

11 2 Corinthians 12:11-21; Ephesians 5:1-21; Galatians 5:13-26; Colossians 3:5-17

He giveth more grace when the burdens grow greater, He sendeth more strength when the labor increases; to added affliction He addeth His mercy, to multiplied trials, His multiplied peace. His love has no limit, His grace has no measure, His power has no boundary known unto men; For out of His infinite riches in Jesus, He giveth, and giveth, and giveth again! (Hymns for the Family of God, #112)

12 2 Corinthians 13; 1 Peter 4; Romans 6:15-18; Ephesians 6:10-18
13 Acts 17:1-9; 1 Thessalonians 1; 1 Corinthians 4:15-16; 11:1; Hebrews 6:12; 13:7
14 1 Thessalonians 2:1-16; 2 Corinthians 11:7-9; James 1:1-2; Romans 5:3-5
15 1 Thessalonians 2:17-3:13; Ephesians 6:10-20; 1 Peter 5:6-10
16 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12; 1 John 3; Romans 13:8-14; Ephesians 4:28
17 1 Thessalonians 4:13-5:11; 1 Corinthians 15:12-58; Revelation 1:1-8
18 1 Thessalonians 5:12-28; Philippians 4:10-19; Proverbs 19:11; James 5:7-11

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in His excellent Word. What more can He say than to you He hath said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled? When through the deep waters I call thee to go, the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow; for I will be with thee, thy trials to bless, and sanctified to thee thy deepest distress. The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose I will not, I will not desert to his foes. That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never no never, no never forsake. (Worship in Song, #1)

19 2 Thessalonians 1; Matthew 5:10-12; 10
20 Matthew 24; 2 Thessalonians 2; Ephesians 1:3-14; Revelation 13:5-10; 14:1-13
21 2 Thessalonians 3; 2 Timothy 3; Deuteronomy 5:12-15; Proverbs 14:23; 28:19
22 1 Timothy 1; Romans 5:20; 7:7-8:17; Hebrews 5:11-14; James 3:1; 1 Peter 2:1-3
23 1 Timothy 2; Genesis 3; Proverbs 31; 11:16, 22; 14:1
24 1 Timothy 3; Romans 12; Hebrews 13:17
25 1 Timothy 4; 1:7; John 13:1-17; 1 Corinthians 11:1

A charge to keep have I, a God to glorify, another dying soul to save and fit it for the sky. To serve the present age, my calling to fulfill; O may it all my power engage to do my Master's will! Help me to watch and pray, and on Thyself rely, and let me ne'er my trust betray, but press to realms on high. (The Hymnbook, # 301)

26 1 Timothy 5:1-6:2; 1 Corinthians 7:8; James 1:27; Ephesians 6:5-9; Psalm 68:4-5
27 1 Timothy 6:3-21; Ecclesiastes 4:4-8; Luke 12; Revelation 3:14-22
28 2 Timothy 1; Mark 8:34-38; Romans 1:8-17; Philippians 1:12-30; 1 Peter 4:12-19
29 2 Timothy 2; Romans 6:1-14; Ephesians 4:1-3
30 2 Timothy 3; Jeremiah 12:10-11; 23:1-4; John 10:1-16; Acts 20:25-31
31 2 Timothy 4; 1 Corinthians 9:24-27; Philippians 3:7-4:1



First Cup Readings

July- August 2012



Let the morning bring me word
of your unfailing love,
for I have put my trust in you.
Show me the way I should go,
for to you I lift up my soul.
-Psalm 143:8

Dear Family in Christ,

First Cup is designed to assist you in the habit of daily Bible reading and prayer. The name is to remind you that as you reach for your first cup of morning coffee or tea, reach also for your Bible and prayer list. The prayers at the beginning of each week are taken from hymns, sometimes found in obscure hymnals in my library. They are intended to be read as your beginning prayer, to focus your mind on the daily readings that follow. May this spiritual discipline strengthen you as you face each day.

Blessings and love in Christ,
Sandy Sturch & Claire Averyt

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, ye soldiers of the cross! Lift high His royal banner, it must not suffer loss. From victory unto victory His army shall He lead, 'til every foe is conquered and Christ is Lord indeed. Stand up, stand up for Jesus, stand in His strength alone. The arm of flesh will fail you; you dare not trust your own. Put on the gospel armor, each piece put on with prayer. Where duty calls, or danger, be never wanting there. (The Hymnbook, #349)

JULY

- 1 Colossians 3:1-17; Ephesians 5:1-20; 1 John 1:5-2:11
- 2 Genesis 2:19-25; Matthew 5:27-32; 19:3-12; Ephesians 5:21-33
- 3 Deuteronomy 6:4-9; Proverbs 22:6; 29:17; Ephesians 6:1-9; Matthew 18:1-10
- 4 Isaiah 59; Ephesians 6:10-23; 1 Peter 5:8-11
- 5 John 17; 1 Corinthians 1:1-17; Galatians 5:16-26; James 3:13-18; Ephesians 4:1-6
- 6 1 Corinthians 1:18-2:5; Isaiah 29:13-14; Psalm 111:10; Colossians 1:9-14
- 7 1 Corinthians 2:6-16; John 14:15-31; Romans 16:25-27

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord. And we pray that all unity may one day be restored. We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land. We will work with each other; we will work side by side. We will guard each man's dignity and save each man's pride. And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love. Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love. (Hymns for the Family God #677)

