

“THE BLUE SHEET”
Journey in the Word 2025
70th Edition: June 8 – September 7
Pentecost - Summer

Welcome to the 70th edition of “The Blue Sheet Readings!” Wow – can you imagine! 70 editions! This edition will take us from Pentecost Sunday (Year C) through to Sept 7th. **APOLOGIES for the misprint of dates at the end of last edition. I had June 7 as Pentecost Sunday rather than June 8 – so I corrected it for this edition – YIKES!** As has been our practice, this edition follows the Revised Common Lectionary (RCL) **Year C** for Sunday readings. Once again, how special it is to join millions of believers around the world as we spend time in God’s Word together on our Sunday gatherings.

This edition, like many previous editions, will spend the entire summer reading through the Book of Acts. It would be of great benefit for us to take note of both the activity of the Spirit, as well as the response of the various people in the book of Acts. My prayer is that as we read, we will also deepen our awareness of the work of the Holy Spirit – not only within us, but especially around us.

We will also focus on two letters of Paul towards the end of our readings. The first one will be Colossians. An incredible letter with much focus on the work of the Spirit in our lives. Connected to this is the short letter from Paul to Philemon. Many times, this letter gets overlooked. Reading a good commentary will help develop a significant focus on the dynamics of Paul (in chains) writing to his friend, Philemon, concerning Onesimus (also mentioned in Colossians). This letter gives great insight into Paul’s heart. As you read, ask the Holy Spirit to open your heart to the relationships with which you journey together. And notice at the end, the names of the individuals Paul shares while keeping in mind the most recent letter we read in this Blue Sheet edition of Paul to the Colossian believers.

As usual, some great resources to consider while reading is the **New Beacon Bible Commentary on Acts** by Richard Thompson, as well as the **New Beacon Bible Commentary on Ephesians, Colossians, Philemon**, by George Lyons, Robert Smith, & Kara Lyons-Pardue, all published by *The Foundry Publishing Co (Beacon Hill Press)*

As always, please share your discoveries with others, for as you know, the Scriptures are written to be heard, read, and lived within community. Enjoy spending time in the Word this season and we pray that the Word will spend time in you! Maybe you would take this summer to begin journaling – in your own style...a good spiritual discipline to follow as well. Thx – pk!

One more encouragement, download the Lectio 365 app connected with 24-7prayer.com The summer is a great time to develop a new spiritual formational practice.

JUNE

June 8 – **PENTECOST SUNDAY**

Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:24-34,35b;

Romans 8:14-17; John 14:8-17,25-27

June 9 – Acts 2:22-41

June 10 – Acts 2:42-47

June 11 – Acts 3:1-10

June 12 – Acts 3:11-26

June 13 – Acts 4:1-22

June 14 – Acts 4:23-31

June 15 – Proverbs 8:1-4,22-31; Psalm 8;

Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15

June 16 – Acts 4:32-37

June 17 – Acts 5:1-16

June 18 – Acts 5:17-42

June 19 – Acts 6:1-7

June 20 – Acts 6:8-7:1

June 21 – Acts 7:2-19

June 22 – 1 Kings 19:1-15a; Psalm 42 & 43;

Galatians 3:23-29; Luke 8:26-39

June 23 – Acts 7:20-43

June 24 – Acts 7:44-8:3

June 25 – Acts 8:4-13

June 26 – Acts 8:14-25

June 27 – Acts 8:26-40

June 28 – Acts 9:1-19a

June 29 – 2 Kngs 2:1-2,6-14; Psm 77:1-2,11-20;

Galatians 5:1,13-25; Luke 9:51-62

June 30 – Acts 9:19b-31

JULY

July 1 – Acts 9:32-43

July 2 – Acts 10:1-23a

July 3 – Acts 10:23b-48

July 4 – Acts 11:1-18

July 5 – Acts 11:19-26

July 6 – 2 Kngs 5:1-14; Psalm 30;

