

| Date       | Season                                | Old Testament          | Psalm    | Epistle               | Gospel          | 8:00am                  | 10:00am        |
|------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------|----------|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| 01/07/2024 | 1st Sunday after Epiphany (Epiphany)  | Isaiah 60: 1-9         | 46 (397) | Ephesians 3: 1-12     | Matthew 2: 1-12 | Linda -OT/P<br>Diane -E | Lionel/Michael |
| 01/14/2024 | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany | Zechariah 8: 1-8,20-23 | 29 (373) | Romans 12: 6-16a      | Mark 1: 1-11    | Diane OT/P<br>Linda - E | Lionel/Michael |
| 01/21/2024 | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany | Isaiah 41: 8-20        | 12(354)  | Romans 12: 16b-21     | John 2:1-11     | Linda -OT/P<br>Diane -E | Lionel/Michael |
| 01/28/2024 | Septuagesima                          | Joshua 1: 1-9          | 20 (364) | 1 Corinthians 9:24-27 | Matthew 20:1-16 | Diane OT/P<br>Linda - E | Lionel/Michael |

### **1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Epiphany (Epiphany Readings): (01/07/2024)**

#### **Old Testament: Isaiah 60: 1-9**

60 <sup>1</sup>Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee.

<sup>2</sup> For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee.

<sup>3</sup> And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.

<sup>4</sup> Lift up thine eyes round about, and see: all they gather themselves together, they come to thee: thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side.

<sup>5</sup> Then thou shalt see, and flow together, and thine heart shall fear, and be enlarged; because the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the forces of the Gentiles shall come unto thee.

<sup>6</sup> The multitude of camels shall cover thee, the dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; all they from Sheba shall come: they shall bring gold and incense; and they shall shew forth the praises of the LORD.

<sup>7</sup> All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered together unto thee, the rams of Nebaioth shall minister unto thee: they shall come up with acceptance on mine altar, and I will glorify the house of my glory.

<sup>8</sup> Who are these that fly as a cloud, and as the doves to their windows?

<sup>9</sup> Surely the isles shall wait for me, and the ships of Tarshish first, to bring thy sons from far, their silver and their gold with them, unto the name of the LORD thy God, and to the Holy One of Israel, because he hath glorified thee.

#### **Psalm: 46 (397)**

1 GOD is our hope and strength, \* a very present help in trouble.

2 Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be moved, \* and though the hills be carried into the midst of the sea;

3 Though the waters thereof rage and swell, \* and though the mountains shake at the tempest of the same.

4 There is a river, the streams whereof make glad the city of God; \* the holy place of the tabernacle of the Most Highest.

5 God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not be removed; \* God shall help her, and that right early.

6 The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are moved; \* but God hath showed his voice, and the earth shall melt away.

7 The LORD of hosts is with us; \* the God of Jacob is our refuge.

8 O come hither, and behold the works of the LORD, \* what destruction he hath brought upon the earth.

9 He maketh wars to cease in all the world; \* he breaketh the bow, and knappeth the spear in sunder, and burneth the chariots in the fire.

10 Be still then, and know that I am God: \* I will be exalted among the nations, and I will be exalted in the earth.

11 The LORD of hosts is with us; \* the God of Jacob is our refuge.

**Epistle: Ephesians 3: 1-12**

3 For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles,

<sup>2</sup> If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward:

<sup>3</sup> How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words,

<sup>4</sup> Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ)

<sup>5</sup> Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;

<sup>6</sup> That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel:

<sup>7</sup> Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power.

<sup>8</sup> Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ;

<sup>9</sup> And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:

<sup>10</sup> To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God,

<sup>11</sup> According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord:

<sup>12</sup> In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.

**Old Testament: Zechariah 8: 1-8,20-23**

8 Again the word of the LORD of hosts came to me, saying,

<sup>2</sup> Thus saith the LORD of hosts; I was jealous for Zion with great jealousy, and I was jealous for her with great fury.

