

REVISED COMMON LECTIONARY 2016 – SUNDAYS & SPECIAL DAYS ONLY – YEAR C (Advent & Christmas Year A)

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Additional Special Sundays approved by GC 2012 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 are on the 2nd Sunday in November, or may be set by the local church.

Older Adult Recognition Sunday may be observed annually, preferably in May.

<p>January 1, 2016 New Year (A, B, C) <i>White or Gold</i> Ecclesiastes 3:1-13; Psalm 8 (UMH 743); Rev 21:1-6a; Mt 25:31-46 <i>UMW Call to Prayer & Self Denial any period Jan- Mar</i> Last day of Kwanzaa</p>	<p>March 26, 2016 <i>Easter Vigil</i> <i>White or Gold</i> Number of readings may vary, but should include Ex. 14 + at least 2 other OT Readings + the NT readings. Psalms or canticles are responses to each OT and Epistle reading. 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) NT Reading & Ps (A, B, C): Rom 6:3-11 Ps 114; (UMH 835) Gospel Reading: Luke 24:1-12</p>
<p>January 3, 2016 <i>Epiphany Sunday</i> <i>White or Gold</i> Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14 (UMH 795); Ephesians 3:1-12; Mt 2:1-12 <i>Jan 11: Human Trafficking Awareness Day</i></p>	<p>March 27, 2016 <i>Easter Day</i> <i>White or Gold</i> Acts 10:34-43; Psalm 118:1–2, 14–24 (UMH 839); I Corinthians 15:19-26; John 20:1–18; or Luke 24:1-12</p>
<p>January 10, 2016 <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 43:1-7; Ps 29 (UMH 761); Acts 8:14-17; Luke 3:15-17, 21-22</p>	<p>April 3, 2016 2nd Sunday of Easter <i>White or Gold</i> Acts 5:27-32; Psalm 150 (UMH 862); Revelation 1:4-8; John 20:19-31</p>
<p>January 17, 2016 2nd Sunday after the Epiphany <i>Green</i> Isaiah 62:1-5; Ps 36:5-10 (UMH 771); I Cor 12:1-11; John 2:1-11 <i>Jan 18: Observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</i> Human Relations Day</p>	<p>April 10, 2016 3rd Sunday of Easter <i>White or Gold</i> Acts 9:1-6; Ps 30 (UMH 762); Native American Ministries Sunday Revelation 5:11-14; John 21:1-19</p>
<p>January 24, 2016 3rd Sunday after the Epiphany <i>Green</i> Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10; Psalm 19 (UMH 750); 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a; Luke 4:14-21 <i>Ecumenical Sunday</i></p>	<p>April 17, 2016 4th Sun of Easter <i>White or Gold</i> Acts 9:36-43; Ps 23 (UMH 754 or 137); Rev 7:9-17; Jn 10:22-30 <i>April 22: Earth Day</i> <i>May: Asian Pacific American Heritage month</i></p>
<p>January 31, 2016 4th Sunday after the Epiphany <i>Green</i> Jeremiah 1:4-10; Psalm 71:1-6 (UMH 794); 1 Corinthians 13:1-13; Luke 4:21-30 <i>February is Black History Month</i></p>	<p>April 24, 2016 5th Sun of Easter Festival of God's Creation <i>White or Gold</i> Acts 11:1-18; Ps 148 (UMH 861) <i>April 25: World Malaria Day</i> Revelation 21:1-6; John 13:31-35 <i>May 2: Christian Family Week begins</i></p>
<p>February 7, 2016 <i>Transfiguration Sunday</i> <i>White or Gold</i> Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99 (UMH 819); 5th Sunday after the Epiphany 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2 Luke 9:28-36 (37-43)</p>	<p>May 1, 2016 6th Sunday of Easter <i>White or Gold</i> Acts 16:9-15; Psalm 67 (UMH 791); Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5; John 14:23-29 <i>May: Christian Home Month; May 5: National Day of Prayer</i> <i>Possible Older Adult Recognition Day</i> <i>May: Older Adult Month</i></p>
