



DIGITAL COMMON LECTIONARY

2023 - 2024

YEAR A

A lectionary provides a series of readings to help people engage a range of scripture.

The Digital Common Lectionary (DCL) offers readings for each Sunday of the year on a four-year cycle, beginning on the first Sunday in Advent. Each year the DCL focuses on a Gospel, explores readings from our Wisdom Literature, follows a Metanarrative pathway, and offers a monthly social media calendar. The DCL reminds us to keep connected with our global community and invites preachers to sync their sermons with discussions happening across public and social forums.

The DCL is an Australian lectionary connecting us to Australian dates and events - keep in mind your communities' own social calendars and substitute these days accordingly.

Liturgical Colours

The DCL follows the liturgical colours of the Methodist tradition, however, please adapt to best serve your communities.

The Gospel Readings

Across the four-year cycle the DCL spends a year exploring one Gospel. Year A follows The Gospel of Matthew and includes a series of secondary readings for each Sunday.

Wisdom Literature

Across the four-year cycle the DCL spends a year exploring one of the Wisdom books of the Bible. Year A follows the Book of Job.

Metanarrative Pathway

Across the four-year cycle the DCL spends a year following one story arc of scripture. Year A sees us journeying through a Creation story; The tower of Babel; Sodom & Gomorrah; Isaac & Rebekah; Jacob; Deborah; Samson & Delilah; Samuel; David; Micah; Jesus' birth, life, death and resurrection; stories through The Book of Acts; Galatians; Ephesians and finishing in the Book of Revelation.

Social Media Calendar

Of course, there are a large number of dates and events that take place across our communities. If you believe there are dates/events that are specific to your context, please feel free to addition them to your own calendar.

ADVENT

A season observed on the lead up to Christmas. It is a time of preparation and expectancy, often celebrating the themes of peace, hope, love and joy.

DATE	DAY	COLOUR	GOSPEL	SECONDARY READING	WISDOM	META	SOCIAL
Dec 3 2023	Advent 1	Purple	Matthew 1:1-17	Ruth 4:18-22	Job 1:6-12	Genesis 1:1-2:3	DECEMBER
Dec 10 2023	Advent 2	Purple	Matthew 2:1-12	Micah 5:1-6	Job 1:20-22	Genesis 11:1-9	1 #worldAIDSday 3 #IDPWD
Dec 17 2023	Advent 3	Purple	Matthew 2:13-18	Hosea 11:1-7	Job 2:11-13	Genesis 19:15-29	4 #cookieday 5 #volunteerdayer
Dec 24 2023	Advent 4	Purple	Matthew 2:19-23	Luke 2:39-40	Job 3:3-26	Genesis 24	10 #humanrightsdayer 15 #cupcakedayer 21 #crosswordpuzzledayer

CHRISTMAS

A season encompassing Christmas Day and the surrounding Christmas celebratory events. It is a time of celebration and spends time recalling the stories of Jesus' birth.

Dec 24 2023	Christmas Eve	White	Matthew 1:18-21	Isaiah 7:10-16			
Dec 25 2023	Christmas Day	White	Matthew 1:22-25	Luke 2:1-7			
Dec 31 2023	Christmas 1	White	Matthew 3:1-12	Isaiah 40:1-5			
Jan 1 2024	New Years Day	White	Matthew 4:1-11	Mark 1:12-13	Job 4:1-6	Genesis 25:19-34	JANUARY
							Month #veganuary 4 #worldbrailledayer 26 #invasionday 28 #worldleprosyday

EPIPHANY

A season for reflection on Christ's divinity. It is a time spent remembering the stories of Jesus' divine manifestations.

Jan 6 2024	Epiphany of the Lord	White	Matthew 4:12-22	Isaiah 9:1-7			
Jan 7 2024	Baptism of Jesus	White	Matthew 4:23-25	Mark 3:7-12			
Jan 14 2024	Epiphany 2	Green	Matthew 5:1-12	Psalms 1:1-6	Job 8:20-22	Genesis 27:1-40	
Jan 21 2024	Epiphany 3	Green	Matthew 5:13-16	Philipp 2:12-18	Job 9:3-13	Genesis 28:10-22	
Jan 28 2024	Epiphany 4	Green	Matthew 5:17-26	Luke 12:57-59	Job 10:9-12	Genesis 29:14-30	
Feb 2 2024	Presentation of the Lord	Green	Matthew 5:33-37	Num 30:1-16	Job 11:7-9	Judges 4-5	FEBRUARY
Feb 4 2024	Epiphany 5	Green	Matthew 5:38-48	Lev 24:17-23	Job 11:13-18	Judges 16	Month #febfast 4 #worldcancerday 6 #waitangiday 9 #pizzaday 10 #chinesenewyear
Feb 11 2024	Transfiguration of Jesus	White	Matthew 17:1-9	2 Peter 1:16-21	Job 13:15	1 Samuel 8	

LENT

A season observed on the lead up to Easter, encompassing prayer, fasting and almsgiving. It is a time of dedication and renewal to being followers of Christ.

