

# THE CALENDAR OF DAILY READINGS AND PUBLIC WORSHIP FOR APRIL 2025



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## HOW TO READ AND USE THIS DOCUMENT:

This document shares the daily readings, feasts, and more for you to pray the daily office, worship in community, study the bible following the patterns of the church, and find your own devotional practices (see ideas on the next page). This is not meant to overwhelm, but to give a multitude of options for your prayer, worship, and reflection. These readings come from the Book of Common Prayer Daily Office Lectionary (p. 933f) with additions and details relevant to our life at St. John's. Below is a sample "day" with each piece explained.

*Day*                   Morning Psalm(s) ♦ Evening Psalm(s)  
                          Old Testament | New Testament | Gospel  
*Worship Opportunities (if any)*

*Monday*            89:1–18 ♦ 89:19–52  
                          Jer. 16:10–21 | Rom. 7:1–12 | John 6:1–15  
*Holy Eucharist at 12:10p in the chapel.*

Red letters indicate a **Feast Day**. These days often change the regular pattern of readings to readings that point to the occasion. An optional reading, optional psalm, or optional verses may be indicated by brackets or parentheses. *Black italic text* is a rubric, or direction, from the Book of Common Prayer. Worship opportunities at church are announced by the *purple italic text* below each day. The header for each week is in **SMALL CAPS** along with the dates; each day below that follows is part of that week.

## PRACTICES:

You can use these readings in a variety of ways! We suggest you pick one practice and try it for the whole month, or at least a week to get a feel for it before switching.

- ♦ Pick one category (Old Testament, New Testament, Gospel) and read the designated passage each day.
- ♦ Use a form for Morning, Noon, Early Evening, or Close of Day Devotional in the Book of Common Prayer (P. 136-140). Pick one reading, one psalm, or both and add in place of the provided psalm or reading where appropriate. This is closest to our **Prayer Challenge** experience at St. John's.
- ♦ Use an app or website like the Forward Movement App to provide these readings, or the full text of Morning or Evening Prayer – no page turning! Find at [www.prayer.forwardmovement.org](http://www.prayer.forwardmovement.org)
- ♦ Turn your walk, run, commute, or other time where you can listen to a podcast version of Morning and Evening Prayer – see link above!
- ♦ Try out Morning Prayer (75) or Evening Prayer (115) with your Book of Common Prayer and Bible with these guides!
- ♦ Choose one of these practices that might be appropriate to share in your household – simplify if needed for little ones!

## For April 2025 in particular...

- ♦ Join for Morning Prayer via Zoom (through April 18). We read the Old Testament, Morning Psalm(s), and Gospel.
- ♦ Make the effort to come to the special Holy Week Services, particularly the **Triduum** – **Maundy Thursday, Good Friday**, and the **Great Vigil of Easter**. This is the heart of the liturgical year and the fullest expression of the center of our faith.

## WEEK OF 4 LENT | MARCH 31 – APRIL 5

*Morning Prayer via Zoom Monday-Friday at 8:00a*

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| Monday    | 89:1–18 ♦ 89:19–52<br>Jer. 16:10–21   Rom. 7:1–12   John 6:1–15                           |
| Tuesday   | 97, 99, [100] ♦ 94, [95]<br>Jer. 17:19–27   Rom. 7:13–25   John 6:16–27                   |
| Wednesday | 101, 109:1–4(5–19)20–30 ♦ 119:121–144<br>Jer. 18:1–11   Rom. 8:1–11   John 6:27–40        |
|           | <i>No Holy Eucharist (April 2)</i>  |
| Thursday  | 69:1–23(24–30)31–36 ♦ 73<br>Jer. 22:13–23   Rom. 8:12–27   John 6:41–51                   |
| Friday    | 95 ( <i>Opening Psalm</i> ) & 102 ♦ 107:1–32<br>Jer. 23:1–8   Rom. 8:28–39   John 6:52–59 |
| Saturday  | 107:33–43, 108:1–6(7–13) ♦ 33<br>Jer. 23:9–15   Rom. 9:1–18   John 6:60–71                |

## WEEK OF 5 LENT | APRIL 6 – APRIL 12

*Morning Prayer via Zoom Monday-Friday at 8:00a*

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| Sunday    | 118 ♦ 145<br>Jer. 23:16–32   1 Cor. 9:19–27   Mark 8:31–9:1                                  |
|           | <i>Holy Eucharist at 8:00a &amp; 10:30a, Church</i>  |
| Monday    | 31 ♦ 35<br>Jer. 24:1–10   Rom. 9:19–33   John 9:1–17   |
| Tuesday   | [120], 121, 122, 123 ♦ 124, 125, 126, [127]<br>Jer. 25:8–17   Rom. 10:1–13   John 9:18–41    |
| Wednesday | 119:145–176 ♦ 128, 129, 130<br>Jer. 25:30–38   Rom. 10:14–21   John 10:1–18                  |
|           | <i>Holy Eucharist at 12:10p, Chapel</i>  |
| Thursday  | 131, 132, [133] ♦ 140, 142<br>Jer. 26:1–16   Rom. 11:1–12   John 10:19–42                    |
| Friday    | 95 & 22 ♦ 141, 143:1–11(12)<br>Jer. 29:1, 4–13   Rom. 11:13–24  <br>John 11:1–27, or 12:1–10 |
|           | <i>Stations of the Cross at 5:30p starting at the Chapel</i>                                 |
| Saturday  | 137:1–6(7–9), 144 ♦ 42, 43<br>Jer. 31:27–34   Rom. 11:25–36  <br>John 11:28–44, or 12:37–50  |

