- 10 Revelation 3:14-22; Matthew 19:16-30; James 1:9-11; Hebrews 12:1-13
- 11 Isaiah 6:1-5; Ezekiel 1; Revelation 4; 1:4-6; Genesis 1:1; Colossians 1:15-23
- 12 John 1:29-39; Revelation 5; Psalm 33; Philippians 2:1-11
- 13 Zechariah 1:8-17; 6:1-8; Revelation 6; Hebrews 11; Matthew 10:17-42
- 14 Revelation 7:1 8:5; 21:3-5; Psalm 23:1; John 10:11-18; Colossians 2:2-4, 12
- 15 Revelation 8:6 9:21; Romans 1:18-32; 2 Timothy 3:1-5; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13
- 16 Revelation 10-11: Daniel 2:44: 7:14, 27: Psalm 2

Work for the night is coming, work through the morning hours; work while the dew is sparkling, work 'mid the springing flowers. Work when the day grows brighter, work in the glowing sun; work for the night is coming, when man's work is done. Work till the last beam fadeth, fadeth to shine no more; work while the night is dark'ning, when man's work is o'er.

(The Hymnbook, #297)

- 17 Matthew 2; 3:13-4:11; Revelation 12-13:1a; Job 1:9-11; Luke 10:18; 1 Peter 5:8-11
- 18 Revelation 13:1b-18; Luke 21:8-19; Romans 5:1-5; 15:4-6; 2 Corinthians 6:3-10
- 19 Revelation 14; Jeremiah 25:15-38; Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43; Galatians 6:7-8
- 20 Revelation 15-16; Luke 12:35-40; Joel 2:13-14; Hebrews 12:14-29
- 21 Revelation 13:1-9; 17; John 16:33; Psalm 33; 37
- 22 Revelation 18; 6:9-11; Hebrews 11
- 23 Revelation 19; Matthew 22:1-14; 25:1-13; 2 Thessalonians 2; John 3:16-21, 36

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne: Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own. Awake my soul and sing of Him who died for thee; and hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity. Crown Him the Lord of life: who triumphed o'er the grave, who rose victorious to the strife for those He came to save; His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high, who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die! (Hymns for the Family of God, #345)

- 24 Revelation 20; Matthew 25:31-46; Romans 2:1-16; 2 Corinthians 5:1-10
- 25 Isaiah 60; 62; John 14:1-6; Revelation 21
- 26 Genesis 3:21-24; Revelation 2:7, 11, 17, 26-29; 3:5, 11-13, 21; 7:1-3; 22:1-21
- 27 1 Thessalonians 1: 1 Corinthians 4:15-16: 11:1: Hebrews 6:12: 13:7
- 28 1 Thessalonians 2:1-16: 2 Corinthians 11:7-9: James 1:1-3: Romans 5:3-5
- 29 1 Thessalonians 2:17-3:13; Ephesians 6:10-20; 1 Peter 5:6-11
- 30 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12; 1 John 3; Romans 13:8-14; Ephesians 4:28
- 31 1 Thessalonians 4:13 5:11; I Corinthians 15:12-58; Revelation 1:1-8



First Cup Readings

July - August 2014



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

JULY

- 1 1 Corinthians 16:1-4; Deuteronomy 15:7-11; Acts 4:32-35; 2 Corinthians 8:16-21
- 2 1 Corinthians 16:5-24; John 15:1-17
- 3 2 Corinthians 1:1-11; Psalm 71; 34
- 4 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
- 5 1 Corinthians 1:18; 2 Corinthians 2:12-16; John 3:16-18; 5:24; Romans 5:12-21

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)

- 6 2 Corinthians 2:17-3:18; Exodus 34:1-28; Jeremiah 31:31-37; Hebrews 8
- 7 2 Corinthians 4; Hebrews 11:1,6; Romans 8:18-27
- 8 2 Corinthians 5:1-10; 1 Corinthians 3:11-15; Romans 14:10-12; Colossians 1
- 9 2 Corinthians 5:11-6:2; Romans 5:1-6:14; 4:7-8
- 10 2 Corinthians 6:3-7:1; Ephesians 5:1-21; 1 Corinthians 5:9-13; Psalm 1
- 11 2 Corinthians 7:2-16: Proverbs 28:13-14: Psalm 32
- 12 2 Corinthians 8:1-15; Philippians 4:10-20; James 2:14-17; Matthew 6:25-34

