

REVISED COMMON LECTIONARY 2020 – SUNDAYS & SPECIAL DAYS ONLY -- YEAR A (Advent & Christmas Year B)

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Additional Special Sundays with dates to be determined by Annual Conferences and at which special offerings may be received include:

Rural Life Sunday, Disability Awareness Sunday, Golden Cross Sunday, and Christian Education Sunday, Men's Ministry Sunday, and International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church. Older Adult Recognition Sunday may be observed annually, preferably in May.

<p>January 1, 2020 New Year (A, B, C) <i>White or Gold</i> Ecclesiastes 3:1-13; Ps 8 (UMH 743); Rev 21:1-6a; Mt 25:31-46 <i>Call to Prayer & Self Denial any period during Jan.-Mar.</i> <i>Last day of Kwanzaa</i></p>	<p>April 11, 2020 <i>Holy Saturday – Easter Eve</i> <i>White or Gold</i> Number of readings may vary, but should include Ex. 14 + 2 other OT Readings + the NT readings. Bracketed texts are responses to the reading preceding them.</p>
<p>January 5, 2020 <i>Epiphany Sunday</i> <i>White or Gold</i> Isaiah 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-7, 10-14 (UMH 795); <i>Jan 6 Epiphany of the Lord</i> Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12 <i>Jan 11 Human Trafficking Awareness Day</i></p>	<p>Old Testament Readings & Psalms (A,B,C): ●Gen 1:1-2:4a [Ps 136:1-9, 23-26 or Ps 33 (UMH 767)]; ●Gen 7:1-5, 11-18; 8:6-18; 9:8-13 [Ps 46 (UMH 780)]; ●Gen 22:1-18 [Ps 16 (UMH 748)]; ●Ex 14:10-31; 15:20-21 [Ex 15:1b-13, 17-18 (UMH 135)]; ●Isa 55:1-11 [Isa 12:2-6]; ●Ezek 36:24-28 [Ps 42 (UMH 777)]; ●Ezek 37:1-14 [Ps 143 (UMH 856)] 2nd Reading & Ps (A, B, C): Rom 6:3-11 [Ps 114; (UMH 835)] Gospel Reading: Matthew 28:1-10</p>
<p>January 12, 2020 <i>Baptism of the Lord</i> <i>White or Gold</i> 1st Sunday after the Epiphany <i>Jan. 18-25: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity</i> Isaiah 42:1-9; Ps 29 (UMH 761); Acts 10:34-43; Matthew 3:13-17</p>	<p>April 12, 2020 <i>Easter Day</i> <i>White or Gold</i> Acts 10:34-43; Ps 118:1-2, 14-24 (UMH 839); Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-18; or Matthew 28:1-10</p>
<p>January 19, 2020 2nd Sunday after the Epiphany <i>Green</i> Isaiah 49:1-7; Ps 40:1-11 (UMH 774); 1 Cor 1:1-9; Jn 1:29-42 <i>Jan 20: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</i> Human Relations Day</p>	<p>Apr. 19, 2020 2nd Sun. of Easter <i>Festival of God's Creation</i> <i>White or Gold</i> Acts 2:14a, 22-32; Ps 16 (UMH 748); 1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31 <i>April 22: Earth Day</i> <i>April 25: World Malaria Day</i></p>
<p>January 26, 2020 3rd Sunday after the Epiphany <i>Green</i> Isaiah 9:1-4; Ps 27:1, 4-9 (UMH 758); 1 Corinthians 1:10-18; Matthew 4:12-23 <i>Ecumenical Sunday</i></p>	<p>Apr. 26, 2020 3rd Sun of Easter <i>May 1: Friendship Day</i> <i>White or Gold</i> Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps 116:1-4, 12-19 (UMH 837); Pet 1:17-23; Lk 24:13-35 <i>May: Asian Pacific American Heritage month</i> Native American Ministries Sunday</p>
<p>February 2, 2020 4th Sunday after the Epiphany <i>Green</i> Micah 6:1-8; Psalm 15 (UMH 747); 1 Corinthians 1:18-31; Matthew 5:1-12 <i>February is Black History Month</i></p>	<p>May 3, 2020 4th Sunday of Easter <i>White or Gold</i> Acts 2:42-47; Psalm 23 (UMH 754 or 137); <i>May 7: National Day of Prayer</i> 1 Peter 2:19-25; John 10:1-10 <i>May is Christian Home Month</i></p>
<p>February 9, 2020 5th Sunday after the Epiphany <i>Green</i> Isaiah 58:1-9a, (9b-12); Ps 112:1-10 (UMH 833); 1 Corinthians 2:1-12 (13-16); Matthew 5:13-20 <i>Scouting Ministries Sunday</i></p>	<p>May 10, 2020 5th Sunday of Easter <i>Festival of the Christian Home</i> <i>White or Gold</i> Acts 7:55-60; Ps 31:1-5, 15-16 (UMH 764); 1 Peter 2:2-10; John 14:1-14 <i>Mother's Day (USA)</i></p>
<p>February 16, 2020 6th Sunday after the Epiphany <i>Green</i> Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 119:1-8 (UMH 840); I Corinthians 3:1-9; Matthew 5:21-37 <i>Feb. 17 – Presidents Day (USA)</i></p>	<p>May 17, 2020 6th Sunday of Easter <i>White or Gold</i> Acts 17:22-31; Psalm 66:8-20 (UMH 790); 1 Pet 3:13-22; Jn 14:15-21</p>
<p>February 23, 2020 <i>Transfiguration of the Lord</i> <i>White or Gold</i> 7th Sunday after the Epiphany using Transfiguration readings: Ex 24:12-18; Ps 99 (UMH 819); 2 Pet 1:16-21; Mt 17 1-9</p>	<p>May 21, 2020 <i>Ascension of the Lord (A,B,C)</i> <i>White or Gold</i> Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47 (UMH 781); Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53 <i>(These readings may also be used on the 7th Sunday of Easter)</i></p>