<sup>3</sup> Thus saith the LORD; I am returned unto Zion, and will dwell in the midst of Jerusalem: and Jerusalem shall be called a city of truth; and the mountain of the LORD of hosts the holy mountain.

<sup>4</sup> Thus saith the LORD of hosts; There shall yet old men and old women dwell in the streets of Jerusalem, and every man with his staff in his hand for very age.

<sup>5</sup> And the streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in the streets thereof.

<sup>6</sup> Thus saith the LORD of hosts; If it be marvellous in the eyes of the remnant of this people in these days, should it also be marvellous in mine eyes? saith the LORD of hosts.

<sup>7</sup> Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Behold, I will save my people from the east country, and from the west country;

<sup>8</sup> And I will bring them, and they shall dwell in the midst of Jerusalem: and they shall be my people, and I will be their God, in truth and in righteousness.

<sup>20</sup> Thus saith the LORD of hosts; It shall yet come to pass, that there shall come people, and the inhabitants of many cities:

<sup>21</sup> And the inhabitants of one city shall go to another, saying, Let us go speedily to pray before the LORD, and to seek the LORD of hosts: I will go also.

<sup>22</sup> Yea, many people and strong nations shall come to seek the LORD of hosts in Jerusalem, and to pray before the LORD.

<sup>23</sup> Thus saith the LORD of hosts; In those days it shall come to pass, that ten men shall take hold out of all languages of the nations, even shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew, saying, We will go with you: for we have heard that God is with you.

**Psalm: 29 (373)**

ASCRIBE unto the LORD, O ye mighty, \* ascribe unto the LORD worship and strength.

2 Ascribe unto the LORD the honour due unto his Name; \* worship the LORD with holy worship.

3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; \* it is the glorious God that maketh the thunder.

4 It is the LORD that ruleth the sea; the voice of the LORD is mighty in operation; \* the voice of the LORD is a glorious voice.

5 The voice of the LORD breaketh the cedar-trees; \* yea, the LORD breaketh the cedars of Lebanon.

6 He maketh them also to skip like a calf; \* Lebanon also, and Sirion, like a young unicorn.

7 The voice of the LORD divideth the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD shaketh the wilderness; \* yea, the LORD shaketh the wilderness of Kadesh.

8 The voice of the LORD maketh the hinds to bring forth young, and strippeth bare the forests: \* in his temple doth every thing speak of his honour.

9 The LORD sitteth above the water-flood, \* and the LORD remaineth a King for ever.

10 The LORD shall give strength unto his people; \* the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

**Epistle: Romans 12: 6-16**

<sup>6</sup> Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith;

<sup>7</sup> Or ministry, let us wait on our ministering: or he that teacheth, on teaching;

<sup>8</sup> Or he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness.

<sup>9</sup> Let love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good.

<sup>10</sup> Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another;

<sup>11</sup> Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord;

<sup>12</sup> Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer;

<sup>13</sup> Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality.

<sup>14</sup> Bless them which persecute you: bless, and curse not.

<sup>15</sup> Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep.

<sup>16</sup> Be of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate

**Old Testament: Isaiah 41: 8-20**

<sup>8</sup> But thou, Israel, art my servant, Jacob whom I have chosen, the seed of Abraham my friend.

<sup>9</sup> Thou whom I have taken from the ends of the earth, and called thee from the chief men thereof, and said unto thee, Thou art my servant; I have chosen thee, and not cast thee away.

<sup>10</sup> Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.

<sup>11</sup> Behold, all they that were incensed against thee shall be ashamed and confounded: they shall be as nothing; and they that strive with thee shall perish.

<sup>12</sup> Thou shalt seek them, and shalt not find them, even them that contended with thee: they that war against thee shall be as nothing, and as a thing of nought.

<sup>13</sup> For I the LORD thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee.

<sup>14</sup> Fear not, thou worm Jacob, and ye men of Israel; I will help thee, saith the LORD, and thy redeemer, the Holy One of Israel.

