Sunday *Lectionary* Readings: God’s Ongoing Story of Love for Humanity

Circle the set of readings that your group has been assigned:

First Sunday of Advent, B: Isaiah 63:16–17,19; 64:2–7

1 Corinthians 1:3–9

Mark 13:33–37

Third Sunday of the Year, A: Isaiah 8:23—9:3

1 Corinthians 1:1–13,17

Matthew 4:12–23

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the King, C: 2 Samuel 5:1–3

Colossians 1:12–20

Luke 23:35–43

Sixth Sunday of the Year, B: Leviticus 13:1–2,44–46

1 Corinthians 10:13—11:1

Mark 1:40–45

Ninth Sunday of the Year, C: Sirach (Ben Sira) 27:4–7

1 Corinthians 15:54–58

Luke 6:39–45

**1.** Write a two-sentence summary of each of your three readings.

**2.** What images or symbols do these readings (either two or all three) have in common?

**3.** What themes or ideas do these readings (either two or all three) have in common?

**4.** How is God’s loving relationship with humanity revealed in the Old Testament reading?

**5.** How is that loving relationship with humanity continued in the Gospel reading? in the New Testament reading?

**6.** What is the Church trying to teach us by intentionally assigning these three readings to one particular Sunday liturgy? Pay attention to any important message that may be conveyed by pairing the Old Testament reading and the Gospel reading.

Create a Poster

Use your answers to the questions above, and other points that have surfaced in your discussion, to create a poster about your three readings, including the following elements:

It should be primarily visual (symbols and images), but it may contain some words.

It must convey the content of your three readings, including the connections and commonalities among them.

It must convey the idea of God’s ongoing love for humanity, revealed through all three readings (that is, through both Testaments).