<p>February 10, 2016 <i>Ash Wednesday</i> <i>Purple</i> Joel 2:1-2, 12-17; Psalm 51:1-17 (UMH 785); 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21</p>	<p>May 5, 2016 <i>Ascension Day (A,B,C)</i> <i>White or Gold</i> Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47 (UMH 781); Eph 1:15-23; <i>May 6: Friendship Day</i> Luke 24:44-53 <i>(These readings may also be used on May 8)</i></p>
<p>February 14, 2016 1st Sunday in Lent <i>Purple</i> Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 (UMH 810); Romans 10:8b-13; Luke 4:1-13 <i>Scouting Ministries Sunday (or after Lent)</i> <i>Feb. 15 Presidents Day (USA)</i></p>	<p>May 8, 2016 7th Sun. of Easter / <i>Ascension Sunday</i> <i>White or Gold</i> Acts 16: 16-34; Psalm 97 (UMH 816); Festival of the Christian Home Rev 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21; John 17:20-26 <i>Mother's Day (USA)</i> May 10: General Conf. 2016 begins <i>May 14-15: Change the World Weekend</i></p>
<p>February 21, 2016 2nd Sunday in Lent <i>Purple</i> Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18; Psalm 27 (UMH 758); Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 13:31-35</p>	<p>May 15, 2016 <i>Day of Pentecost</i> <i>Red</i> Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b (UMH 826); Romans 8:14-17; John 14:8-17 (25-27)</p>
<p>February 28, 2016 3rd Sunday in Lent <i>Purple</i> Isaiah 55:1-9; Psalm 63:1-8 (UMH 788); 1 Corinthians 10:1-13; Luke 13:1-9 <i>March 4: World Day of Prayer</i> <i>March is Women's History Month</i></p>	<p>May 22, 2016 <i>Trinity Sunday</i> 1st Sunday after Pentecost <i>White or Gold</i> Prov 8:1-14, 22-31; Ps 8 (UMH 743); Rom 5:1-5; <i>Heritage Sunday</i> Jn 16:12-15 <i>May 24: Aldersgate Day</i> Peace With Justice Sunday</p>
<p>March 6, 2016 4th Sunday in Lent <i>Purple</i> Joshua 5:9-12; Psalm 32 (UMH 766); 2 Cor 5:16-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 One Great Hour of Sharing</p>	<p>May 29, 2016 2nd Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> 1 Kings 18:20-39; Psalm 96 (UMH 815); Galatians 1:1-12; Luke 7:1-10 <i>May 30: Memorial Day (USA)</i></p>
<p>March 13, 2016 5th Sunday in Lent <i>Purple</i> Isa 43:16-21; Ps 126 (UMH 847); Phil 3:4b-14; (Begin Daylight Saving Time 2 a.m.) Jn 12:1-8 <i>Mar. 17 St. Patrick's Day</i> <i>Alternate Scouting Ministries (or after Lent)</i></p>	<p>June 5, 2016 3rd Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> 1 Kings 17:8-24; Psalm 146 (UMH 858); Galatians 1:11-24; Luke 7: 11-17</p>
<p>March 20, 2016 <i>Passion/Palm Sunday</i> <i>Purple or Red</i> Liturgy of the Palms: Luke 19:28-40; 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; Luke 22:14-23:56 or Luke 23:1-49</p>	<p>June 12, 2016 4th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> 1 Kings 21:1-21a; Psalm 5:1-8 (UMH 742); Galatians 2:15-21; Luke 7:36-8:3</p>
<p>March 21, 2016 <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>June 19, 2016 5th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> 1 Kings 19:1-15a; Psalm 42 (UMH 777); Galatians 3:23-29; Luke 8:26-39 <i>Father's Day (USA)</i></p>
<p>March 22, 2016 <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>June 26, 2016 6th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14; Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20 (UMH 798); Galatians 5:1, 13-25; Luke 9:51-62 <i>John Wesley born June 28, 1703</i></p>
<p>March 23, 2016 <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 3, 2016 7th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> 2 Kings 5:1-14; Psalm 30 (UMH 762); <i>July 4: Independence Day (USA)</i> Galatians 6:(1-6) 7-16; Luke 10:1-11, 16-20</p>
<p>March 24, 2016 <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>March 25, 2016 <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>	

