

CONFESSING CHRIST-DAILY LECTIONARY AND PRAYERS Pentecost/Trinity (1) 2011  
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"O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!" (Psalm 118:1)

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The Festival of Pentecost, 6/12	Acts 2:1-21 *1929, Anne Frank	Franz Rigert Cedarburg, WI
Monday, 6/13	Psalm 25:4-5 +1965, Martin Buber	Edzard Rohland Bonn, Germany
Tuesday, 6/14	John 14:26	Homer Royer East Greenville, PA
Wednesday, 6/15	Mark 14:22-25	Saint Matthews UCC Hamburg, NY
Thursday, 6/16	Romans 12:1-2 1976, Soweto Massacre South Africa	Paul Sangree Foxboro, MA
Friday, 6/17	John 16:13-14 *1703, John Welsey	Rudy Schade La Grange, IL
Saturday, 6/18	Matthew 10:40-42 1934, Native American self-gov'n't 1979, Salt II Agreement	Gerhard W. Schmidt West Lafayette, IN
The Festival of the Holy Trinity, 6/19 1 Pentecost	Psalm 8	Nikolaus Schneider Dusseldorf, Germany
Monday, 6/20	Romans 11:33-36	Gerald Schrankler Fond du Lac, WI
Tuesday, 6/21	Psalm 29:1-4	Lothar Schreiner Wuppertal, Germany
Wednesday, 6/22	Psalm 29:5-9	Daniel Ray Schroder North Granby, CT
Thursday, 6/23	Psalm 29:10-11	Ralph Schultz Waukesha, WI
Friday, 6/24	Romans 8:14-17	Carl F. Schultz, Jr. Glastonbury, CT
Saturday, 6/25	Matthew 28:16-20 54 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the UCC 1530, Augsburg Confession 1945, United Nations Charter	Marie Shetler Quarryville, PA
2 Pentecost, 1 Trinity, 6/26	Matthew 10:40-42 +1988, Hans Urs von Balthasar	John Silliman Shamokin, PA

Monday, 6/27	P s a l m 1 2 * 1 8 8 0 H e l e n K e l l e r	J a m e s S i l v e r M i d d l e t o w n , C T
Tuesday, 6/28	H e b r e w s 11:1 +202 Irenaeus	Harold P. Simonson Tacoma, WA
Wednesday, 6/29	P s a l m 51, 10-12	Betsy Skinner Newberry, FL
Thursday, 6/30	P s a l m 143:10 *1939, Dorothy Kazel	David & Connie Slater Dover, NH
Friday, 7/01	Romans 3:21-31 1968, Non-Proliferation Treaty	Samuel Slie West Haven, CT
Saturday, 7/02	M a r k 4:35-41 1964, Civil Rights Act	Norman R. Small Gilmanton, NH
3 Pentecost, 2 Trinity, 7/03	M a t t h e w 11:16-19, 25-30	Stephen A. Small West Boylston, MA
Monday, 7/04 (Independence Day)	P s a l m 62:5-6 1983, Witness for Peace	David Charles Smith Allentown, PA
Tuesday, 7/05	Psalm 130:5-6	Sally S. Smith Sonora, CA
Wednesday, 7/06	Romans 5:1-11 +1415, John Hus	Toni T. Smith Chester, CT
Thursday, 7/07	M a t t h e w 9:14-29	Jeannette Solimine Colfax, WA
Friday, 7/08	Psalm 25:6 *1867, Kathe Kollwitz	Scott Spencer Rehoboth, MA
Saturday, 7/09	P s a l m 33:4-5	Mr. & Mrs. Elroy Stauss Manitowoc, WI
4 Pentecost, 3 Trinity, 7/10	Psalm 119:105-112 *1509, John Calvin	Gary Stillwell Janesville, WI
Monday, 7/11	John 13:34-35	Grace Taskinsoy Fountain Hills, WI
Tuesday, 7/12	Romans 8:31-39 +1536, Erasmus *1817, Henry David Thoreau	James Tilbe Raynham, MA
Wednesday, 7/13	Mark 3:7-11	Gary Titusdahl Cannon Falls, MN
Thursday, 7/14	James 4:17	Harley C.W. Tretow Berlin, WI
Friday, 7/15	Mark 12:1-11	Ann Trost Grand Rapids, MI
Saturday, 7/16	P s a l m 51:17	Frederick & Louise Trost Elkhart Lake, WI

