

Read the Bible in Three Years

December 2025							
December 1	Romans 1	December 9	Romans 9	December 17	Philippians 1	December 25	Matthew 1
December 2	Romans 2	December 10	Romans 10	December 18	Philippians 2	December 26	Matthew 2
December 3	Romans 3	December 11	Romans 11	December 19	Philippians 3	December 27	Matthew 3
December 4	Romans 4	December 12	Romans 12	December 20	Philippians 4	December 28	Matthew 4
December 5	Romans 5	December 13	Romans 13	December 21	Ruth 1	December 29	Matthew 5
December 6	Romans 6	December 14	Romans 14	December 22	Ruth 2	December 30	Matthew 6
December 7	Romans 7	December 15	Romans 15	December 23	Ruth 3	December 31	Matthew 7
December 8	Romans 8	December 16	Romans 16	December 24	Ruth 4		

January 2026							
January 1	Matthew 8	January 9	Matthew 16	January 17	Matthew 24	January 25	I Samuel 4
January 2	Matthew 9	January 10	Matthew 17	January 18	Matthew 25	January 26	I Samuel 5
January 3	Matthew 10	January 11	Matthew 18	January 19	Matthew 26	January 27	I Samuel 6
January 4	Matthew 11	January 12	Matthew 19	January 20	Matthew 27	January 28	I Samuel 7
January 5	Matthew 12	January 13	Matthew 20	January 21	Matthew 28	January 29	I Samuel 8
January 6	Matthew 13	January 14	Matthew 21	January 22	I Samuel 1	January 30	I Samuel 9
January 7	Matthew 14	January 15	Matthew 22	January 23	I Samuel 2	January 31	I Samuel 10
January 8	Matthew 15	January 16	Matthew 23	January 24	I Samuel 3		

The season of Advent not only begins the church year, but it begins our next year of Pr. Walt's 3-year Bible reading plan. We begin the church year with several books from the New Testament.

First, is Romans where we are reminded that all people have free access to the riches of God's grace in Christ as they respond in faith to the Gospel. In his own Son, God has made a way for lost people to be restored to Him.

Next is Philippians. This short book conveys a powerful message about the secret of contentment. Although Paul had faced severe hardships and even his current imprisonment, in every circumstance he had learned to be content.

Just before we celebrate Jesus's birth, we read through Ruth and learn a bit of King David's, and Jesus', heritage. On Christmas morning, we begin the Gospel of Matthew coinciding with year A of our lectionary. We will read through mid-January of Jesus' lineage, ministry, death, and resurrection. Finally, we begin I Samuel where we recount the birth of Samuel, God's last priest of Israel's theocracy, and the reign of their first king, Saul.