

Sundays and Seasons Worship Planning Calendar 2026 Year A

Worship Planning Calendar serves as a planning guide, appointment calendar, and guide to daily prayer. It can be used effectively in conjunction with *Sundays and Seasons*, a guide to worship planning for leaders (Year A 2026, ISBN 979-8-8898-3500-4); *Sundays and Seasons: Preaching*, a tool for lectionary preaching (Year A 2026, ISBN 979-8-8898-3586-8); and *Bread for the Day 2026: Daily Bible Readings and Prayers*, a daily devotional and prayer resource (ISBN 979-8-8898-3593-6).

Calendar

- The calendar is organized by the church year as presented in *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*, including Sundays, principal festivals, lesser festivals, commemorations and observances, and occasions.
- With the exception of The Holy Trinity, which is always celebrated on the first Sunday after Pentecost, the propers for the Sundays after Pentecost are determined by calendar date. The lectionary number refers to the appointed set of lectionary readings and propers, ordered in sequence beginning with the Sundays in the time after Epiphany and continuing again in the time after Pentecost.

Related Resources

- Prayers of the day, psalm refrains, preface, and color are from *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*.
- Musical settings for year A psalm refrains are in *Psalter for Worship, Year A* (ISBN 978-0-8066-5382-2).
- For other lists of commemorations that may be observed, see *Libro de Liturgia y Cántico* (pp. 10–12), *This Far by Faith* (pp. 114–118), and *Lutheran Book of Worship* (pp. 10–12).

Lectionary

- Readings for Sundays and principal festivals are drawn from year A of the Revised Common Lectionary.
- Daily lectionary readings are drawn from *Revised Common Lectionary: Daily Readings*, which are also included in *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* (pp. 1121–1153). This daily lectionary was designed to illuminate the significance of the Sunday readings, to encourage a well-rounded reading of scripture over the span of the church year, and to provide a foundation for prayer. In general, readings on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday are selected to prepare for the Sunday lectionary; readings on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday are selected to reflect on the Sunday lectionary.
- Beginning with Lectionary 10 (June 7, 2026), the complementary series of first readings and psalms is presented on the Sunday planning pages. The semicontinuous series of readings and psalms for the time after Pentecost is listed on page 190. Both series use the same second reading and gospel.

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Mon Nov 24 Justus Falckner, 1723; Jehu Jones, 1852; William Passavant, 1894; pastors in North America	Daily Lectionary Psalm 24 Jeremiah 46:18-28 Revelation 21:5-27
Tue Nov 25 Isaac Watts, hymnwriter, 1748	Daily Lectionary Psalm 24 Isaiah 33:17-22 Revelation 22:8-21
Wed Nov 26	Daily Lectionary Psalm 24 Isaiah 60:8-16 Luke 1:1-4
Thu Nov 27 Day of Thanksgiving (USA) Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Psalm 100 Philippians 4:4-9 John 6:25-35	Daily Lectionary Psalm 122 Daniel 9:15-19 James 4:1-10
Fri Nov 28	Daily Lectionary Psalm 122 Genesis 6:1-10 Hebrews 11:1-7
Sat Nov 29	Daily Lectionary Psalm 122 Genesis 6:11-22 Matthew 24:1-22

First Sunday of Advent

Preface Advent | Color Blue



SUNDAY
30
NOVEMBER

Andrew, Apostle

Prayer of the Day

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come.
By your merciful protection save us from
the threatening dangers of our sins, and
enlighten our walk in the way of your
salvation, for you live and reign with the
Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now
and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Show us your steadfast love,
O LORD, and grant us your salvation.
Alleluia. (Ps. 85:7)

Readings and Psalm

Isaiah 2:1-5

Weapons of war transformed into
instruments of peace

Psalm 122

I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go
to the house of the LORD.” (Ps. 122:1)

Romans 13:11-14

Salvation is near; time to wake from sleep

Matthew 24:36-44

The sudden coming of the Son of Man

Hymns/Other Music

Liturgy Notes

Intercessions

Sermon Notes

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Mon Dec 1 Andrew, Apostle (transferred) Ezekiel 3:16-21 Psalm 19:1-6 Romans 10:10-18 John 1:35-42	Daily Lectionary Psalm 124 Genesis 8:1-19 Romans 6:1-11
Tue Dec 2	Daily Lectionary Psalm 124 Genesis 9:1-17 Hebrews 11:32-40
Wed Dec 3 Francis Xavier, missionary to Asia, 1552	Daily Lectionary Psalm 124 Isaiah 54:1-10 Matthew 24:23-35
Thu Dec 4 John of Damascus, theologian and hymnwriter, c. 749	Daily Lectionary Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19 Isaiah 4:2-6 Acts 1:12-17, 21-26
Fri Dec 5	Daily Lectionary Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19 Isaiah 30:19-26 Acts 13:16-25
Sat Dec 6 Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, c. 342	Daily Lectionary Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19 Isaiah 40:1-11 John 1:19-28

Second Sunday of Advent

Preface Advent | Color Blue



SUNDAY
07
DECEMBER

Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, 397

Prayer of the Day

Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming nurture our growth as people of repentance and peace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Prepare the way of the Lord.
All flesh shall see the salvation of God.
Alleluia. (Luke 3:4, 6)

Readings and Psalm

Isaiah 11:1-10

From David's line, a ruler bringing justice and peace

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

May the righteous flourish; let there be an abundance of peace. (Ps. 72:7)

Romans 15:4-13

Live in harmony, welcoming one another

Matthew 3:1-12

A voice cries: Prepare the way of the Lord

Hymns/Other Music

Liturgy Notes

Intercessions

Sermon Notes

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Mon Dec 8	Daily Lectionary Psalm 21 Isaiah 24:1-16a 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12
Tue Dec 9	Daily Lectionary Psalm 21 Isaiah 41:14-20 Romans 15:14-21
Wed Dec 10	Daily Lectionary Psalm 21 Genesis 15:1-18 Matthew 12:33-37
Thu Dec 11	Daily Lectionary Psalm 146:5-10 Ruth 1:6-18 2 Peter 3:1-10
Fri Dec 12	Daily Lectionary Psalm 146:5-10 Ruth 4:13-17 2 Peter 3:11-18
Sat Dec 13 Lucy, martyr, 304	Daily Lectionary Psalm 146:5-10 1 Samuel 2:1-8 Luke 3:1-18