

Biblical Passages used in Mennonite Bulletin Series

from The Revised Common Lectionary

Years C & B: September 2016, through August 2017

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YEAR C

QUARTER 1

September 4, 2016

Follow me
Deuteronomy 30:15-20
Psalm 1
Philemon 1-21
Luke 14:25-33

September 11, 2016

Your abundant mercy
Exodus 32:7-14
Psalm 51:1-10
1 Timothy 1:12-17
Luke 15:1-10

September 18, 2016

Whoever is faithful
Amos 8:4-7
Psalm 113
1 Timothy 2:1-7
Luke 16:1-13

September 25, 2016

The LORD lifts up
Amos 6:1a, 4-7
Psalm 146
1 Timothy 6:6-19
Luke 16:19-31

October 2, 2016

Sincere faith
Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4
Psalm 37:1-9
2 Timothy 1:1-14
Luke 17:5-10

October 9, 2016

Great are the works of the LORD
2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c
Psalm 111
2 Timothy 2:8-15
Luke 17:11-19

October 16, 2016

The LORD is your keeper
Genesis 32:22-31
Psalm 121
2 Timothy 3:14-4:5
Luke 18:1-8

October 23, 2016

I have kept the faith
Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22
Psalm 84:1-7
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
Luke 18:9-14

October 30, 2016

Learn to do good
Isaiah 1:10-18
Psalm 32:1-7
2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12
Luke 19:1-10

November 6, 2016

God chose you
Job 19:23-27a
Psalm 17:1-9
2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17
Luke 20:27-38

or

All Saints (additional scriptures)
Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18
Psalm 149
Ephesians 1:11-23
Luke 6:20-31

November 13, 2016

Steadfast love and faithfulness
Malachi 4:1-2a
Psalm 98
2 Thessalonians 3:6-13
Luke 21:5-19

November 20, 2016

Always thankful
Jeremiah 23:1-6
Psalm 46
Colossians 1:11-20
Luke 23:33-43

November 27, 2016 – Advent 1

Keep awake
Isaiah 2:1-5
Psalm 122
Romans 13:11-14
Matthew 24:36-44

YEAR A

QUARTER 2

December 4, 2016 – Advent 2

Prepare the way
Isaiah 11:1-10
Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19
Romans 15:4-13
Matthew 3:1-12

December 11, 2016 – Advent 3

Take heart
Isaiah 35:1-10
Psalm 146:5-10 or Luke 1:46b-55
James 5:7-10
Matthew 11:2-11

December 18, 2016 – Advent 4

Restore us
Isaiah 7:10-16
Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
Romans 1:1-7
Matthew 1:18-25

December 25, 2016 – Christmas

Glory to God
Isaiah 9:2-7
Psalm 96
Titus 2:11-14
Luke 2:1-14, (15-20)

or

Isaiah 62:6-12
Psalm 97
Titus 3:4-7
Luke 2:(1-7), 8-20

or

Isaiah 52:7-10
Psalm 98
Hebrews 1:1-4, (5-12)
John 1:1-14

January 1, 2017 – Epiphany

Praise the name of the LORD
Isaiah 63:7-9
Psalm 148
Hebrews 2:10-18
Matthew 2:13-23

or

Epiphany (additional scriptures)
Isaiah 60:1-6
Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14
Ephesians 3:1-12
Matthew 2:1-12

January 8, 2017 – Baptism of the Lord

The heavens were opened
Isaiah 42:1-9
Psalm 29
Acts 10:34-43
Matthew 3:13-17

January 15, 2017

Come and see
Isaiah 49:1-7
Psalm 40:1-11
1 Corinthians 1:1-9
John 1:29-42

January 22, 2017

Light has dawned
Isaiah 9:1-4
Psalm 27:1, 4-9
1 Corinthians 1:10-18
Matthew 4:12-23

January 29, 2017

What does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?
Micah 6:1-8
Psalm 15
1 Corinthians 1:18-31
Matthew 5:1-12

February 5, 2017

The glory of the LORD
Isaiah 58:1-9a, (9b-12)
Psalm 112:1-9, (10)
1 Corinthians 2:1-12, (13-16)
Matthew 5:13-20

February 12, 2017

Choose life
Deuteronomy 30:15-20
Psalm 119:1-8
1 Corinthians 3:1-9
Matthew 5:21-37

February 19, 2017

You belong to Christ
Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18
Psalm 119:33-40
1 Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23
Matthew 5:38-48

