

## ***Daily Bible Readings for June***

This month's readings are all over the place as we begin the longest stretch of the year: Common Time. But two things stood out at me as worthy of our attention. I Samuel and Revelation. I Samuel is a fun book to read because it is the history of Israel. The call of David as King and all the escapades of the Davidic Kingdom, worthy of its own daytime soap opera! There is mystery and intrigue, adultery and murder. Days of our Lives "ain't got nothing" on I Samuel! Revelation is a book that is just as fun to read if you can think of it as a book of hope rather than a "scare you into Heaven" reading. Revelation is often seen as a book of prophecies of the end of the world and the horror that will ensue. With its 6 headed beasts and secret codes, Revelation has been used to keep people in line and to read the newspaper with an eye on how close the end is. In reality, nothing could be further from the truth! Modern biblical scholarship teaches that Revelation is really a book of code for the early church that lived in terrible persecution. It is a book of hope for people whose faith meant almost daily threats of torture and imprisonment. And every generation has read Revelation with an eye to how it applies to their time because every generation has had its share of persecuted people. Bottom line, we are NOT necessarily the last generation and we don't know how any of these readings reflect ours or any other generation on earth. but what we do know is this: Whatever tribulation life may bring our way, personally or as a nation, Revelation teaches is that in the end...God wins! That's the message for a persecuted Church: In the end...God wins. That's the message to a woman facing divorce or a family in poverty or a person facing cancer. The only thing that will ever win in the end is GOD. Enjoy!

- **Friday, June 1, 2018:** Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; 1 Samuel 1:19-27; Romans 8:31-39  
OR Psalm 81:1-10; Leviticus 23:1-8; Romans 8:31-39
- **Saturday, June 2, 2018:** Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; 1 Samuel 2:1-10; John 7:19-24  
OR Psalm 81:1-10; Leviticus 24:5-9; John 7:19-24
- **Sunday, June 3, 2018: Proper 4 (9)**
- **Monday, June 4, 2018:** Psalm 99; 1 Samuel 2:11-17; Romans 9:19-29  
OR Psalm 78:1-4, 52-72; Exodus 16:13-26; Romans 9:19-29
- **Tuesday, June 5, 2018:** Psalm 99; 1 Samuel 2:18-21; Acts 15:1-5, 22-35  
OR Psalm 78:1-4, 52-72; Exodus 16:27-36; Acts 15:1-5, 22-35
- **Wednesday, June 6, 2018:** Psalm 99; 1 Samuel 2:22-36; John 5:1-18  
OR Psalm 78:1-4, 52-72; 1 Samuel 21:1-6; John 5:1-18
- **Thursday, June 7, 2018:** Psalm 138; 1 Samuel 4:1-22; 1 Peter 4:7-19  
OR Psalm 130; Isaiah 28:9-13; 1 Peter 4:7-19
- **Friday, June 8, 2018:** Psalm 138; 1 Samuel 5:1-12; 2 Corinthians 5:1-5  
OR Psalm 130; Deuteronomy 1:34-40; 2 Corinthians 5:1-5
- **Saturday, June 9, 2018:** Psalm 138; 1 Samuel 6:1-18; Luke 8:4-15  
OR Psalm 130; Genesis 2:4b-14; Luke 8:4-15
- **Sunday, June 10, 2018: Proper 5 (10)**
- **Monday, June 11, 2018:** Psalm 108; 1 Samuel 7:3-15; Revelation 20:1-6  
OR Psalm 74; 1 Samuel 16:14-23; Revelation 20:1-6
- **Tuesday, June 12, 2018:** Psalm 108; 1 Samuel 8:1-22; Revelation 20:7-15  
OR Psalm 74; 1 Kings 18:17-40; Revelation 20:7-15
- **Wednesday, June 13, 2018:** Psalm 108; 1 Samuel 9:1-14; Luke 11:14-28  
OR Psalm 74; Isaiah 26:16-27:1; Luke 11:14-28
- **Thursday, June 14, 2018:** Psalm 20; 1 Samuel 9:15-27; Hebrews 2:5-9  
OR Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15; Genesis 3:14-24; Hebrews 2:5-9
- **Friday, June 15, 2018:** Psalm 20; 1 Samuel 10:1-8; Hebrews 11:4-7  
OR Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15; 1 Kings 10:26-11:8; Hebrews 11:4-7

- **Saturday, June 16, 2018:** Psalm 20; 1 Samuel 13:1-15a; Mark 4:1-20  
OR Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15; 2 Kings 14:1-14; Mark 4:1-20
- **Sunday, June 17, 2018: Proper 6 (11)**
- **Monday, June 18, 2018:** Psalm 53; 1 Samuel 13:23-14:23; Galatians 6:11-18  
OR Psalm 52; Ezekiel 31:1-12; Galatians 6:11-18
- **Tuesday, June 19, 2018:** Psalm 53; 1 Samuel 15:10-23; Revelation 21:22-22:5  
OR Psalm 52; Jeremiah 21:11-14; Revelation 21:22-22:5
- **Wednesday, June 20, 2018:** Psalm 53; 1 Samuel 15:24-31; Luke 6:43-45  
OR Psalm 52; Jeremiah 22:1-9; Luke 6:43-45
- **Thursday, June 21, 2018:** Psalm 9:9-20; 1 Samuel 16:14-23; Acts 20:1-16  
OR Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32; Job 29:1-20; Acts 20:1-16
- **Friday, June 22, 2018:** Psalm 9:9-20; 1 Samuel 17:55-18:5; Acts 21:1-16  
OR Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32; Job 29:21-30:15; Acts 21:1-16
- **Saturday, June 23, 2018:** Psalm 9:9-20; 1 Samuel 18:1-4; Luke 21:25-28  
OR Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32; Job 37:1-13; Luke 21:25-28
- **Sunday, June 24, 2018: Proper 7 (12)**
- **Monday, June 25, 2018:** Psalm 119:113-128; 1 Samuel 18:6-30; Acts 27:13-38  
OR Psalm 65; Exodus 7:14-24; Acts 27:13-38
- **Tuesday, June 26, 2018:** Psalm 119:113-128; 1 Samuel 19:1-7; Acts 27:39-44  
OR Psalm 65; Exodus 9:13-35; Acts 27:39-44
- **Wednesday, June 27, 2018:** Psalm 119:113-128; 1 Samuel 19:8-17; Mark 6:45-52  
OR Psalm 65; Joshua 10:1-14; Mark 6:45-52
- **Thursday, June 28, 2018:** Psalm 130; 1 Samuel 19:18-24; 2 Corinthians 7:2-16  
OR Psalm 30; Lamentations 1:16-22; 2 Corinthians 7:2-16
- **Friday, June 29, 2018:** Psalm 130; 1 Samuel 20:1-25; 2 Corinthians 8:1-7  
OR Psalm 30; Lamentations 2:1-12; 2 Corinthians 8:1-7
- **Saturday, June 30, 2018:** Psalm 130; 1 Samuel 20:27-42; Luke 4:31-37  
OR Psalm 30; Lamentations 2:18-22; Luke 4:31-37