July 10, 2016 8 th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Amos 7:7-17; Psalm 82 (UMH 804); Colossians 1:1-14; Luke 10:25-37	October 23, 2016 23 rd Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Joel 2:23-32; Psalm 65 (UMH 789); 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14
July 17, 2016 9 th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Amos 8:1-12; Psalm 52 or 82 (UMH 804); Colossians 1:15-28; Lk 10:38-42	October 30, 2016 24 th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4; Ps 119:137-144 (UMH 840); 2 Thess 1:1-4, 11-12; Luke 19:1-10 <i>Oct. 31: Reformation Day</i>
July 24, 2016 10 th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Hosea 1:2-10; Psalm 85 (UMH 806); Colossians 2:6-15 (16-19); Luke 11:1-13	November 1, 2016 <i>All Saints Day</i> <i>White</i> Dan 7:1-3, 15-18; Ps 149 or 150 (UMH 862); Eph 1:11-23; Lk 6:20-31 <i>Nov. 4: World Community Day Nov. is Native American Heritage Month</i>
July 31, 2016 11 th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Hosea 11:1-11; Psalm 107:1-9, 43 (UMH 830); Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21 <i>A Great Day of Singing: any Sunday in August or during the year</i>	Nov. 6, 2016 <i>All Saints Sunday-White/Red</i> or 25 th Sun. after Pent. <i>Green</i> <i>For All Saints Sunday use readings for Nov. 1. (Daylight Saving Time ends 2 a.m.)</i> <i>For 25th Sunday after Pentecost: Hag 1:15b-2:9; Ps 145:1-5, 17-21 (UMH 857); 2 Thess 2:1-5, 13-17; Lk 20:27-38 Nov. 11: Veterans Day (USA)</i>
August 7, 2016 12 th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Isaiah 1:1, 10-20; Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23 (UMH 783); Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16; Luke 12:32-40	November 13, 2016 26 th Sun after Pentecost <i>Green</i> or Extended Advent 1 <i>Purple/Blue</i> Isa 65:17-25; Isa 12 or Ps 118 (UMH 839); 2 Thess 3:6-13; Lk 21:5-19 <i>Int'l Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church Organ & Tissue Donor Sun.</i>
August 14, 2016 13 th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19 (UMH 801); Hebrews 11:29-12:2; Luke 12:49-56	November 20, 2016 <i>Christ the King/Reign of Christ</i> <i>White/Gold</i> Jeremiah 23:1-6; Lk 1:68-79 (UMH 208); Col 1:11-20; Lk 23:33-43 <i>Nov. 24 Thanksgiving Day (USA) Bible Sunday -- National Bible Week begins</i>
August 21, 2016 14 th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Jeremiah 1:4-10, Psalm 71:1-6 (UMH 794); Hebrews 12:18-29; Luke 13:10-17 <i>Season of Creation: Month of September</i>	November 24, 2016 Thanksgiving Day (U.S.A.) <i>Red or Green</i> Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 100 (UMH 821); Philippians 4:4-9; John 6:25-35
August 28, 2016 15 th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Jeremiah 2:4-13; Psalm 81:1, 10-16 (UMH 803); Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16; Luke 14:1, 7-14	November 27, 2016 1 st Sunday of Advent (Yr. A) <i>Purple or Blue</i> Isaiah 2:1-5; Ps 122 (UMH 845); Rom 13:11-14; Matthew 24:36-44 <i>Dec 1: World Aids Day United Methodist Student Day</i>
September 4, 2016 16 th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Jeremiah 18:1-11; Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 (UMH 854); Philemon 1-21, Luke 14:25-33 <i>Labor Day (U.S.A.) celebrated Sept. 5</i>	December 4, 2016 2 nd Sunday of Advent (Yr. A) <i>Purple or Blue</i> Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19 (UMH 795); Romans 15:4-13; Matthew 3:1-12
September 11, 2016 17 th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28; Psalm 14 (UMH 746); 1 Tim 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-10 <i>Hispanic Heritage Month Sept. 15–Oct. 15</i>	December 11, 2016 3 rd Sunday of Advent (Yr. A) <i>Purple/Pink/Blue</i> Isaiah 35:1-10; Luke 1:47-55 (UMH 199); James 5:7-10; Matthew 11:2-11
September 18, 2016 18 th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Jeremiah 8:18-9:1; Psalm 79:1-9 or Psalm 4 (UMH 741); 1 Timothy 2:1-7; Luke 16:1-13	December 18, 2016 4 th Sunday of Advent (Yr. A) <i>Purple or Blue</i> Isaiah 7:10-16; Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19 (UMH 801); Romans 1:1-7; Matthew 1:18-25
September 25, 2016 19 th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15; Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16 (UMH 810); 1 Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31 <i>Season of Saints: Oct. 4–Nov. 1</i>	December 24, 2016 <i>Christmas Eve</i> <i>White or Gold</i> Isaiah 9:2-7; Psalm 96 (UMH 815); Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-20
October 2, 2016 20 th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Lam 1:1-6; Psalm 137 (UMH 852); World Communion Sunday 2 Tim 1:1-14; Lk 17:5-10 <i>Children's Sabbath: Fri. Oct 7—Sun. Oct 9</i>	December 25, 2016 <i>Christmas Day</i> <i>White or Gold</i> Isaiah 52:7-10; Psalm 98 (UMH 818); Hebrews 1:1-4 (5-12); John 1:1-14 <i>Kwanzaa Dec. 26–Jan. 1</i>
October 9, 2016 21 st Sun after Pentecost <i>Green</i> Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7; Psalm 66:1-12 (UMH 790); 2 Timothy 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19	December 31, 2016 <i>Watch Night/New Year (A,B,C)</i> <i>White or Gold</i> Ecclesiastes 3:1-13; Psalm 8 (UMH 743); Revelation 21:1-6a; Matthew 25:31-46

Notes:

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