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)

- 13 2 Corinthians 8:16-9:15; Proverbs 11:24-25; 22:9; Luke 6:38
- 14 1 Corinthians 1:20-31; 2 Corinthians 10; Jeremiah 9:23-24; Galatians 6:14
- 15 2 Corinthians 11:1-15; 1 Corinthians 2:1-5; Matthew 7:15-20; 2 Peter 2:1-3
- 16 2 Corinthians 11:16-12:10: Hebrews 11:32-34: Romans 8:26-39: Philippians 3
- 17 2 Corinthians 12:11-21; Ephesians 5:1-21; Galatians 5:13-26; Colossians 3:5-17
- 18 2 Corinthians 13; 1 Peter 4; Romans 6:15-18; Ephesians 6:10-18
- 19 1Timothy 1; Romans 5:21; 7:7-8:17; Hebrews 5:11-14; James 3:1; 1 Peter 2:1-3

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)

- 20 1 Timothy 2; Genesis 3; Proverbs 31; 11:16, 22; 14:1
- 21 1 Timothy 3; Romans 12; Hebrews 13:17
- 22 1 Timothy 4; 1:7; John 13:1-17; 1 Corinthians 11:1
- 23 1 Timothy 5:1-6:2; 1 Corinthians 7:8; James 1:27; Ephesians 6:5-9; Psalm 68:4-5
- 24 1 Timothy 6:3-21; Ecclesiastes 4:4-8; Luke 12; Revelation 3:14-22
- 25 2 Timothy 1; Mark 8:34-38; Romans 1:8-17; Philippians 1:12-30; 1 Peter 4:12-19
- 26 2 Timothy 2; Romans 6:1-14; Ephesians 4:1-3

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)

- 27 2 Timothy 3; Jeremiah 12:10-11; 23:1-4; John 10:1-16; Acts 20:25-31
- 28 2 Timothy 4; 1 Corinthians 9:24-27; Philippians 3:7-4:1
- 29 Titus 1; 1 Timothy 1:1-7; 1 Corinthians 4:1-2; Philippians 1:11
- 30 Titus 2; Deuteronomy 6:1-9; 11:18-21; Psalm 25; Proverbs 9:9; 22:17-21
- 31 Titus 3; Romans 13; 1 Peter 2:17

AUGUST

- 1 Philemon; 1 Peter 3:15-16; Luke 9:26; Matthew 6:14; Luke 17:1-4; Romans 16
- 2 Revelation 1:1-8; John 1:1-18; Revelation 21:6; 22:6-21

The Church's one Foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord; She is His new creation by water and the Word: From heaven He came and sought her to be His holy Bride; With His own blood he bought her and for her life He died. Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth, Her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth; One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued. (The Hymnbook, #437)

- 3 Revelation 1:9-20; Daniel 7:13-14; Matthew 5:14-16; 16:13-20; 17:1-8; 24
- 4 Acts 19:1-20; 20:13-38; Revelation 2:1-7; 1 John 4:1-6; 2 John 4-11
- 5 James 2:5; Revelation 2:8-11; 1 Corinthians 9:24-27; Romans 5:3-5; James 1:1-12
- 6 Revelation 2:12-17 (see Num. 22-25); 2 Peter 2
- 7 1 Kings 16:29-34; 18:1-4, 17-21; 19:1-4; 21:5-23; Revelation 2:18-29; 2 Peter 3:9
- 8 John 15:1-8; Luke 12:35-40; Revelation 3:1-6; 7:9-17; 2 Timothy 3:1-5
- 9 Revelation 3:7-13; Matthew 23:13-39; 1 Corinthians 3:16-17; Ephesians 2:19-22

O Jesus, I have promised to serve Thee to the end; Be Thou forever near me, my Master and my Friend. I shall not fear the battle if Thou art by my side, nor wander from the pathway if Thou will be my Guide. O Jesus, Thou hast promised to all who follow Thee that where Thou art in glory, there shall Thy servant be. And Jesus, I have promised to serve Thee to the end; Oh give me grace to follow my Master and my Friend. (Hymns for the Family of God, #402)