

2021 Lent Reading Schedule

As we journey to the cross and the resurrection, I would encourage you to journey with great intentionality.

Here are some ways to “journey with great intentionality”:

- Fast
- Read a book during Lent
- Use the Labyrinth Meditation that you received from the church
- Find a way to walk the “Stations of the Cross” during Holy Week
- Take advantage of the suggested reading schedule
 - o (the readings coincide with our Lenten sermon series)

Suggested Reading Schedule:

Week 1: February 17-20 - Matthew 6:19-21

- 2/17 – Use “Where Your Treasure Is” Journal
- 2/18 – Lectio Divina 1 (see on other side of page)
- 2/19 – ...part of a chapter (see on other side of page)
- 2/20 – Praying and Journaling (see on other side of page)

Week 2: February 22-26 – Luke 2:41-52

Week 3: March 1-5 – Matthew 19:16-26

Week 4: March 8-12 – Luke 12: 13-34

Week 5: March 15-19 – Matthew 13:45-46

Week 6: March 22-26 – Mark 9:30-37

Week 7: March 29-April 2 – Matthew 27:62-28:10

Weeks 2-7 Rhythm:

- Monday – “Where Your Treasure Is” journal
- Tuesday – Lectio Divina 1
- Wednesday – ...part of a chapter
- Thursday – Praying & Journaling
- Friday - Lectio Divina 2 (see on the other side of this page)

Lectio Divina 1

- 1st Reading:
 - What parts of the passage catch your attention?
 - What words, phrases, or images do you hear as though for the first time?
 - What ONE WORD really shouts at you from the page?
- 2nd Reading (Use your senses as you enter into the Scripture passage):
 - What does the scene look like? What sounds are found in the scene?
 - What does the scene smell like? What do you feel?
- 3rd Reading: What is God's personal invitation for you from the Scripture?
 - What does this Word tell you?
 - What relevance does it have to your present situation?
 - What light does it shed on your life?
 - What is God telling you through it?
 - How does this Word inspire you?
 - What actions does the Word call you to undertake?

...part of a chapter

- Instead of reading only the selected passage, read the entire chapter
 - (ex – Week 2's selected passage is Luke 2:41-52. Today read all of chapter 2).
- How does the selected passage fit into the themes found in the larger chapter?

Praying & Journaling

- As you prepare to read today, take a moment to pray that God's word would come alive for you
- Read the selected passage
 - As you read take notice of the character, heart, and message of Jesus
- Write a sentence or two to describe what you noticed in the reading
- After reading take another moment to pray that God's word would be lived out in your life this very day
 - Tell Him how the reading makes you feel. Tell Him what comforts you and what challenges you. Ask for His help to live out the truths you've uncovered today.

Lectio Divina 2

- 1st Reading:
 - What parts of the passage catch your attention?
 - What words, phrases, or images do you hear as though for the first time?
 - What ONE WORD really shouts at you from the page?
 - Is today's word different from Tuesday's word?
- 2nd Reading (Use your senses as you enter into the Scripture passage):
 - What does the scene look like? What sounds are found in the scene?
 - What does the scene smell like? What do you feel?
 - Did you notice different things today than you noticed on Tuesday?
- 3rd Reading: What is God's personal invitation for you from the Scripture?
 - What does this Word tell you?
 - What relevance does it have to your present situation?
 - What light does it shed on your life?
 - What is God telling you through it?
 - How does this Word inspire you?
 - What actions does the Word call you to undertake?
 - Is today's call to action different from Tuesdays?