

## **Trinitarian Congregational Church**

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### **Holy Week Readings, 2021**

Hi all, with the effects of the coronavirus truly limiting the gathering of the church body during this most holy week of the church year I am offering you a unique, and hopefully blessed way to enter into the story of Jesus. And it is simple – read the story. Each day, from Palm Sunday to Easter I have detailed the events of the day. You can simply read the passage, or you can go a step further, imagining yourself in the story and having a ‘chat’ with Christ or any of the others you ‘meet along the way.’ You could also actually chat with live folks too, in your house or on the phone.

Here are some suggestion prompts for digging in to the passages, but you can create your own too. (this is a form of Lectio Divina). I would suggest this only for short sections of a reading, not the whole chapter.

What word or phrase catches my attention?

Where does this passage touch my life today? (where is there a ‘commonality’)?

What is God saying to me through this (here you can pray/chat, as mentioned above)?

What is God’s invitation to me (to know, be or do)?

From this reading what can I thank or acknowledge God for?

Each gospel varies the events, so you may skip around or choose one gospel to focus on.

## **HOLY WEEK**

### **Palm Sunday**

Triumphal Entry (Matthew 21:1-11, Mark 11:1-11, Luke 19:28-40, John 12: 12-19)  
Weeps over Jerusalem (Luke 19:41-44)

### **Holy Monday**

Curses a Fig Tree (Matthew 21:18-19, Mark 11:12-14)  
Clears The Temple (Matthew 21:12-17, Mark 11:15-19 Luke 19:45-48 John 2:13-17)

### **Holy Tuesday (you may choose to only read segments)**

Lesson of the Withered Fig Tree (Matthew 21:18-22, Mark 11:20-25)  
Challenge of Jesus’ Authority (Matthew 21:23-27, Mark 11:27-33, Luke 20:1-8)  
Parables of Warning (Matthew 21:28-22:14, Mark 12:1-12, Luke 20:9-19)  
Debate with Jewish Leaders (Matthew 22:15-46, Mark 12:13-37, Luke 20:20-44)  
Denounces Scribes and Pharisees (Matthew 23:1-39, Mark 12:38-44, Luke 20:45-21:4)  
Discourse on the Last Things (Matthew 24:1-25:46, Mark 13:1-37, Luke 21:5-36)

### **Holy Wednesday**

Conspiracy of the Chief Priests (Matthew 26:1-5, Mark 14:1-2, Luke 22:1-2)  
Anointing in Bethany and Plot of Judas (Matthew 26:6-16, Mark 14:3-11, Luke 22:3-6,  
John 11:45-12:8)

### **Holy Thursday**

The Last Supper (Matthew 26:17-35, Mark 14:12-31, Luke 22:7-38, John 13-17)  
Final Teachings (John 13:1-16:33)  
High Prayer John (John 17:1-26)  
Gethsemane (Matthew 26:36-46, Mark 14:32-42, Luke 22:39-46 )  
Betrayal and Arrest (Matthew 26:47-56, Mark 14:43-52, Luke 22:47-53, John 18:1-14)  
Trial Before Religious Leaders (Matthew 26:57-68, 27:1 Mark 14:53-65, 15:1,  
Luke 22: 54, 63-71, John 18:13-14, 19-24)  
Peter's Denial (Matthew 26:69-75, Mark 14:54.66-72, Luke 22:54-62  
John 18:15-18, 26-27)

### **Good Friday**

Trial Before Pilate and Herod (Matthew 27:1-14, Mark 15:1-5, Luke 23:1-16, John 18: 28-38)  
Condemned by the Crowd (Matthew 27:15-26, Mark 15:6-15, Luke 23:17-25  
John 18:39-19:16)  
Mocked by Soldiers (Matthew 27:27-31, Mark 15:16-20)  
Crucifixion (Matthew 27:32-56, Mark 15:21-41, Luke 23:26-49, John 19:17-37)  
Burial (Matthew 27:57-61, Mark 15:42-47, Luke 23:50-56, John 19:38-42)

### **Holy Saturday**

Watch at the Tomb (Matthew 27:62-66)

### **Easter Sunday**

The Resurrection (Matthew 28:1-10, Mark 16:1-8, Luke 24:1-12, John 20:1-18)  
The Report of the Watch (Matthew 28:11-15)  
Emmaus Road (Luke 24:13-35)  
Appears to Disciples (Matthew 28:16-20, Luke 24:13-49, John 20:19-23)

And in the following days and weeks there is more yet to come!