**REVISED COMMON LECTIONARY 2016 – SUNDAYS & SPECIAL DAYS ONLY – YEAR C (Advent & Christmas Year A)**

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Additional Special Sundays approved by GC 2012 with dates to be determined by Annual Conferences and at which special offerings may be received include:

- Rural Life Sunday, Disability Awareness Sunday, Golden Cross Sunday, and Christian Education Sunday.
- Men’s Ministry Sunday and International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church are on the 2nd Sunday in November, or may be set by the local church.
- Older Adult Recognition Sunday may be observed annually, preferably in May.

### January

- **January 1, 2016** New Year (A, B, C) White or Gold
  - Jan 18: Observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day

- **January 2, 2016** Transfiguration Sunday Purple
  - Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99 (UMH 819); 5th Sunday after the Epiphany

- **January 3, 2016** Epiphany Sunday White or Gold
  - Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14 (UMH 796);
  - Jan 11: Human Trafficking Awareness Day
  - Ephesians 3:1-12; Mt 2:1-12

- **January 10, 2016** Baptism of the Lord White or Gold
  - 1st Sunday after the Epiphany
  - Jan 18-25: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
  - Isaiah 43:1-7; Ps 29 (UMH 761); Acts 8:14-17; Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

- **January 17, 2016** 2nd Sunday after the Epiphany Green
  - Isaiah 62:1-5; Ps 36:5-10 (UMH 771);
  - Human Relations Day
  - 1 Cor 12:1-11; John 2:1-11

### February

- **February 7, 2016** Transfiguration Sunday White or Gold
  - Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99 (UMH 819); 5th Sunday after the Epiphany

- **February 14, 2016** 1st Sunday in Lent Purple
  - Deuteronomy 28:1-11; Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 (UMH 810);

### March

- **March 6, 2016** 4th Sunday in Lent Purple
  - Joshua 5:9-12; Psalm 32 (UMH 766);
  - One Great Hour of Sharing
  - 2 Cor 5:16-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

- **March 13, 2016** 5th Sunday in Lent Purple
  - Isa 43:16-21; Ps 128 (UMH 847); Phil 3:4b-14; (Begin Daylight Saving Time 2 a.m.)
  - Jn 12:1-8 Mar 17 St. Patrick’s Day: Alternate Scouting Ministries (or lent)

- **March 20, 2016** Passion/Palm Sunday Purple or Red
  - Journey of the Passion: Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16 (UMH 764);

- **March 26, 2016** Easter Vigil White or Gold
  - Numbers of readings may vary, but should include Ex. 14 + at least 2 other OT Readings + the NT readings. Psalms or canticles are responses to each OT and Epistle reading.

**Note:** Numbers of readings may vary, but should include at least 1 OT reading, 1 NT reading, Psalter, and a response. The readings may be adapted to fit the region. Additional material may be used, such as Acts 2-30, with Acts 31 and 33 included.

### April

- **April 3, 2016** 2nd Sunday of Easter White or Gold
  - Acts 5:27-32; Psalm 150 (UMH 862);
  - Revelation 1:4-8; John 20:19-31

- **April 10, 2016** 3rd Sunday of Easter White or Gold
  - Acts 9:1-6; Ps 30 (UMH 762);
  - Native American Ministries Sunday

- **April 17, 2016** 4th Sunday of Easter White or Gold
  - Acts 9:36-43; Ps 23 (UMH 764 or 137);
  - April 22: Earth Day

- **April 24, 2016** 5th Sunday of Easter Festival of God’s Creation White or Gold
  - Acts 11:1-18; Ps 148 (UMH 861)

### May

- **May 1, 2016** 6th Sunday of Easter White or Gold
  - Acts 16:9-15; Psalm 67 (UMH 791);

### June

- **May 5, 2016** Ascension Day (A, B, C) White or Gold
  - Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47 (UMH 781); Eph 1:15-23;

### July

- **June 5, 2016** 3rd Sunday after Pentecost Green
  - 1 Kings 18:20-39; Psalm 96 (UMH 815);
  - Galatians 1:1-12; Luke 7:1-10

### August

- **July 3, 2016** 7th Sunday after Pentecost Green
  - 2 Kings 5:1-14; Psalm 30 (UMH 762);
  - July 4: Independence Day (USA)

### September

- **August 14, 2016** Peace With Justice White or Gold

### October

- **September 18, 2016** Heritage Sunday Purple or Red

### November

- **November 5, 2016** 2nd Sunday after Advent Purple or Red
  - 1 Kings 18:20-39; Psalm 96 (UMH 815);
  - Galatians 1:1-12; Luke 7:1-10

### December

- **November 26, 2016** 3rd Sunday after Advent Purple or Red
  - 1 Kings 18:20-39; Psalm 96 (UMH 815);
  - Galatians 1:1-12; Luke 7:1-10

- **December 17, 2016** Christmas Sunday Purple or Red

- **December 25, 2016** Christmas Day Purple or Red

### January

- **January 1, 2017** New Year (A, B, C) Purple or Red
  - Hebrews 11:1-6; Ps 90 (UMH 771);
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