5 Pentecost, 4 Trinity 7/17	I s a i a h 44:8	Jean Trost Canandaigua, NY
Monday, 7/18	M a t t h e w 5:6 1868, African Americans granted U.S. citizenship +1939, Paul Schneider	Jonathan H. Trost Rochester, NY
Tuesday, 7/19	L u k e 15:18-19	Marianne Trost Fountain Hills, AZ
Wednesday, 7/20	2 Peter 3:8-9	Sarah E. Trost Milwaukee, WI
Thursday, 7/21	J o h n 3:3	United Church of Christ Sulphur Springs, IN
Friday, 7/22	J o h n 3:5	John Van Epps Guilford, CT
Saturday, 7/23	G a l a t i a n s 3:27-28	Edward A. Walker Dennis, MA
6 Pentecost, 5 Trinity 7/24	Psalm 129:129-136	Rev. & Mrs. John R. Weiler Bethlehem, PA
Monday, 7/25	L u k e 14:27	Timothy Wepner Newton, NC
Tuesday, 7/26	M a r k 10:35-45 1960, Americans with Disability Act	John A. Werley Malone, NY
Wednesday, 7/27	Luke 14:11	Glenn W. Wernecke Sun City, AZ
Thursday, 7/28	I s a i a h 5:1-7 +1750, Johann Sebastian Bach	Fritz West Marine on St. Croix, MN
Friday, 7/29	A c t s 5:1-11 +1890, Vincent van Gogh	Rudolf Weth Neukirchen-Vluyn, Germany
Saturday, 7/30	J o h n 1:17	Jean T. Whitcomb Paxton, MA
7 Pentecost, 6 Trinity, 7/31	P s a l m 15	Cody Williams New York, NY
Monday, 8/01	P s a l m 1:1-3	David Yochum Whitewater, WI
Tuesday, 8/02	A c t s 20:18-24	Nathaniel Yordon Norwalk, CT
Wednesday, 8/03	Romans 12:3-8	Elga Zachau Bochum, Germany
Thursday, 8/04	1 Corinthians 12:12-13 +64, Martyrs of Nero's Persecution	Leonard Zecchini Lyndeborough, NY
Friday, 8/05	R o m a n s 12:9-21	Walter Ziegenhals Burlington, NC

Saturday, 8/06	Mark 8:34-38 1945, Atomic Bomb, Hiroshima 1965, Voting Rights Act	Reynolds Ziegler Camp Hill, PA
8 Pentecost, 7 Trinity 8/07	Romans 10:5-15	Lowell Zuck St. Louis, MO
Monday, 8/08	Ephesians 4:1-7 1945, U.S. Ratification of the UN Charter	Hans-Juergen Abromeit Greifswald, Germany
Tuesday, 8/09	1 Peter 1:2-9 1945, Atomic Bomb, Nagasaki	Clifford B. Anderson Cranbury, NJ
Wednesday, 8/10	Ephesians 5:25-27	Ralph Anderson West Seneca, NY
Thursday, 8/11	Philippians 4:4-7	Christopher Anderson York, PA
Friday, 8/12	Colossians 1:3-20 1949, Geneva Convention of Protection of War Victims	Franklin Anderson E. Waterboro, ME
Saturday, 8/13	2 Corinthians 9:1-9 +1910, Florence Nightingale	Ralph Anderson West Seneca, NY

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PRAYERS AND OTHER RESOURCES FOR PENTECIST/TRINITY (1) 2011

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Lord, faithful Creator, give us grace we entreat You, in well-doing and with full assurance of faith, to commit the keeping of our souls to You and rest in Your promises. And help us that we may always speak the truth, and though it be our own hindrance, keep faith one with another. (Christina G. Rossetti, 1830-1894)

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OGod, the Light of every heart that sees You, the Life of every soul that loves You, the Strength of every mind that seeks You, grant us ever to continue steadfast in Your Holy Spirit. Be the joy of our hearts and take us all to Yourself. We confess that the house of our souls is too narrow for You. Enlarge it, we pray, that You may enter in. Where it is ruinous, repair it... To You, we cry urgently, begging that You cleanse us of our bidden faults, keeping Your servants from presumptuous sins, that they never gain dominion over us. (adapt. St. Augustine, 354-430)

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Incline, OLord, Your merciful ears, and illuminate the darkness of our hearts by the light of Your visitation. (Gelasian Sacramentary, A.D. 492)

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OGod, who in Your loving kindness both begins and finishes all good things: grant that as we glory in the beginning of Your grace, so may we rejoice in its completion, through Jesus Christ our Lord. (Leonine Sacramentary, A.D. 440)

Almighty and Holy Spirit, the Comforter, pure, living, true: illuminate, govern and sanctify us. Confirm our hearts and minds in the faith and in all genuine consolation. Preserve and rule over us that, dwelling in the house of the Lord all the days of our lives... we may be and remain forever in His temple, praising Him with a joyful spirit, and in union with all the heavenly Church. (adapt., Philip Melancthon, 1497-1560)