Galatians 6:7-16; Luke 10:1-11,16-20

July 7 – Acts 11:27-12:5

July 8 – Acts 12:6-17

July 9 – Acts 12:18-24

July 10 – Acts 12:25-13:12

July 11 – Acts 13:13-43

July 12 – Acts 13:44-52

July 13 – Amos 7:7-17; Psalm 82;

Colossians 1:1-14; Luke 10:25-37

July 14 – Acts 14:1-20

July 15 – Acts 14:21-28

July 16 – Acts 15:1-21

July 17 – Acts 15:22-35

July 18 – Acts 15:36-41

July 19 – Acts 16:1-5

July 20 – Amos 8:1-12; Psalm 52;

Colossians 1:15-28; Luke 10:38-42

July 21 – Acts 16:6-15

July 22 – Acts 16:16-40

July 23 – Acts 17:1-15

July 24 – Acts 17:16-34

July 25 – Acts 18:1-18a

July 26 – Acts 18:18b-28

July 27 – Hosea 1:2-10; Psalm 85;

Colossians 2:6-15; Luke 11:1-13

July 28 – Acts 19:1-22

July 29 – Acts 19:23-20:6

July 30 – Acts 20:7-12

July 31 – Acts 20:13-38

AUGUST

Aug 1 – Acts 21:1-16

Aug 2 – Acts 21:17-36

Aug 3 – Hosea 11:1-11; Psalm 107:1-9,43;

Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21

Aug 4 – Acts 21:37-22:29

Aug 5 – Acts 22:30-23:11

Aug 6 – Acts 23:12-35

Aug 7 – Acts 24:1-27

Aug 8 – Acts 25:1-12

Aug 9 – Acts 25:13-22

Aug 10 – Isaiah 1:1,10-20; Psalm 50:1-8,22-23;

Hebrews 11:1-3,8-16; Luke 12:32-40

Aug 11 – Acts 25:23-26:32

Aug 12 – Acts 27:1-12

Aug 13 – Acts 27:13-26

Aug 14 – Acts 27:27-44

Aug 15 – Acts 28:1-10

Aug 16 – Acts 28:11-16

Aug 17 – Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80:1-2,8-19;

Hebrews 11:29-12:2; Luke 12:49-56

Aug 18 – Acts 28:17-22

Aug 19 – Acts 28:23-28/29

Aug 20 – Acts 28:30-31

Aug 21 – Colossians 1:1-14

Aug 22 – Colossians 1:15-23

Aug 23 – Colossians 1:24-29

Aug 24 – Jeremiah 1:4-10; Psalm 71:1-6;

Hebrews 12:18-29; Luke 13:10-17

Aug 25 – Colossians 2:1-5

Aug 26 – Colossians 2:6-8

Aug 27 – Colossians 2:9-15

Aug 28 – Colossians 2:16-23

Aug 29 – Colossians 3:1-12

Aug 30 – Colossians 3:13-4:1

Aug 31 – Jeremiah 2:4-13; Psalm 81:1,10-16;

Hebrews 13:1-8,15-16; Luke 14:1,7-14

SEPTEMBER

Sept 1 – Colossians 4:2-6

Sept 2 – Colossians 4:7-11

Sept 3 – Colossians 4:12-18

Sept 4 – Philemon 1-7

Sept 5 – Philemon 8-22

Sept 6 – Philemon 23-25

Sept 7 – Jeremiah 18:1-11; Psalm 139:1-6,13-18;

Philemon 1-21; Luke 14:25-33

Some Suggestions

~ Find a quiet place

~ Try to find a consistent time

~ Pick up a journal or composition notebook as a companion to your readings

~ Write down one verse (or more than one) that stands out to you from each reading with the date of that reading

~ Share at least one verse with at least one person during the week

~ If you miss a day, don't go back, start with the current date

~ Enjoy the journey

~ Whatever you do, don't give up!

~ For a great challenge, read these passages from a different translation than the one you normally read from.

RACK PRINCIPLE

Stay in the Word – Read

Stand on the Word – Apply – journal/notes

Share from the Word – Confirm – others

Strength through the Word – Know God in a deeper way