Feb 14 2024	Ash Wednesday	Purple	Matthew 6:1-6	Deut 15:7-11			
Feb 18 2024	Lent 1	Purple	Matthew 6:5-15	Luke 11:1-4	Job 12:13-25	1 Samuel 3	
Feb 25 2024	Lent 2	Purple	Matthew 6:19-24	Luke 11:33-36	Job 14:1-14	1 Samuel 9-10	

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Mar 3 2024	Lent 3	Purple	Matthew 6:25-34	Luke 12:22-31	Job 17:11-15	1 Samuel 16:1-13	MARCH
Mar 10 2024	Lent 4	Purple	Matthew 7:1-6	Romans 14:1-2	Job 19:23-27	1 Samuel 16:14-23	18-24 #neurodiversityweek 1 #worlddayofprayer #employeeappreciationday
Mar 17 2024	Lent 5	Purple	Matthew 7:15-27	Luke 6:43-49	Job 21:4-16	1 Samuel 17	3 #cleanupaustaliaday #internationalwomensday
Mar 24 2024	Palm Sunday	Purple	Matthew 21:1-11	John 12:12-19	Job 21:22-26	1 Samuel 19	8 #internationalwomensday 10 #marioday 14 #pieday
Mar 25 2024	Annunciation of the Lord	Purple	Matthew 7:5-13	John 4:43-54			21 #closethegapday #harmonyday
Mar 25 2024	Holy Monday	Purple	Matthew 26:1-5	John 11:45-57			22 #worldwaterday 25 #earthhour
Mar 26 2024	Holy Tuesday	Purple	Matthew 26:6-13	John 12:1-8			31 #neighbourday #transvisabilityday
Mar 27 2024	Holy Wednesday	Purple	Matthew 26:16-19	Mark 14:10-16			
Mar 28 2024	Maundy Thursday	Purple	Matthew 26:20-30	1 Corin 11:17-34			
Mar 29 2024	Good Friday	Black	Matthew 27:37-54	Psalm 22:1-31			
Mar 30 2024	Holy Saturday	Black	Matthew 27:57-66	Isaiah 53:9-12			

EASTER

A season beginning with Resurrection Sunday. It is a time of celebration as we remember Christ's resurrection and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

Mar 31 2024	Easter Day	White	Matthew 28:1-10	John 20:1-9			
Apr 7 2024	Easter 2	White	Matthew 7:28-8:4	Isaiah 7:10-14	Job 22:12-14	1 Samuel 24, 26	APRIL
Apr 14 2024	Easter 3	White	Matthew 8:18-27	John 6:59-66	Job 22:21-26	1 Samuel 28:4-25	21-27 #volunteerweek 1 #aprilfoolsday 2 #autismawarenessday 6 #pajamaday 25 #anzacday 28 #payitforwardday
Apr 21 2024	Easter 4	White	Matthew 8:28-34	Mark 5:1-20	Job 23:3	2 Samuel 5:1-12	
Apr 28 2024	Easter 5	White	Matthew 9:1-13	Mark 2:1-17	Job 23:8-12	2 Samuel 11	
May 5 2024	Easter 6	White	Matthew 9:18-26	Luke 8:40-56	Job 24:22-25	2 Samuel 12:1-15	MAY
May 9 2024	Ascension Day	White	Matthew 26:6-13	Luke 7:36-50			27-3 (June) #reconciliationweek 3 #worldasthmaday 4 #starwarsday 17 #IDAHOBIT #internetday 18 #nodirtydishesday 25 #biggestmorningtea 26 #nationalsorryday 28 #hamburgerday
May 12 2024	Easter 7	White	Matthew 9:27-34	Mark 7:31-37	Job 25:2	2 Samuel 18	
May 19 2024	Pentecost	Red	Matthew 3:13-17	Acts 2:1-21			

ORDINARY TIME

A season observed across the duration of the Christian calendar. It is a time of remembering what it means to embody our faith in service and mission.

