

## Scripture Readings for Lent

Keyed to our Sunday Worship Theme: "God on the Move"

And to the Lenten Devotional & Small Groups: "Return to Me" by Terry W. York

*The purple type reflects the lectionary readings for each Sunday in Lent. The asterisk verses are the passages that will be the basis for the sermon that Sunday morning. The black type reflects readings keyed to the Lenten devotional: Return to Me. We might say that God is on the move in our Sunday worship and our response is returning to God. The Lenten devotional, as you will note, does make use of the lectionary and the Sunday readings.*

Day One: Ash Wednesday, March 6	Joel 2:1-2, 12-17	The Trumpet Sounds
Day Two: Thursday, March 7	Isaiah 58:1-12	Lenten Trumpets
Day Three: Friday, March 8	Psalms 51:1-17	A Clean Heart
Day Four: Saturday, March 9	2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10	Reconciled to God

### First Sunday in Lent, March 10 God Moves...into the Desert

**\*Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 91; Romans 10:8b-13;  
\*Luke 4:1-13**

Day Five: Monday, March 11	Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21	Misdirected Piety
Day Six: Tuesday, March 12	Deuteronomy 26:1-11	Generosity and Perspective
Day Seven: Wednesday, March 13	Psalms 91:1-2, 9-16	God is Our Refugee & Fortress
Day Eight: Thursday, March 14	Romans 10:8b-13	Are We too Early?
Day Nine: Friday, March 15	Luke 4:1-13	Confronting Temptation
Day Ten: Saturday, March 16	Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18	Putting Fear in Its Place

### Second Sunday in Lent, March 17 God Moves...Past all Obstacles

**\*Genesis 15:1-12; Psalm 27; Philippians 3:17-4:1;  
Luke 13:31-35**

Day Eleven: Monday, March 18	Psalm 27	An Outlook for the Day
Day Twelve: Tuesday, March 19	Philippians 3:17-4:1	On Being a Christ Follower
Day Thirteen: Wednesday, March 20	Luke 13:31-35	Come to Me
Day Fourteen: Thursday, March 21	Luke 9:28-36	Something Beyond Words
Day Fifteen, Friday, March 22	Isaiah 55:1-9	God's Promise
Day Sixteen, Saturday, March 23	Psalm 63:1-8	Thirst Signals

### Third Sunday in Lent, March 24 God Moves...over the Fence

**Isaiah 55:1-9; \*Psalm 63; I Corinthians 10:1-13; Luke 13:1-9**

Day Seventeen, Monday, March 25	I Corinthians 10:1-13	Guilt and Hope....
Day Eighteen, Tuesday, March 26	Luke 13:1-9	Repentance
Day Nineteen, Wednesday, March 27	Joshua 5:9-12	God Provides
Day Twenty, Thursday, March 28	Psalms 32	The Importance of Confession
Day Twenty-one, Friday, March 29	2 Corinthians 5:16-21	A New Creation
Day Twenty-two, Saturday, March 30	Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32	The Prodigal Son

### Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 31 God Moves...Down the Road

**Joshua 5:9-12; Psalm 32; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21;  
\*Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32**

Day Twenty-three, Monday, April 1	Isaiah 43:16-21	It is Like Spring
Day Twenty-four, Tuesday, April 2	Psalms 126	Experiencing Joy
Day Twenty-five, Wednesday, April 3	Philippians 3:4b-14	Love so Amazing
Day Twenty-six, Thursday, April 4	John 12:1-8	Wash My Feet

Day Twenty-seven, Friday, April 5	Psalms 118:1-2, 19-29	Enduring Love
Day Twenty-eight, Saturday, April 6	Luke 19:28-40	The Master's Voice

**Fifth Sunday in Lent, April 7**      **Isaiah 43:16-21; Psalm 126; Philippians 3:4b-14; \*John 12:1-8**  
**God Moves Us...to Empty Ourselves**

Day Twenty-nine, Monday, April 8	Isaiah 50:4-9a	Teaching and Learning
Day Thirty, Tuesday, April 9	Psalms 31:9-16	My Times are in Your Hands
Day Thirty-one, Wednesday, April 10	Philippians 2:5-11	In Christ is Life
Day Thirty-two, Thursday, April 11	Luke 22:14-23:56	Read the Whole Story
Day Thirty-three, Friday, April 12	John 19:1-3	We Cannot Disengage
Day Thirty-four, Saturday, April 13	John 19:15-17	Who is Our King?

**Palm Sunday, April 14**      **Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31; Philippians 2:5-11; \*Luke 19:28-40**  
**God Moves...to the Cross**  
**Holy Week**

Day Thirty-five, Monday, April 15	Luke 13:26; Matthew 11:28-30	Simon of Cyrene
Day Thirty-six, Tuesday, April 16	Luke 23:27-28	Do not Weep for Him
Day Thirty-seven, Wednesday, April 17	Luke 23:32-38	Father, Forgive Us
Day Thirty-eight, Thursday, April 18	Isaiah 53:10-12	God Knows
Day Thirty-nine, Friday, April 19	Luke 23:44-46	Father, into Your Hands
Day Forty, Saturday, April 20	Luke 23:50-56	No Crying He Makes

**Easter Sunday, April 21**      **\*John 20:1-18**  
**God Moves...to Bring Us Home to the Garden**

**Questions for Small Groups Each Week:**

1. What scripture readings this past week and the devotional written by Terry York spoke to you and gave insight into walking with Jesus? Were there prayers in the devotional that were meaningful for you and in what ways?
2. What scripture readings and the devotional did not speak to you or give you much insight into your walk with Jesus?
3. Do you see any strong threads that bind all of the scripture texts and the devotional reading together into a common theme? How was this expressed or not expressed in our Sunday worship?
4. The Sunday Lenten worship theme is God on the move. How in the scripture texts and the devotional do you experience God on the move?
5. If the theme of the devotional is returning to God, then how would you identify ways that we have wandered from God?
6. How do each of the scripture readings and the devotional help you to return to God? What does our congregational community need to do to return to God? What does our society need to do to return to God?