<sup>15</sup> Behold, I will make thee a new sharp threshing instrument having teeth: thou shalt thresh the mountains, and beat them small, and shalt make the hills as chaff.

<sup>16</sup> Thou shalt fan them, and the wind shall carry them away, and the whirlwind shall scatter them: and thou shalt rejoice in the LORD, and shalt glory in the Holy One of Israel.

<sup>17</sup> When the poor and needy seek water, and there is none, and their tongue faileth for thirst, I the LORD will hear them, I the God of Israel will not forsake them.

<sup>18</sup> I will open rivers in high places, and fountains in the midst of the valleys: I will make the wilderness a pool of water, and the dry land springs of water.

<sup>19</sup> I will plant in the wilderness the cedar, the shittah tree, and the myrtle, and the oil tree; I will set in the desert the fir tree, and the pine, and the box tree together:

<sup>20</sup> That they may see, and know, and consider, and understand together, that the hand of the LORD hath done this, and the Holy One of Israel hath created it.

**Psalm: 12 (354)**

HELP me, LORD, for there is not one godly man left; \* for the faithful are minished from among the children of men.

2 They talk of vanity every one with his neighbour; \* they do but flatter with their lips, and dissemble in their double heart.

3 The LORD shall root out all deceitful lips, \* and the tongue that speaketh proud things;

4 Which have said, With our tongue will we prevail; \* we are they that ought to speak; who is lord over us?

5 Now, for the comfortless troubles' sake of the needy, \* and because of the deep sighing of the poor,

6 I will up, saith the LORD; \* and will help every one from him that swelleth against him, and will set him at rest.

7 The words of the LORD are pure words; \* even as the silver which from the earth is tried, and purified seven times in the fire.

8 Thou shalt keep them, O LORD; \* thou shalt preserve them from this generation for ever.

9 The ungodly walk on every side: \* when they are exalted, the children of men are put to rebuke.

**Epistle: Romans 12:16b-21**

16b Be not wise in your own conceits.

17 Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men.

18 If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.

19 Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord.

20 Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head.

21 Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

**Septuagesima: (01/28/2024)**

**Old Testament: Joshua 1:1-9**

1 Now after the death of Moses the servant of the LORD it came to pass, that the LORD spake unto Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' minister, saying,

2 Moses my servant is dead; now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, thou, and all this people, unto the land which I do give to them, even to the children of Israel.

3 Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given unto you, as I said unto Moses.

<sup>4</sup> From the wilderness and this Lebanon even unto the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, and unto the great sea toward the going down of the sun, shall be your coast.

<sup>5</sup> There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life: as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

<sup>6</sup> Be strong and of a good courage: for unto this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land, which I sware unto their fathers to give them.

<sup>7</sup> Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper withersoever thou goest.

<sup>8</sup> This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

<sup>9</sup> Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.

**Psalm: 20 (364)**

THE LORD hear thee in the day of trouble; \* the Name of the God of Jacob defend thee:

2 Send thee help from the sanctuary, \* and strengthen thee out of Sion:

3 Remember all thy offerings, \* and accept thy burnt-sacrifice:

4 Grant thee thy heart's desire, \* and fulfil all thy mind.

5 We will rejoice in thy salvation, and triumph in the Name of the Lord our God: \* the LORD perform all thy petitions.

6 Now know I that the LORD helpeth his anointed, and will hear him from his holy heaven, \* even with the wholesome strength of his right hand.

7 Some put their trust in chariots, and some in horses; \* but we will remember the Name of the LORD our God.

8 They are brought down and fallen; \* but we are risen and stand upright.

9 Save, LORD; and hear us, O King of heaven, \* when we call upon thee.

Glory be to the father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen

**Epistle: 1 Corinthians 9: 24-27**

<sup>4</sup> Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain.

<sup>25</sup> And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible.

<sup>26</sup> I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air:

<sup>27</sup> But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.