February 26, 2017 – Transfiguration Sunday

Strive first for the kingdom of God
Isaiah 49:8-16a
Psalm 131
1 Corinthians 4:1-5
Matthew 6:24-34

or

Transfiguration (additional scriptures)
Exodus 24:12-18
Psalm 2 or Psalm 99
2 Peter 1:16-21
Matthew 17:1-9

QUARTER 3

March 5, 2017 – Lent 1

Steadfast love surrounds
Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7
Psalm 32
Romans 5:12-19
Matthew 4:1-11

March 12, 2017 – Lent 2

It depends on faith
Genesis 12:1-4a
Psalm 121
Romans 4:1-5, 13-17
John 3:1-17 or Matthew 17:1-9

March 19, 2017 – Lent 3

We have peace with God
Exodus 17:1-7
Psalm 95
Romans 5:1-11
John 4:5-42

March 26, 2017 – Lent 4

In the Lord you are light
1 Samuel 16:1-13
Psalm 23
Ephesians 5:8-14
John 9:1-41

April 2, 2017 – Lent 5

Come to life
Ezekiel 37:1-14
Psalm 130
Romans 8:6-11
John 11:1-45

April 9, 2017 – Palm Sunday

Hosanna
Liturgy of the Palms
Ps. 118:1-2, 19-29
Matthew 21:1-11
Liturgy of the Passion
Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm 31:9-16
Philippians 2:5-11
Matthew 26:14–27:66 or Matthew
27:11-54

April 16, 2017 – Easter

Raised with Christ
Acts 10:34-43 or Jeremiah 31:1-6
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
Colossians 3:1-4 or Acts 10:34-43
John 20:1-18 or Matthew 28:1-10

April 23, 2017

Living hope
Acts 2:14a, 22-32
Psalm 16
1 Peter 1:3-9
John 20:19-31

April 30, 2017

Were not our hearts
burning within us?
Acts 2:14a, 36-41
Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19
1 Peter 1:17-23
Luke 24:13-35

May 7, 2017

With gladness and simplicity
Acts 2:42-47
Psalm 23
1 Peter 2:19-25
John 10:1-10

May 14, 2017

Do not let your hearts be troubled
Acts 7:55-60
Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16
1 Peter 2:2-10
John 14:1-14

May 21, 2017 – Ascension Sunday

I will tell
Acts 17:22-31
Psalm 66:8-20
1 Peter 3:13-22
John 14:15-21
or
Ascension (additional scriptures)
Acts 1:1-11
Psalm 47 or Psalm 93
Ephesians 1:15-23
Luke 24:44-53

May 28, 2017

God cares for you
Acts 1:6-14
Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35
1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11
John 17:1-11

QUARTER 4

June 4, 2017 – Pentecost

I will pour out my Spirit
Acts 2:1-21 or Numbers 11:24-30
Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 or Acts 2:1-21
John 20:19-23 or John 7:37-39

June 11, 2017 – Trinity Sunday

God saw that the light was good
Genesis 1:1–2:4a
Psalm 8
2 Corinthians 13:11-13
Matthew 28:16-20

June 18, 2017

I bore you on eagles' wings
Exodus 19:2-8a
Psalm 100
Romans 5:1-8
Matthew 9:35–10:8, (9-23)

June 25, 2017

In newness of life
Jeremiah 20:7-13
Psalm 69:7-10, (11-15), 16-18
Romans 6:1b-11
Matthew 10:24-39

July 2, 2017

You are not under law but under grace
Jeremiah 28:5-9
Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18
Romans 6:12-23
Matthew 10:40-42

July 9, 2017

I will give you rest
Zechariah 9:9-12
Psalm 145:8-14
Romans 7:15-25a
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

July 16, 2017

A sower went out to sow
Isaiah 55:10-13
Psalm 65:(1-8), 9-13
Romans 8:1-11
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

July 23, 2017

Do not fear
Isaiah 44:6-8
Psalm 86:11-17
Romans 8:12-25
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

July 30, 2017

With sighs too deep for words
1 Kings 3:5-12
Psalm 119:129-136
Romans 8:26-39
Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

August 6, 2017

Give them something to eat
Isaiah 55:1-5
Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21
Romans 9:1-5
Matthew 14:13-21

August 13, 2017

Speak peace
1 Kings 19:9-18
Psalm 85:8-13
Romans 10:5-15
Matthew 14:22-33

August 20, 2017

A house of prayer for all peoples
Isaiah 56:1, 6-8
Psalm 67
Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32
Matthew 15:(10-20), 21-28
Luke 13:10-17

August 27, 2017

Be transformed
Isaiah 51:1-6
Psalm 138
Romans 12:1-8
Matthew 16:13-20