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O Lord, our Guide even unto death, grant us we pray, grace to follow You wherever You lead us. In the little daily duties to which You call us, humble our wills to simple obedience and grant us patience amidst pain or provocation. In greater acts of duty, if You should summon us to them, lift us to self-sacrifice and courage, that we may lay down our lives for Your truth's sake, or for a sister or a brother. (adapt., Christina G. Rossetti)

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Lord, turn us all into love, and all our love into obedience; let our obedience be without interruption. We hope You will accept such a return as we can offer You. Make us to be something that You take delight in, and You shall have all that we are or all we have from You...(adapt. Jeremy Taylor, 1613-1667)

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Gracious God, You are the true Sun of the world, evermore rising and never going down: By Your appearing You nourish and make joyful all things, as in heaven so also on earth. Mercifully shine into our hearts, that the night and darkness of sin and the mists of error on every side being driven away, we may all our life long go without stumbling or offence,... abounding in all good works and rejoicing in Your truth...(adapt. Erasmus, 1469-1536)

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A Hymn at Pentecost:

Awake were they only those shepherds so lonely,  
On guard in that silence profound:  
When color had faded, when night-time had shaded  
Their senses from sight and from sound,  
Lo, then broke a wonder, then drifted asunder  
The veils from the splendor of God,  
When light from the Holy came down to the lowly, And heav'n to the  
earth that they trod.

Maylight now enfold us, O Lord, now behold us  
Like shepherds, from tumult withdrawn,  
Nor hearing, nor seeing, all other care fleeing,  
We wait the ineffable dawn.  
O Spirit all-knowing, thou source over-flowing,  
O move in the darkness around,  
That sight may bein us, true hearing to win us  
Glad tidings where Christ may be found. (Welsh hymn)

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A Hymn in Trinity Season:

Now glad of heart be everyone! The fight is fought, the day is won,  
The Christ is set upon his throne, Who on the wood was crucified,  
Who rose again, as at this tide, In glory to his Father's side,  
Who baffled death and harrowed hell And led the souls that loved him well  
All in the light of lights to dwell.

To him we lift our heart and voice And in his paradise rejoice  
With harp and pipe and happy noise. Then rise, all Christian folk, with me  
And carol forth the One in Three that was, and is, and is to be.  
By faith, the shield of heart and mind, Through love, which suffers and is kind,  
In hope, that rides upon the wind.

("Wir wollen alle froehlich sein," Cyriakus Spangenberg, 1568, student of Luther's,  
died in 1604)

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A Hymn as Autumn Nears:

Fields of corn, give up your ears, wheat and oats and barley-spears,  
Vines, send in your bunch of grapes, be your gold and purple shapes.  
Garden, give your brightest flowers, Turn the churches into bowers... (15th century A.D.)

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A Prayer from the Church in Kenya:

From the cowardice that dare not face new truth From the laziness that is  
contented with half-truth From the arrogance that thinks it knows all  
truth, Good Lord, deliver me.

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"Jesus, Lover of My Soul"

Two Americans, who were crossing the Atlantic, met in the cabin on Sunday right to sing hymns. As they sang the last hymn, "Jesus lover of my soul," one of them heard an exceedingly rich and beautiful voice behind him. He looked around and although he did not know the face, he thought that he knew the voice, so when the music ceased, he turned around and asked the man if he had not been in the civil war (1861- 1865). The man replied that he had been a Confederate soldier. "Were you at such a place on such a night?" asked the first. "Yes," he replied, "and a curious thing happened that night which this hymn has recalled to my mind. I was posted on sentry duty in the edge of a wood. It was dark right and very cold and I was a little frightened because the enemy was supposed to be very near. About midnight when everything was very still and I was feeling homesick and miserable and weary, I thought that I would comfort myself by praying and singing a hymn. I remember singing this hymn:

'All my trust on Thee is stayed, all my help from Thee I bring, cover my defenseless head  
with the shadow of Thy wing.'

After singing that, a strange peace came down upon me, and through the long night I remember having felt no more fear."

"Now, "said the other, "Listen to my story: I was a Union soldier and was in the wood that night with a party of scouts. I saw you standing, although I did not see your face. My men had their rifles focused upon you, waiting the word to fire, but when you sang out, 'Cover my defenseless head with the shadow of Thy wing,' I said, 'Boys, lower your rifles, we will go home.'" (Henry Drummond, "Lessons from the Angelus," 1897)

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May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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