

APPENDIX 2

Table of Readings for an Expanded Advent—REVISED COMMON LECTIONARY

Lection Præces by Wm H. Petersen

	First Reading	Second Reading	Gospel Reading
Advent 1, Yr A	Hag. 1:15b–2:9 God will shake heaven & earth	2 Thess. 2:1–5, 13–17 The coming of our Lord Jesus	Luke 20:27–38 Implications of the resurrection
B	Josh. 24:1–3a, 14–25 Choose now whom to serve	1 Thess. 4:13–18 Meeting the Lord at his coming	Matt. 25:1–13 Wise & foolish virgins at wedding
C	Ruth 3:1–5, 4:13–17 David’s lineage thru Jesse	Heb. 9:24–28 Christ will appear to save the waiting	Mark 12:38–44 Judgment on hypocrisy & the rich
Advent 2, Yr A	Isa. 65:17–25 God to create new heaven & earth	2 Thess. 3:6–13 Condemn idlers, commend workers	Luke 21:5–19 End time/false messiahs/persecution
B	Judg. 4:1–7 Deborah prophesies Sisera’s fate	1 Thess. 5:1–11 Concerning the coming of Lord’s day	Matt. 25:14–30 Parable of the 10, 5, & 1 Talents
C	1 Sam. 1:4–20 Barren Hannah bears Samuel	Heb. 10:11–25 What to do as the day approaches	Mark 13:1–8 Birthpang signs of consummation
Advent 3, Yr A	Jer. 23:1–6 God will raise up Davidic savior	Col. 1:11–20 Transferred into Christ’s kingdom	Luke 23:33–43 Thief to be in Paradise today
B	Ezek. 34:11–16,20–24 God to shepherd us in justice	Eph. 1:15–23 Christ reigns over all things	Matt. 24:31–46 When Son of Man comes in glory
C	2 Sam. 23:1–7, Anointed David’s last words	Rev. 1:4b–8 Xr as A & Ω, ruler of earth’s kings	John 18:33–37 Pilate & the kingship of Jesus
Advent 4, Yr A	Isa. 2:1–5 Nations not to learn war anymore	Rom. 13:11–14 Salvation near, night far gone	Matt. 24:36–44 Son of Man coming unexpectedly
B	Isa. 64:1–9 Prayer for God’s judgment to come	1 Cor. 1:3–9 Presented blameless in day of OLJC	Mark 13:24–37 Be ready; you don’t know the day
C	Jer. 33:14–16 Righteous heir of David coming	1 Thess. 3:9–13 Presented blameless in day of OLJC	Luke 21:25–36 Christ coming in power & glory
Advent 5, Yr A	Isa. 11:1–10 Vision of God’s Holy Mountain	Rom. 15:4–13 Root of Jesse to rule Gentiles	Matt. 3:1–12 JB: kingdom of heaven near!
B	Isa. 40:1–11 Glory of Lord shall be revealed	2 Pet. 3:8–15a Hastening the coming day of God	Mark 1:1–8 Mission of JB re: Kingdom
C	Mal. 3:1–4 Day of refiner’s fire & fuller’s soap!	Phil. 1:3–11 Pure & blameless in day of Christ	Luke 3:1–6 JB prophesies coming salvation
Advent 6, Yr A	Isa. 35:1–10 Desert will rejoice & blossom	James 5:7–10 The judge is standing at the doors!	Matt. 11:2–11 JB to Jesus: Messiah? Yes.
B	Isa. 61:1–4,8–11 Proclaim year of Lord’s favor	1Thess. 5:16–24 Rejoice, be blameless in day of OLJC	John 1:6–8,19–28 JB points to Messiah
C	Zeph. 3:14–20 Rejoice! God’s vengeance averted	Phil. 4:4–7 Rejoice! The Lord is near	Luke 3:7–18 JB; people filled w/ expectation
Advent 7, Yr A	Isa. 7:10–16 Woman’s son to be Emmanuel	Rom. 1:1–7 Jesus, of David, but God by resurrection	Matt. 1:18–25 Joseph espouses Mary
B	2 Sam. 7:1–11 God’s promise through David	Rom. 16:25–27 Glory to God (benediction)	Luke 1:26–38 Annunciation to Mary
C	Mic. 5:2–5a One shall come to rule from Bethlehem	Heb. 10:5–10 When Christ came into the world	Luke 1:39–45 Visitation to Elizabeth by Mary

Some Notes: Eschatology over Incarnation until last week.

JB = John the Baptist; OLJC = Our Lord Jesus Christ

NB: The lections for the first three Sundays in this chart are taken from the preceding year, e.g. what is shown for Advent 1, Yr A are readings from Yr C, always starting from two Sundays before the one designated as the Reign of Christ. The chart readings for Advent 4 ff are those for Advent 1 in the present calendar.