May 26 2024	Trinity Sunday	White	Matthew 28:16-20	Mark 16:14-18			
Jun 2 2024	Pentecost 2	Green	Matthew 10:16-25	2 Tim 1:3-12	Job 26:6-13	1 Kings 1:22-40	JUNE
Jun 9 2024	Pentecost 3	Green	Matthew 10:34-39	Micah 7:1-6	Job 26:14	Micah 1-4	10-16 #menshealthweek 16-22 #refugeeweek 1 #tabletopday 3 #maboday 4 #cheeseday 5 #worldenvironmentday 7 #donutday 14 #donatebloodday 21 #selfieday 30 #socialmediaday
Jun 16 2024	Pentecost 4	Green	Matthew 11:1-19	Luke 7:18-35	Job 27:2-6	Micah 5-7	

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Jun 23 2024	Pentecost 5	Green	Matthew 12:1-8	Samuel 21:1-7	Job 28:1-11	Luke 2:1-7	
Jun 30 2024	Pentecost 6	Green	Matthew 12:9-21	Isaiah 42:1-9	Job 28:12-19	Matthew 2:1-12	
Jul 7 2024	Pentecost 7	Green	Matthew 12:30-37	Mark 3:28-30	Job 28:20-24	Matthew 3:13-17	JULY
Jul 14 2024	Pentecost 8	Green	Matthew 12:38-45	Jonah 3:1-10	Job 28:25-28	Matthew 26:36-56	3-10 #naidocweek 18-24 #refugeeweek 7 #worldchocolateday 30 #friendshipday
Jul 21 2024	Pentecost 9	Green	Matthew 13:1-23	Isaiah 6:1-13	Job 29:1-6	Matthew 27:1-26	
Jul 28 2024	Pentecost 10	Green	Matt 13:24-30, 36-43	Zeph 1:1-6	Job 30:20-31	Matthew 27:31-56	AUGUST
Aug 4 2024	Pentecost 11	Green	Matthew 13:31-35	Psalms 78:1-72	Job 31:5-8	Matthew 28:1-15	4 #chocchipcookiaday #jeansforgenesday 9 #worldsindigenouspeoplesday 12 #internationalyouthday 21 #seniorcitizensday 30 #wearitpurpleday 31 #daffodilday
Aug 11 2024	Pentecost 12	Green	Matthew 13:44-58	Luke 4:16-30	Job 32:6-14	Matthew 28:16-20	
Aug 18 2024	Pentecost 13	Green	Matthew 14:13-21	Mark 6:30-44	Job 33:4-7	John 21:1-25	
Aug 25 2024	Pentecost 14	Green	Matthew 15:1-20	Mark 7:1-23	Job 33:14	Acts 1:12-2:47	
Sept 1 2024	Pentecost 15	Green	Matthew 15:21-28	Mark 7:24-30	Job 34:10-15	Acts 3:1-10	SEPTEMBER
Sept 8 2024	Pentecost 16	Green	Matthew 15:29-39	2 Kings 4:42-44	Job 35:2	Acts 6:8-7:1, 54-60	Month #liptember #safewaterseptember
Sept 15 2024	Pentecost 17	Green	Matthew 16:1-12	Mark 8:11-21	Job 36:5-7	Acts 12:1-17	7 #indigenousliteracyday 12 #ruokday 23 #bivisabilityday
Sept 22 2024	Pentecost 18	Green	Matthew 17:14-20	Luke 17:5-10	Job 36:24-33	Acts 11:19-26	
Sept 29 2024	Pentecost 19	Green	Matthew 18:10-14	Luke 15:1-7	Job 37:10-13	Acts 19:1-20:1	
Oct 6 2024	Pentecost 20	Green	Matthew 18:21-35	Rom 12:14-21	Job 37:19-24	Galatians 1-2	OCTOBER
Oct 13 2024	Pentecost 21	Green	Matthew 19:16-30	Luke 18:18-30	Job 38:1,4-7	Galatians 3-4	Month #inktober
Oct 20 2024	Pentecost 22	Green	Matthew 20:1-19	Luke 18:31-34	Job 38:1,8-10	Galatians 5-6	21-27 #asexualawareness 1 #internationalcoffeeday 8 #lesbianday 10 #worldmentalhealthday 11 #comingoutday 16 #ridetoworkday 26 #intersexawarenessday
Oct 27 2024	Pentecost 23	Green	Matthew 21:18-22	Mark 11:12-14, 20-25	Job 38:16-18	Ephesians 1-3	
Nov 1 2024	All Saints Day	White	Matthew 22:23-33	Rev 7:9-17			NOVEMBER
Nov 3 2024	Pentecost 24	Green	Matthew 22:34-46	Deut 6:1-19	Job 39:13-18	Ephesians 4-5	Month #movember
Nov 10 2024	Pentecost 25	Green	Matthew 24:36-39, 25:1-13	Genesis 6:1-7	Job 41:1-11	Ephesians 6	13-19 transgenderawareness 11 #remembranceday 13 #worldkindnessday 16 #fastfoodday 20 #transremembranceday 21 #worldhelloday 23 #nationalespressoday
Nov 17 2024	Pentecost 26	Green	Matthew 25:14-30	Luke 19:11-27	Job 42:2-6	Rev 21:1-22:6	
Nov 24 2024	Christ the King	White	Matthew 25:31-46	Isaiah 9:6	Matthew 22:23-33	Rev 7:9-17	



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