



At a Glance – Pentecost 1 2020

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Date **June 7, 2020** **June 14, 2020** **June 21, 2020** **June 28, 2020** **July 5, 2020** **July 12, 2020**

Liturgical date Trinity Sunday 2nd Sunday after Pentecost 3rd Sunday after Pentecost 4th Sunday after Pentecost 5th Sunday after Pentecost 6th Sunday after Pentecost

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time Proper 6 (11) 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time Proper 7 (12) 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Proper 8 (13) 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Proper 9 (14) 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Proper 10 (15)

Title The Mountains Are Calling Sacrifices Solidarity Choosing a Braver Faith A Love that Makes Neighbours Love that Disrupts

Lections **Genesis 1:1–2:4a** Genesis 18:1–15, (21:1–7) Genesis 21:8–21 Genesis 22:1–14 **Genesis 24:34–38, 42–49, 58–67** **Genesis 25:19–34**

(The focus in the age-level materials is in bold.) Psalm 8 Psalm 116:1–2, 12–19 Psalm 86:1–10, 16–17 Psalm 13 Psalm 42–49, 58–67 Psalm 119:105–112

2 Corinthians 13:11–13 Romans 5:1–8 **Matthew 9:35–10:8, (9–23)** Romans 6:1b–11 Romans 6:12–23 Romans 7:15–25a Romans 8:1–11

Matthew 28:16–20 **Matthew 10:24–39** **Matthew 10:40–42** **Matthew 10:40–42** Song of Solomon 2:8–13 Romans 13:1–9, 18–23

Emphasis for worship, learning, and serving On this Trinity Sunday, we are reminded of God's word, presence, activity, and redeeming love in Creation.

In Jesus' call to the disciples to join in his healing ministry, we hear a call to us, individually and as the church, to the urgent work of carrying God's love and care into the world.

Jesus teaches disciples then and now that when we make God's love of justice fully present in the world, we enter uncomfortable spaces that disrupt relationships to power and disrupt relationships – even with those closest to us. We can be assured of God's presence and care.

This week, many voices from Abraham to the psalmist, to Jesus to Paul, urge that we cling to a deeper, braver faith in God that insists on love and compassion both given and received.

This week, we gather around stories of courageous transforming love, with the story of Rebekah and her example of hospitality and her choice to leave the comfort of home and family and journey with trust into a future unknown at the centre.

In the texts this week, we encounter a God who enters the world and disrupts it. In a story of where an elder child will serve his younger siblings, and in a challenge from Jesus that those who value the ways of wealth will be left wanting, we experience a world turned upside down.

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Genesis 1:1–2:4a tells a story of Creation and Trinity's presence at the beginning of the world. The world is interconnected, and we are part of it – part of God's expression of love and creativity.

Spend intentional time enjoying Creation.

Jesus' call to follow includes a big job description. Tell and show the good news of God's love, bringing healing, and do not be afraid. Wow! How might we live out this call today?

Consider sending one another off with a blessing, "(Name) go live for God."

Jesus' teaching disrupts our peace, but we are reminded to not be afraid. God is ever-present, all-knowing, and all-revealing.

Reflect on what fears you have. Each day, spend time sharing your fears with God. Then, listen (and look) for examples of how God is with you.

Welcome. Jesus calls disciples to welcome all. We are all agents in giving and receiving welcome. God welcomes us and we, in turn, welcome one another, especially those who are considered the least and the lost.

Spend time this week volunteering at a church ministry or a local charity that welcomes people in need.

Rebekah and Isaac meet and fall in love. Abraham's servant goes in search of Isaac's bride, and Rebekah chooses to leave her family and go to meet Isaac. This union in the Hebrew Scriptures is an important story in our stories of faith.

Send a special handwritten message or e-mail to at least three people you love telling them that you love them.

We can all identify with family tension and differences. Jacob and Esau have been battling from the beginning, even in the womb. Their competition continues as they grow older, and Jacob tricks Esau into giving away his birthright.

Think about the differences or disagreements that exist among your siblings or your extended family. Reflect on how these have affected your family dynamics and interactions. What can they teach you about the relationships you have with members of your congregation, friends, co-workers?





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Liturgical date	7th Sunday after Pentecost 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Proper 11 (16)	8th Sunday after Pentecost 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time Proper 12 (17)	9th Sunday after Pentecost 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Proper 13 (18)	10th Sunday after Pentecost 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time Proper 14 (19)	11th Sunday after Pentecost 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Proper 15 (20)	12th Sunday after Pentecost 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Proper 16 (21)	13th Sunday after Pentecost 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Proper 17 (22)
Title	Presence	Subversive Silence	Face to Face	Dreaming Big	Subversive Forgiveness	Cunning, Compassion, and Courage	Holy and Humble Curiosity
Lections (The focus in the age-level materials is in bold.)	Genesis 28:10–19a Psalm 139:1–12, 23–24 Romans 8:12–25 Matthew 13:24–30, 36–43	Genesis 29:15–28 Psalm 105:1–11, 45b or Psalm 128 Romans 8:26–39 Matthew 13:31–33, 44–52	Genesis 32:22–31 Psalm 17:1–7, 15 Romans 9:1–5 Matthew 14:13–21	Genesis 37:1–4, 12–28 Psalm 105:1–6, 16–22, 45b Romans 10:5–15 Matthew 14:22–33	Genesis 45:1–15 Psalm 133 Romans 11:1–2a, 29–32 Matthew 15: (10–20), 21–28	Exodus 1:8–2:10 Psalm 124 Romans 12:1–8 Matthew 16:13–20	Exodus 3:1–15 Psalm 105:1–6, 23–26, 45c Romans 12:9–21 Matthew 16:21–28
Emphasis for worship, learning, and serving	Jacob's divine encounter reassures that God is ever-present, all-knowing, and all-revealing – a presence felt through all of this week's readings.	Subversive silence of two sisters, Rachel and Leah, enables both to play their part in God's unfolding story of freedom, liberation, and covenant.	We hear a story of a fleeing Jacob coming face to face with God, and consider what it means for us to see each other, ourselves, and our God "face to face."	We meet Joseph, the dreamer, and the role he plays in the unfolding promise of liberation for all people, and through the other readings are reminded that we too are part of a larger narrative of God's grace for all Creation.	A story of forgiveness and redemption after a lifetime of betrayal, abandonment, restriction, and isolation offers an opportunity for us to explore how forgiveness and charity can set us free from all that we are called to be vigilant in compassion and courage.	A story of cunning midwives, a courageous mother, a vigilant sister, and a compassionate princess challenges us to consider what it means to be cunning in the service of God's justice and liberation, and where we are called to be vigilant in compassion and courage.	With Moses, we step on Holy Ground and listen as God calls Moses to be an agent of God's liberating justice, and through the words of Jesus in the gospel reading, consider the power of letting go in order to experience life.
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