- 8 1 Corinthians 3; Hebrews 5:11-6:3; Ephesians 2:19-22; Luke 6:46-49
- 9 1 Corinthians 4; Luke 12:42-48; Hebrews 3:1-6; 2 Timothy 3:10-17
- 10 1 Corinthians 5; Leviticus 18; 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12; Ephesians 5:1-17
- 11 1 Corinthians 6:1-11; Matthew 18:15-20; Jude 4-25; Revelation 20:11-15
- 12 1 Corinthians 6:12-20; Romans 6; 1 Peter 1:13-23; Galatians 5:16-25
- 13 1 Corinthians 7; Colossians 3:18-19; 1 Peter 3:1-7
- 14 1 Corinthians 8; Isaiah 44:9-20; Romans 14:1-8; Psalm 135:15-21

Bless be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above. Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers; our fears, our hopes, our aims, are one, our comforts and our cares. We share our mutual woes, our mutual burdens bear, and often for each other flows the sympathizing tear. From sorrow, toil, and pain, and sin we shall be free; And perfect love and friendship reign through all eternity. (The Hymnbook # 473)

- 15 1 Corinthians 9; Philippians 4:10-20; Luke 10:1-23
- 16 Exodus 16:1-17:7; 32; Hebrews 2; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13; James 1:12-15
- 17 Deuteronomy 32:16-21; 1 Corinthians 10:14-22; 2 Corinthians 6:14-7:1
- 18 1 Corinthians 10:23-11:1; Romans 14:1-15:13; 1 Timothy 4:4-8
- 19 Exodus 12:1-28; Matthew 26:26-30; 1 Corinthians 11:2-34; Colossians 3:1-17
- 20 Acts 1:6-8; Romans 1:11; 1 Corinthians 12:1-31; Ephesians 4:1-7; Romans 12

- 21 1 Corinthians 13; 1 John 3; Matthew 5:43-48

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness. I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name. When He shall come with trumpet sound, Oh, may I then in Him be found, dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless to stand before His throne! On Christ, the solid Rock I stand: All other ground is sinking sand. All other ground is sinking sand. (Worship in Song, # 92)

- 22 Genesis 11:1-9; Mark 16:14-20; 1 Corinthians 14; 1 John 4:1-6; Ephesians 4:8-16
- 23 Matthew 27:57-28:20; John 20:19-31; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Acts 22:2b-21
- 24 1 Corinthians 15:12-34; 2 Timothy 2:1-13; Micah 4:1-5; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
- 25 1 Corinthians 15:35-58; Genesis 1:1-2:3; Ezekiel 37:1-14; Philippians 3:7-11
- 26 1 Corinthians 16:1-4; Deuteronomy 15:7-11; Acts 4:32-35; 2 Corinthians 8:16-21
- 27 1 Corinthians 16:5-24; John 15:1-17
- 28 2 Corinthians 1:1-11; Psalm 71; 34

Standing on the promises of Christ, my King! Through eternal ages let His praises ring. "Glory in the Highest!" I will shout and sing, standing on the promises of God. Standing on the promises that cannot fail! When the howling storms of doubt and fear assail, by the living Word of God I shall prevail, standing on the promises of God. Standing on the promises of Christ, the Lord, bound to Him eternally by loves' strong cord, Overcoming daily with the Spirit's Sword, standing on the promises of God. (Worship in Song, # 472)

- 29 2 Corinthians 1:12-2:11 (see 1 Cor. 5); 1 John 2:1-11; 3:7-10; 1 Peter 5:8-11; Psalm 130
- 30 1 Corinthians 1:18; 2 Corinthians 2:12-16; John 3:16-18; 5:24; Romans 5:12-21
- 31 2 Corinthians 2:17-3:18; Exodus 34:1-28; Jeremiah 31:31-37; Hebrews 8

AUGUST

- 1 2 Corinthians 4; Hebrews 11:1, 6; Romans 8:18-27
- 2 2 Corinthians 5:1-10; 1 Corinthians 3:11-15; Romans 14:10-12; Colossians 1
- 3 2 Corinthians 5:11-6:2; Romans 5:1-6:14; 4:7-8
- 4 2 Corinthians 6:3-7:1; Ephesians 5:1-21; 1 Corinthians 5:9-13; Psalm 1

Be not dismayed what-e'er betide: God will take care of you. Beneath His wings of love abide; God will take care of you. Through days of toil when heart doeth fail; God will take care of you. When dangers fierce your path assail, God will take care of you. All that you need, He will provide; God will take care of you. Nothing you ask will be denied, God will take care of you. God will take care of you, through every day, o'er all the way. He will take care of you. (Worship in Song, #450)

- 5 2 Corinthians 7:2-16; Proverbs 28:13-14; Psalm 32
- 6 2 Corinthians 8:1-15; Philippians 4:10-20; James 2:14-17; Matthew 6:25-34
- 7 2 Corinthians 8:16-9:15; Proverbs 11:24-25; 22:9; Luke 6:38
- 8 1 Corinthians 1:20-31; 2 Corinthians 10; Jeremiah 9:23-24; Galatians 6:14
- 9 2 Corinthians 11:1-15; 1 Corinthians 2:1-5; Matthew 7:15-20; 2 Peter 2:1-3
- 10 2 Corinthians 11:16-12:10; Hebrews 11:32-34; Romans 8:26-39; Philippians 3