



**Here is the Summer Challenge:**

**Step One:** Find a Book of Common Prayer in your home or at Church. (You have permission to borrow a BCP – the little maroon-coloured prayer book on the shelves at St. John’s. Please return it in September!)

**Step Two:** Find Page 728 in the BCP Forms of Prayers to be used in Families. Set aside a time and place each day or evening to follow the short service / devotion time for Morning and / or Evening, on your own with others. (A friend I know goes for a walk or cycles with his prayer book, finds a quiet spot and sits with his BCP to do his morning prayers. Whatever your spot, try to be consistent, but don’t feel guilty. This is about walking closer in the presence of God who loves you deeply)

**Step Three:** Find the Collect for the day (meaning the prayer for the whole week) beginning with the Collect for Trinity Sunday (this year, it falls on Father’s Day, Sunday June 19th, 2011) on Pg 217 of the BCP. (The season we celebrate in Church on Sunday is called the Sundays after Pentecost. This year, Pentecost falls on June 12.)

The BCP uses the older ordering of weeks numbering from Trinity Sunday, June 19. One system of marking the weeks from Pentecost till Advent Sunday is not necessarily any better than the other.

If you already have a habit of reading the bible and praying, you might like to take a break and enjoy the Summer Challenge of using the Book of Common Prayer.

Week of June 19	Trinity Sunday	Pg 217
Week of June 26	Second Sunday of Trinity	Pg 219
Week of July 3	Third Sunday of Trinity	Pg 221
Week of July 10	Fourth Sunday of Trinity	Pg 223
Week of July 17	Fifth Sunday of Trinity	Pg 224
Week of July 24	Sixth Sunday of Trinity	Pg 226
Week of July 31	Seventh Sun. of Trinity	Pg 228
Week of Aug. 7	Eighth Sun. of Trinity	Pg 229
Week of Aug. 14	Ninth Sun. of Trinity	Pg 231
Week of Aug. 21	Tenth Sun. of Trinity	Pg 233
Week of Aug. 28	Eleventh Sun of Trinity	Pg 234
Week of Sept. 4	Twelfth Sun of Trinity	Pg 236

Let me know through the summer or in the fall how your Summer Challenge has gone. God bless!

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