

## Daily Lectionary

**Tue., July 29—Reflection on Sunday**  
Psalm 119:121-128  
*Give me understanding*  
1 Kings 4:29-34  
*God gave Solomon wisdom*  
Ephesians 6:10-18  
*The allegory of the armor of God*

**Wed., July 30—Reflection on Sunday**  
Psalm 119:121-128  
*Give me understanding*  
Proverbs 1:1-7, 20-33  
*The call of wisdom*  
Mark 4:30-34  
*Jesus' use of parables*

**Th., July 31—Preparation for Sunday**  
Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21  
*You open wide your hand*  
Proverbs 10:1-5  
*The righteous will not go hungry*  
Philippians 4:10-15  
*Being well fed and yet hungry*

The Daily Lectionary is a set of readings designed to expand upon our readings for Sundays, which come from the Revised Common Lectionary. The Daily Lectionary recognizes Sunday as the principal Christian worship day; therefore, the readings are normally divided into those that prepare for the coming Sunday (Thursday through Saturday) and those that reflect upon the prior Sunday (Monday through Wednesday).

**Tue., July 1—Reflection on Sunday**  
Psalm 119:161-168  
*Loving God's law*  
1 Kings 21:17-29  
*Elijah confronts Ahab*  
1 John 4:1-6  
*Testing the spirits*

**Wed., July 2—Reflection on Sunday**  
Psalm 119:161-168  
*Loving God's law*  
Jeremiah 18:1-11  
*Jeremiah at the potter's wheel*  
Matthew 11:20-24  
*Jesus prophesies against the cities*

**Th., July 3—Preparation for Sunday**  
Psalm 145:8-14  
*God is full of compassion*  
Zechariah 1:1-6  
*Israel urged to repent*  
Romans 7:1-6  
*Dying to the law through Christ*

**Fri., July 4—Preparation for Sunday**  
Psalm 145:8-14  
*God is full of compassion*  
Zechariah 2:6-13  
*Exiles are the apples of God's eye*  
Romans 7:7-20  
*Sin and the law kill us*

**Sat., July 5—Preparation for Sunday**  
Psalm 145:8-14  
*God is full of compassion*  
Zechariah 4:1-7  
*By my Spirit, says God*  
Luke 10:21-24  
*Jesus rejoices in the Holy Spirit*

**Sun., July 6—Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**  
Zechariah 9:9-12  
*The king comes in peace*  
Psalm 145:8-14  
*God is full of compassion*  
Romans 7:15-25a  
*The struggle within the self*  
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30  
*The yoke of discipleship*

**Mon., July 7—Reflection on Sunday**  
Psalm 131  
*I rest like a weaned child on God*  
Jeremiah 27:1-11, 16-22  
*Jeremiah wears the evil yoke*  
Romans 1:18-25  
*The guilt of humankind*

**Tue., July 8—Reflection on Sunday**  
Psalm 131  
*I rest like a weaned child on God*  
Jeremiah 28:10-17  
*Hananiah breaks Jeremiah's yoke*  
Romans 3:1-8  
*The faithfulness of God*

**Wed., July 9—Reflection on Sunday**  
Psalm 131  
*I rest like a weaned child on God*  
Jeremiah 13:1-11  
*Jeremiah's loincloth*  
John 13:1-17  
*Jesus washes the disciples feet*

**Th., July 10—Preparation for Sunday**  
Psalm 65:[1-8] 9-13  
*Your paths overflow with plenty*  
Isaiah 48:1-5  
*What God declared long ago*  
Romans 2:12-16  
*God judges the secret thoughts*

**Fri., July 11—Preparation for Sunday**  
Psalm 65:[1-8] 9-13  
*Your paths overflow with plenty*  
Isaiah 48:6-11  
*You will hear new, hidden things*  
Romans 15:14-21  
*Sanctified by the Holy Spirit*

**Sat., July 12—Preparation for Sunday**  
Psalm 65:[1-8] 9-13  
*Your paths overflow with plenty*  
Isaiah 52:1-6  
*Sold, redeemed without money*  
John 12:44-50  
*I have come as light into the world*

