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Epiphany Sabbath / Communion

1/5/2008	1	Isaiah 60:1-6	Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14	Ephesians. 3:1-12	Matthew 2:1-12	137	We Three Kings
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Baptism of Jesus

1/12/2008	1	Isaiah 42:1-9	Psalm 29	Acts 10:34-43	Matthew 3:13-17	585	When Christ was Lifted From the
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1/19/2008	1	Isaiah 49:1-7	Psalm 40:1-11	1 Corinthians 1:1-9	John 1:29-42	538	Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah
1/26/2008	1	Isaiah 9:1-4	Psalm 27:1, 4-9	1 Corinthians 1:10-18	Matthew 4:12-23	128	Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light
<i>Transfiguration</i>							
2/2/2008	1	Exodus 24:12-18	Psalm 99	2 Peter 1:16-21	Matthew 17:1-9	2	All Creatures of Our God and King
<i>First Sabbath in Lent</i>							
2/9/2008	1	Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7	Psalm 32	Romans 5:12-18	Matthew 4:1-11	633	When We All Get to Heaven
<i>Second Sabbath in Lent</i>							
2/16/2008	1	Genesis 12:1-4a	Psalm 121	Romans 4:1-5, 13-17	John 3:1-17	11	The God of Abraham Praise
<i>Third Sabbath in Lent</i>							
2/23/2008	1	Exodus 17:1-7	Psalm 95	Romans 5:1-11	John 4:5-15	460	As Water to the Thirsty
<i>Fourth Sabbath in Lent</i>							
3/1/2008	1	1 Sam. 16:1-13	Psalm 23	Ephesians 5:8-14	John 9:1-11	326	Open My Eyes That I May See
<i>Fifth Sabbath in Lent</i>							
3/8/2008	1	Ezekiel 37:1-14	Psalm 130	Romans 8:6-11	John 11:1-7,17-27	198	And Can It Be?
<i>Passion Week</i>							
3/15/2008	1	Isaiah 50:4-9a	Psalm 31:9-16	Philippians 2:5-11	Matt. 27:27-31, 45-54	156	O Sacred Head Now Wounded
<i>Resurrection</i>							
3/22/2008	1	Jeremiah 31:1-6	Psalm 118:1-2,14-24	Colossians 3:1-4	John 20:1-18	166	Christ the Lord Is Risen Today
<i>Second Sabbath of Easter Season</i>							
3/29/2008	1	Acts 2:14a, 22-32	Psalm 16	1 Peter 1:3-9	John 20:19-31	356	All Who Love and Serve Your City
<i>Third Sabbath of Easter Season</i>							
4/5/2008	1	Acts 2:14a, 36-41	Psalm 116:1-4,12-19	1 Peter 1:17-23	Luke 24:13-32, 45-54	10	Come, Christians, Join to Sing
<i>Fourth Sabbath of Easter Season</i>							
4/12/2008	1	Acts 2:42-47	Psalm 23	1 Peter 2:19-25	John 10:1-10	290	Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus
<i>Fifth Sabbath of Easter Season</i>							