<p>February 26, 2020 <i>Ash Wednesday</i> <i>Purple</i> Joel 2:1-2, 12-17; Psalm 51:1-17 (UMH 785); 2 Cor 5:20b-6:10; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21 <i>March is Women's History Month</i></p>	<p>May 24, 2020 7th Sunday of Easter <i>Ascension Sunday</i> <i>White or Gold</i> Acts 1:6-14; Ps 68:1-10, 32-35 (UMH 792); 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11; John 17:1-11 <i>(Use May 21 readings if celebrating Ascension Sunday)</i> Aldersgate Day/Heritage Sunday</p>
<p>March 1, 2020 1st Sunday in Lent <i>Purple</i> Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7; Psalm 32 (UMH 766); Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11 <i>March 6: World Day of Prayer</i></p>	<p>May 31, 2020 <i>Day of Pentecost</i> <i>Red or White</i> Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b (UMH 826); 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13; John 7:37-39</p>
<p>March 8, 2020 2nd Sunday in Lent <i>Purple</i> Genesis 12:1-4a; Psalm 121 (UMH 844); <i>March 17: St. Patrick's Day</i> Romans 4:1-5, 13-17; John 3:1-17 <i>Begin Daylight Saving Time 2 a.m.</i></p>	<p>June 7, 2020 <i>Trinity Sunday</i> 1st Sunday after Pentecost <i>White</i> Genesis 1:1-2:4a; Psalm 8 (UMH 743); 2 Cor 13:11-13; Matthew 28:16-20 Peace with Justice Sunday</p>
<p>March 15, 2020 3rd Sunday in Lent <i>Purple</i> Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 95 (UMH 814); Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-42</p>	<p>June 14, 2020 2nd Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Gen 18:1-15; Ps. 116:1-2, 12-19 (UMH 837) Romans 5:1-8; Matthew 9:35-10:8 (9-23) <i>Father's Day (USA)</i></p>
<p>March 22, 2020 4th Sunday in Lent <i>Purple</i> 1 Samuel 16:1-13; Ps 23 (UMH 754 or 137); Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41 One Great Hour of Sharing</p>	<p>June 21, 2020 3rd Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Gen 21:8-21; Ps 86:1-10, 16-17 or Ps 17 (UMH 749); Romans 6:1b-11, Matthew 10:24-39</p>
<p>March 29, 2020 5th Sunday in Lent <i>Purple</i> Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalm 130 (UMH 848); Romans 8:6-11; John 11:1-45</p>	<p>June 28, 2020 4th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Genesis 22:1-14; Psalm 13 (UMH 746); Romans 6:12-23; Matthew 10:40-42 <i>July 4: Independence Day (USA)</i></p>
<p>April 5, 2020 <i>Passion/Palm Sunday</i> 6th Sunday in Lent <i>Purple or Red</i> Liturgy of the Palms: Matthew 21:1-11; Ps 118:1-2, 19-29 (UMH 839) Liturgy of the Passion: Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16 (UMH 764); Philippians 2:5-11; Matthew 26:14-27:66 or Matthew 27:11-54</p>	<p>July 5, 2020 5th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67; Psalm 45:10-17 or Psalm 72 (UMH 795); Romans 7:15-25a; Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30</p>
<p>April 6, 2020 <i>Monday of Holy Week (A,B,C)</i> <i>Purple or Red</i> Isaiah 42:1-9; Psalm 36:5-11 (UMH 771); Hebrews 9:11-15; John 12:1-11</p>	<p>July 12, 2020 6th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Genesis 25:19-34; Psalm 119:105-112 or Psalm 25 (UMH 756); Romans 8:1-11; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23</p>
<p>April 7, 2020 <i>Tuesday of Holy Week</i> <i>Purple or Red</i> Isaiah 49:1-7; Psalm 71:1-14 (UMH 794); 1 Corinthians 1:18-31; John 12:20-36</p>	<p>July 19, 2020 7th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Genesis 28:10-19a; Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24 (UMH 854); Romans 8:12-25; Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43</p>
<p>April 8, 2020 <i>Wednesday of Holy Week</i> <i>Purple or Red</i> Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 70 (UMH 793); Hebrews 12:1-3; John 13:21-32</p>	<p>July 26, 2020 8th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Genesis 29:15-28; Psalm 105:1-11, 45b (UMH 828); Romans 8:26-39; Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52</p>
<p>April 9, 2020 <i>Holy Thursday</i> <i>Purple or Red</i> Exodus 12:1-4, (5-10), 11-14; Ps 116:1-4, 12-19 (UMH 837) 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; John 13:1-17, 31b-35</p>	<p>August 2, 2020 9th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Gen. 32:22-31; Psalm 17:1-7, 15 (UMC 749); Romans 9:1-5; Mt 14:13-21 <i>Great Day of Singing: any Sunday in August or during the year.</i></p>
<p>April 10, 2020 <i>Good Friday</i> <i>No Color</i> Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Psalm 22 (UMH 752); Hebrews 10:16-25; John 18:1-19:42</p>	