**Sun., July 13—Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**  
Isaiah 55:10-13  
*The growth of the word*  
Psalm 65:[1-8] 9-13  
*Your paths overflow with plenty*  
Romans 8:1-11  
*Living according to the Spirit*  
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23  
*The parable of the sower and the seed*

**Mon., July 14—Reflection on Sunday**  
Psalm 92  
*The righteous as a tree*  
Leviticus 26:3-20  
*A rich and a poor harvest*  
1 Thessalonians 4:1-8  
*A life pleasing to God*

**Tue., July 15—Reflection on Sunday**  
Psalm 92  
*The righteous as a tree*  
Deuteronomy 28:1-14  
*The blessings of obedience*  
Ephesians 4:17—5:2  
*The old life and the new*

**Wed., July 16—Reflection on Sunday**  
Psalm 92  
*The righteous as a tree*  
Proverbs 11:23-30  
*The fruit of righteousness*  
Matthew 13:10-17  
*The purpose of the parable*

**Th., July 17—Preparation for Sunday**  
Psalm 86:11-17  
*Teach me your ways*  
Isaiah 41:21-29  
*The futility of idols*  
Hebrews 2:1-9  
*Warning to pay attention*

**Fri., July 18—Preparation for Sunday**  
Psalm 86:11-17  
*Teach me your ways*  
Isaiah 44:9-17  
*Those who make idols are nothing*  
Hebrews 6:13-20  
*The certainty of God's promises*

**Sat., July 19—Preparation for Sunday**  
Psalm 86:11-17  
*Teach me your ways*  
Isaiah 44:18-20  
*Idols do not know or comprehend*  
Matthew 7:15-20  
*A tree and its fruit*

**Sun., July 20—Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
Wisdom 12:13, 16-19  
*God's sovereignty*  
or Isaiah 44:6-8  
*There is no other God*  
Psalm 86:11-17  
*Teach me your ways*  
Romans 8:12-25  
*The revealing of the children of God*  
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43  
*The parable of the weeds*

**Mon., July 21—Reflection on Sunday**  
Psalm 75  
*God's judgment*  
Nahum 1:1-13  
*The wrath and mercy of God*  
Revelation 14:12-20  
*The harvest at the end of time*

**Tue., July 22—Reflection on Sunday**  
Psalm 75  
*God's judgment*  
Zephaniah 3:1-13  
*The wicked convert to God*  
Galatians 4:21—5:1  
*An allegory about those saved*

**Wed., July 23—Reflection on Sunday**  
Psalm 75  
*God's judgment*  
Daniel 12:1-13  
*The righteous will shine*  
Matthew 12:15-21  
*God's chosen servant*

**Th., July 24—Preparation for Sunday**  
Psalm 119:129-136  
*Light and understanding*  
1 Kings 1:28-37  
*Solomon designated as king*  
1 Corinthians 4:14-20  
*Reign of God depends not on talk but on power*

**Fri., July 25—Preparation for Sunday**  
Psalm 119:129-136  
*Light and understanding*  
1 Kings 1:38-48  
*Solomon more famous than David*  
Acts 7:44-53  
*Solomon's temple cannot contain God*

**Sat., July 26—Preparation for Sunday**  
Psalm 119:129-136  
*Light and understanding*  
1 Kings 2:1-4  
*David's instructions to Solomon*  
Matthew 12:38-42  
*Something greater than Solomon is here*

**Sun., July 27—Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**  
1 Kings 3:5-12  
*Solomon's prayer for wisdom*  
Psalm 119:129-136  
*Light and understanding*  
Romans 8:26-39  
*Nothing can separate us from God's love*  
Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52  
*Parables of the reign of heaven*

**Mon., July 28—Reflection on Sunday**  
Psalm 119:121-128  
*Give me understanding*  
1 Kings 3:16-28  
*Solomon's wisdom in judgment*  
James 3:13-18  
*Two kinds of wisdom*