4/19/2008	1	Acts 7:55-60	Psalm 31:1-5,15-16	1 Peter 2:2-10	John 14:1-10	235	Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation
<i>Sixth Sabbath of Easter Season</i>							
4/26/2008	1	Acts 17:22-31	Psalm 66:8-20	1 Peter 3:13-22	John 14:15-21	221	Rejoice, the Lord Is King
<i>Seventh Sabbath of Easter Season</i>							
5/3/2008	1	Acts 1:6-14	Psalm 68:1-10,32-35	1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11	John 17:1-11	228	A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing
<i>Pentecost Sabbath</i>							
5/10/2008	1	Numbers 11:24-30	Psalm 104:24-34, 35b	Acts 2:1-21	John 7:37-39	265	Breathe on Me, Breath of God
<i>Trinity</i>							
5/17/2008	1	Genesis 1:1-2:4a	Psalm 8	2 Corinthians 13:11-13	Matthew 28:16-20	73	Holy, Holy, Holy
5/24/2008	1	Isaiah 49:8-16a	Psalm 131	1 Corinthians 4:1-5	Matthew 6:24-34	344	I Love Your Kingdom, Lord
5/31/2008	1	Gen. 6:9-22; 7:24; 8:14-19	Psalm 46	Rom. 1:16-17; 3:22b-28	Matthew 7:21-29	522	My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less
6/7/2008	1	Genesis 12:1-9	Psalm 33:1-12	Romans 4:13-25	Matt. 9:9-13,18-26	334	Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing
6/14/2008	1	Genesis 18:1-15	Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19	Romans 5:1-8	Matthew 9:35-10:8	108	Amazing Grace
6/21/2008	1	Genesis 21:8-21	Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17	Romans 6:1b-11	Matthew 10:24-39	519	Give to the Winds Your Fears
6/28/2008	1	Genesis 22:1-14	Psalm 13	Romans 6:12-23	Matthew 10:40-42	232	At the Name of Jesus
7/5/2008	1	Gen. 24:34-38,42-49, 58-59	Psalm 45:10-17	Romans 7:15-25a	Matt. 11:16-19,25-30	504	Lord Jesus, Think on Me
7/12/2008	1	Genesis 25:21-34	Psalm 119:105-112	Romans 8:1-11	Matt. 13:1-9,18-23	21	Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
7/19/2008	1	Genesis 28:10-19a	Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24	Romans 8:12-25	Matt. 13:24-30,36-43	557	Come, Ye Thankful People
7/26/2008	1	Genesis 29:15-28	Psalm 128	Romans 8:26-39	Matt. 13:31-33,44-	239	Jesus, Priceless Treasure

8/2/2008	1	Genesis 32:22-31	Psalm 17:1-7, 15	Romans 9:1-5	Matthew 14:13-21	271	Break Thou the Bread of Life
8/9/2008	1	Genesis 37:3-4,12-28	Ps. 105:1-6, 16-22, 45c	Romans 10:5-15	Matthew 14:22-33	541	Lord, Speak to Me
8/16/2008	1	Genesis 45:1-15	Psalm 133	Romans 11:1-2a,29-32	Matthew 15:21-28	16	All People That on Earth Do Dwell
8/23/2008	1	Exodus 1:8-2:10	Psalm 124	Romans 12:1-8	Matthew 16:13-20	363	Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service
8/30/2008	1	Exodus 3:1-15	Ps. 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c	Romans 12:9-21	Matthew 16:21-28	348	The Church Has One Foundation
9/6/2008	1	Exodus 12:1-14	Psalm 149	Romans 13:8-14	Matthew 18:15-20	191	Love Divine
9/13/2008	1	Exodus 14:19-31	Psalm 114	Romans 14:1-12	Matthew 18:21-35	170	Come, You Faithful
9/20/2008	1	Exodus 16:2-15	Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45	Philippians 1:21-30	Matthew 20:1-16	423	Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken
9/27/2008	1	Exodus 17:1-7	Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16	Philippians 2:1-13	Matthew 21:23-32	229	All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
10/4/2008	1	Exodus 20:1-20	Psalm 19	Philippians 3:4b-14	Matthew 21:33-46	547	Be Thou My Vision
10/11/2008	1	Exodus 32:1-14	Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23	Philippians 4:1-9	Matthew 22:1-14	100	Great Is Thy Faithfulness
10/18/2008	1	Exodus 33:13-23	Psalm 99	1 Thessalonians 1:1-10	Matthew 22:15-22	520	He Hideth My Soul
10/25/2008	1	Deuteronomy 34:1-12	Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17	1 Thessalonians 2:1-8	Matthew 22:34-46	565	For the Beauty of the Earth
11/1/2008	1	Revelation 7:9-17	Psalm 34:1-10, 22	1 John 3:1-3	Matthew 5:1-12	386	The Sacred Anthem
11/8/2008	1	Joshua 24:1-3a,14-25	Psalm 78:1-7	1 Thess. 4:13-18	Matthew 25:1-13	599	Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers
11/15/2008	1	Judges 4:1-7	Psalm 123	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	Matthew 25:14-30	209	That Glorious Day is Coming
<i>Reign of Christ</i>							
11/22/2008	1	Ezek. 34:11-16,20-24	Psalm 100	Ephesians 1:15-23	Matthew 25: 31-46	223	Crown Him with Many Crowns