## HOLY WEEK | APRIL 13 – APRIL 19

*Morning Prayer via Zoom Monday-Friday at 8:00a*

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|                        | <i>Palm Sunday</i> 24, 29 ♦ 103<br><i>Morning:</i> Zech. 9:9–12   1 Tim. 6:12–16<br><i>Evening:</i> Zech. 12:9–11; 13:1, 7–9   Matt. 21:12–17<br><i>Holy Eucharist at 8:00a and 10:30a, Church</i> |
| <i>Monday</i>          | 51:1–18(18–19) ♦ 69:1–23<br>Jer. 12:1–16   Phil. 3:1–14   John 12:9–19   |
|                        | <i>Holy Eucharist at 12:10p, Chapel</i>  |
| <i>Tuesday</i>         | 6, 12 ♦ 94<br>Jer. 15:10–21   Phil. 3:15–21   John 12:20–26  |
|                        | <i>Holy Eucharist at 12:10p, Chapel</i>  |
| <i>Wednesday</i>       | 55 ♦ 74<br>Jer. 17:5–10, 14–17   Phil. 4:1–13   John 12:27–36  |
|                        | <i>Holy Eucharist at 12:10p, Chapel</i>  |
| <i>Maundy Thursday</i> | 102 ♦ 142, 143<br>Jer. 20:7–11   1 Cor. 10:14–17; 11:27–32  <br>John 17:1–11(12–26)  |

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|                      | <i>Holy Eucharist &amp; Footwashing at 7:00p, Church</i><br><i>Gethsemane Watch from 8:00p–8:00a, Chapel</i>               |
| <i>Good Friday</i>   | 95 & 22 ♦ 40:1–14(15–17), 54<br>Wisdom 1:16–2:1, 12–22, or Gen. 22:1–14   1<br>Peter 1:10–20   John 13:36–38 John 19:38–42 |
|                      | <i>Morning Prayer at 8:00a, Chapel &amp; via Zoom</i>  |
|                      | <i>Good Friday Liturgy at 3:00p, Church</i>  |
| <i>Holy Saturday</i> | 95 & 88 ♦ 27<br>Job 19:21–27a   Heb. 4:1–16   Rom. 8:1–11  |
|                      | <i>The Great Vigil of Easter at 8:00p, Church</i>  |

## EASTER DAY | APRIL 20

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|  | 148, 149, 150 ♦ 113, 114, or 118<br><i>Morning:</i> Exod. 12:1–14   John 1:1–18<br><i>Evening:</i> Isa. 51:9–11   Luke 24:13–35, or John 20:19–23<br><i>Holy Eucharist at 8:00a and 10:30a, Church</i> |
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## EASTER WEEK | APRIL 21 – APRIL 26

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| <i>Monday</i>    | 93, 98 ♦ 66<br>Jonah 2:1–9   Acts 2:14, 22–32  <br>John 14:1–14                                      |
| <i>Tuesday</i>   | 103 ♦ 111, 114<br>Isa. 30:18–21   Acts 2:36–41 (42–47)  <br>John 14:15–31                            |
| <i>Wednesday</i> | 97, 99 ♦ 115<br>Micah 7:7–15   Acts 3:1–10   John 15:1–11<br><i>Holy Eucharist at 12:10p, Chapel</i> |
| <i>Thursday</i>  | 146, 147 ♦ 148, 149<br>Ezek. 37:1–14   Acts 3:11–26   John 15:12–27                                  |
| <i>Friday</i>    | 136 ♦ 118<br>Dan. 12:1–4, 13   Acts 4:1–12   John 16:1–15  |
| <i>Saturday</i>  | 145 ♦ 104<br>Isa. 25:1–9   Acts 4:13–21 (22–31)  <br>John 16:16–33                                   |

## WEEK OF 2 EASTER | APRIL 27–30

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| <i>Sunday</i>    | 146, 147 ♦ 111, 112, 113<br>Isa. 43:8–13   1 Pet. 2:2–10   John 14:1–7<br><i>Holy Eucharist at 8:00a and 10:30a, Church</i>                                    |
| <i>Monday</i>    | <i>St. Mark the Evangelist (Transferred)</i><br>145 ♦ 67, 96<br>Morning: Ecclesiasticus 2:1–11   Acts 12:25–13:3<br>Evening: Isaiah 62:6–12   2 Timothy 4:1–11 |
| <i>Tuesday</i>   | 5, 6 ♦ 10, 11<br>Dan. 2:1–16   1 John 2:1–11   John 17:12–19   |
| <i>Wednesday</i> | 119:1–24 ♦ 12, 13, 14<br>Dan. 2:17–30   1 John 2:12–17   John 17:20–26<br><i>Holy Eucharist at 12:10p, Chapel</i>  |

*A new leaflet will be made available by the last week of April picking up in the Week of Second Easter!*