

SCRIPTURE · READING SCRIPTURE THE ANGLICAN WAY

The Lectionary as a School of Reading

Catechesis Track, Lesson 5 · About 25 min

Nehemiah 8 shows Ezra reading the Law aloud to a gathered people who could not read it themselves. The lectionary continues that ministry today.

Formed by what we hear

The lectionary does not let a congregation, or a preacher, only hear their favorite passages. Over a three-year cycle it exposes the whole Church to the sweep of Scripture, including the parts we would rather skip.

READ THE SCRIPTURES

Nehemiah 8:1-8 | Luke 4:16-21

FROM THE PRAYER BOOK

Collect for Proper 28

“Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning...”

FOR A PARISH SMALL GROUP: DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What passage has the lectionary introduced you to that you might have skipped on your own?
2. How does hearing Scripture read aloud differ from reading it silently?