

“THE BLUE SHEET”
Journey in the Word 2023
63rd Edition: Sept 24 – Dec 3
Fall – First Sunday Advent

Welcome to the 63rd edition of “The Blue Sheet Readings!” This edition will take us through the remainder of the Fall season and into the First Sunday in Advent

This edition is like previous editions in that on Sundays we follow the Revised Common Lectionary Year A (until the First Sunday in Advent begins Year B). These are incredible readings, along with many believers around the world who will be reading them as well. I also added a couple of extra lectionary readings on special days – All Saints Day & Thanksgiving.

Let me recommend 2 great resources regarding the Christian Year – **Living the Christian Year: Time To Inhabit the Story of God by Bobby Gross** and **Living the Way of Jesus: Practicing the Christian Calendar One Week at a Time by Michaele LaVigne**. Both of these resources will deeply impact your reading journey

Our readings will also take us on a slow read through Galatians and Hebrews. When we read these passages slowly, we are more able to observe and reflect on some rather significant themes in both letters. Also, in reading Galatians slowly, you will catch Paul’s deep concern for them in several areas. Pay attention to these things and seek the Spirit’s guidance in your life as you read. You will find in Hebrews some of the most profound reflections on the life and death of Jesus, especially as He fulfills the various elements of the tabernacle in the OT.

Two very good commentaries to help are – **Galatians by George Lyons (NBBC)** as well as **Hebrews by Kevin L. Anderson (NBBC)**. Both these commentaries can be found at thefoundrypublishing.com

We will also spend some time reflecting on the psalms through Thanksgiving week and into Advent

Do your best to begin a journal regarding your readings if you haven’t done so by now. As always, please share your discoveries with others, for as you know, the Scriptures are written to be read and lived within community. Enjoy spending time in the Word

this season and we pray that the Word will spend time in you! Thanks for being a part of this journey – pk!

SEPTEMBER

Sept 24 – Exodus 16:2-15; Psalm 145:1-6
Philippians 1:21-30; Matt 20:1-16
Sept 25 – Galatians 1:1-5
Sept 26 – Galatians 1:6-12
Sept 27 – Galatians 1:13-24
Sept 28 – Galatians 2:1-10
Sept 29 – Galatians 2:11-21
Sept 30 – Galatians 3:1-14

OCTOBER

Oct. 1 – Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 80:7-15;
Philippians 3:4b-14; Matt 21:33-46
Oct 2 – Galatians 3:15-25
Oct 3 – Galatians 3:26-4:7
Oct 4 – Galatians 4:8-20
Oct 5 – Galatians 4:21-31
Oct 6 – Galatians 5:1-6
Oct 7 – Galatians 5:7-15
Oct 8 – Deut. 8:7-18; Psalm 65;
2 Cor. 9:6-15; Luke 17:11-19
Oct 9 – Galatians 5:16-21
Oct 10 – Galatians 5:22-26
Oct 11 – Galatians 6:1-6
Oct 12 – Galatians 6:7-10
Oct 13 – Galatians 6:11-18
Oct 14 – Hebrews 1:1-4
Oct 15 – Exodus 32:1-14; Psalm 23;
Philippians 4:1-9; Matt 22:1-14
Oct 16 – Hebrews 1:5-2:4
Oct 17 – Hebrews 2:5-9
Oct 18 – Hebrews 2:10-18
Oct 19 – Hebrews 3:1-6
Oct 20 – Hebrews 3:7-19
Oct 21 – Hebrews 4:1-11
Oct 22 – Exodus 33:12-23; Psalm 96:1-13;
1 Thess. 1:1-10; Matt 22:15-22
Oct 23 – Hebrews 4:12-13
Oct 24 – Hebrews 4:14-5:6
Oct 25 – Hebrews 5:7-10
Oct 26 – Hebrews 5:11-14
Oct 27 – Hebrews 6:1-12
Oct 28 – Hebrews 6:13-20
Oct 29 – Deut. 34:1-12; Psalm 1;
1 Thess. 2:1-8; Matt 22:34-46

Oct 30 – Hebrews 7:1-28

Oct 31 – Hebrews 8:1-13

NOVEMBER

Nov 1 – **ALL SAINTS DAY** – Rev. 7:9-17;

Ps. 34:1-10,22; 1 John 3:1-3; Matt 5:1-12

Nov 2 – Hebrews 9:1-10

Nov 3 – Hebrews 9:11-14

Nov 4 – Hebrews 9:15-28

Nov 5 – Joshua 3:7-17; Psalm 43;

1 Thess. 2:9-13; Matt 23:1-12

Nov 6 – Hebrews 10:1-10

Nov 7 – Hebrews 10:11-18

Nov 8 – Hebrews 10:19-25

Nov 9 – Hebrews 10:26-39

Nov 10 – Hebrews 11:1-16

Nov 11 – Hebrews 11:17-31

Nov 12 – Joshua 24:1-3a,14-25; Psalm 70;

1 Thess. 4:13-18; Matt 25:1-13

Nov 13 – Hebrews 11:32-39

Nov 14 – Hebrews 12:1-3

Nov 15 – Hebrews 12:4-12

Nov 16 – Hebrews 12:13-24

Nov 17 – Hebrews 12:25-29

Nov 18 – Hebrews 13:1-3

Nov 19 – Judges 4:1-7; Psalm 90:1-12

1 Thess. 5:1-11; Matt 25:14-30

Nov 20 – Psalm 84

Nov 21 – Psalm 96

Nov 22 – Psalm 97

Nov 23 – **THANKSGIVING** – Deut. 8:7-18;

Ps. 65; 2 Cor 9:6-15; Luke 17:11-19

Nov 24 – Psalm 98

Nov 25 – Psalm 100

Nov 26 – Ezekiel 34:11-16,20-24; Ps. 95:1-7a;

Eph. 1:15-23; Matt 25:31-46

Nov 27 – Hebrews 13:4-8

Nov 28 – Hebrews 13:9-14

Nov 29 – Hebrews 13:15-19

Nov 30 – Hebrews 13:20-25

DECEMBER

Dec 1 – Psalm 103

Dec 2 – Psalm 145

Dec 3 – **FIRST SUNDAY ADVENT** – Isa. 64:1-9;

Ps. 80:1-7,17-19; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:24-37

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