# Nurturing Faith Bible Studies Scope and Sequence for 2022 (Year C into Year A)

#### **Season after Christmas, continued (January 2)**

January 2 – Psalm 147:12-20 -- "A Good Beginning"

#### In Christ We Have ...

(we celebrate the season of Epiphany with reflections on life in relationship with God)

# **Season of Epiphany (January 9 - February 27)**

January 9 - Acts 8:4-17 (RCL 8:14-17) - "Amazing Grace"

January 16 – 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 – "Amazing Gifts"

January 23 – 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a – "Amazing Oneness"

January 30 – 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 – "Amazing Love"

February 6 – Psalm 138 – "Amazing Care"

February 13 – 1 Corinthians 15:12-20 – "Amazing Hope"

February 20 – 1 Corinthians 15:35-50 (RCL 15:35-38, 42-50) – "Amazing Thoughts"

February 27 – 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2 – "Amazing Growth"

## Season of Lent and Easter (March 6 – April 17)

(During Lent we turn to Luke and Philippians for lessons in life)

March 6 – Luke 4:1-13 – "When Facing Temptation"

March 13 – Luke 13:31-35 – "When Foxes Prowl"

March 20 – Luke 13:1-9 – "When Feeling Fruitless"

March 27 – Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 – "When Far Away"

April 3 – Philippians 3:4b-14 – "Living with Purpose"

April 10 – Philippians 2:1-13 – "Living Mindfully"

April 17 – **Easter** – Luke 24:1-12 – "Living with Questions"

#### Season After Easter to Pentecost (April 24-June 5)

#### A Strange Kind of Hope

(Glimpses from the book of Revelation take us from Easter to Pentecost)

- April 24 Revelation 1:4-8 "A Hopeful Promise"
- May 1 Revelation 5:11-14 "A Bizarre Picture"
- May 8 Revelation 7:9-17 "A Hallelujah Chorus"
- May 15 Revelation 21:1-6 "A New Day"
- May 22 Revelation 21:10-22:5 (RCL 21:10, 22-22:5) "A Life-Giving River"
- May 29 Revelation 22:12-21 (RCL 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21) "A Desperate Hope"
- June 5 **Pentecost** John 14:8-17 "An Eternal Advocate"

## **Season After Pentecost (June 12 – November 20)**

#### Songs for the Soul

(Lady Wisdom's imperative leads to psalms that comfort and challenge)

- June 12 Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 "Listen to the Lady"
- June 19 Psalms 42-43 "Don't Give Up"
- June 26 Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20 "Don't Forget"
- July 3 Psalm 30 "Learn to Dance"
- July 10 Psalm 82 "Practice Justice"
- July 17 Psalm 52 "Choose Wisely"
- July 24 Psalm 85 "Celebrate Salvation"
- July 31 Psalm 49 (RCL 49:1-12) "Vanquish Fear"

#### **Crotchety Old Preachers**

(We hear from three old preachers whose sermons can still speak)

August 7 – Isaiah 1:1-20 (RCL 1:1, 10-20) – "Ritual Wrongs"

August 14 – Isaiah 5:1-10 (RCL 5:1-7) – "Rotten Fruit"

August 21 – Isaiah 58:9b-14 – "Phony Faith"

August 28 – Jeremiah 2:1-13 (RCL 2:4-13) – "Lost Love"

## Learning from Jesus

(We return to Luke for nine lessons from Jesus' teaching)

September 4 – Luke 14:25-33 – "Counting the Cost"

September 11 – Luke 15:1-10 – "Counting Sheep"

September 18 – Luke 16:1-13 – "Counting Coins"

September 25 – Luke 16:19-31 – "Counting Options"

October 2 – Luke 17:5-10 – "Forgiveness and Faith"

October 9 – Luke 17:11-19 – "Gratitude and Grace"

October 16 – Luke 18:1-8 – "Persistence and Prayer"

October 23 – Luke 18:9-14 – "Pomp and Penitence"

October 30 – Luke 19:1-10 – "Repentance and Refunds"

## Darkness into Light

(We work our way to Advent with three declarations of hope)

November 6 – Job 19:23-27a – "Trust for the Darkness"

November 13 – Isaiah 65:17-25 – "Hope for the Despairing"

November 20 – Psalm 46 – "Refuge for the Troubled"

## **Advent (November 27-December 18)**

#### As We Wait

(For Advent, we turn to the Epistles for helpful thoughts)

November 27 – Romans 13:8-14 (RCL 12:11-14) – "Salvation is Near"

December 4 – Romans 15:4-13 – "Promises to Remember"

December 11 – James 5:7-11 (RCL 5:7-10) – "Patience in Trials"

December 18 – Romans 1:1-7 – "Defining Identity"

# **Christmas (December 25)**

December 25 – Luke 2:1-20 – "The Old New Story"

OT texts - 17

NT texts - 35

Total lessons after 2022: 600