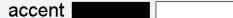





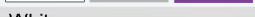


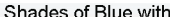
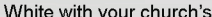



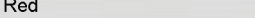

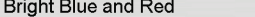








# The African American Lectionary / Liturgical Colors Calendar

LITURGICAL MOMENT ON THE CALENDAR	DATE OF CELEBRATION	LITURGICAL COLORS	WHAT SELECTED COLORS REPRESENT
Watch Night	Thursday, December 31, 2009	Spectrum goes from Black to Ivory through shades of Brown	Our liberation from slavery which can be viewed as moving from night to day; a mood of expectation
Emancipation Proclamation Day and Juneteenth	Friday, January 1, 2010	Spectrum goes from Ivory to Black through shades of Brown	Emancipation never meant arrival; God's graciousness in spite of historical
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday (Beloved Community Day)	Monday, January 18, 2010	Black and White	The colors of the Modern Civil Rights Movement
Black History Month	Held throughout February in 2010	Red, Black, Green, and Yellow	Heritage, History, Remembrance
Ash Wednesday (Beginning of the Lenten Season)	Wednesday, February 17, 2010	Violet or Gray	Penitence
MAAFA	Wednesday, February 17, 2010	Black, Green, Red, and Yellow	Heritage, History, Remembrance
Lent	Sunday, February 21, 2010	Violet or Gray	Solemnity and Repentance
Palm Sunday	Sunday, March 28, 2010	Green	Hope (often signified through green palms)
Holy Thursday (Also called Maundy Thursday)	Thursday, April 1, 2010	White	Standard color for this period of the High Holy season
Good Friday	Friday, April 2, 2010	Black	Acknowledgment of the Death of Christ
Easter	Sunday, April 4, 2010	White and Gold	Resurrection, Light
Earth Day	Thursday, April 22, 2010	NuGreen	New growth, Life, and Renewal
Mother's Day	Sunday, May 9, 2010	Red and White	Red for mothers who are still living and White for mothers who are deceased
Pentecost Sunday	Sunday, May 23, 2010	Burnt Orange and Red	Signify the fire of the Holy Spirit; tongues of fire
Graduation Sunday	Sunday, June 6, 2010 (Or as determined by your church)	Royal Blue or Gray	New Knowledge and Wisdom
Father's Day	Sunday, June 20, 2010	Maroon, Burgundy	Robust, Royal and Strong
African Heritage Sunday	Held as determined by your church	Black, Green, Red, and Yellow	Pride and a connection to Africa
Arts Day	Held as determined by your church	Vibrant Jewel Tones	Varieties of Gifts
Baptism	Held as determined by your church	White	Purity
Children's Sunday (Birth-Age 12)	Held as determined by your church (Suggest be held at least 4 Sundays/yearly)	Yellow, Orange, Green, Blue, Pink and Red	The colors of the rainbow representing all children
Choir Anniversary	Held as determined by your church	Purple or Royal Blue with Gold accents	Priestly, worshippers, light
Christian Education Sunday (Sunday School and Bible Training)	Held as determined by your church	Red and Gray	The blood of Christ, and Wisdom
Church Anniversary	Held as determined by your church	White with your church's preferred color accent	Purity and Celebration
Diffently Abled Sunday	Held as determined by your church	Blue and Amber	Varieties of gifts and the presence of God
Anti-Incarceration/Justice Sunday	Held as determined by your church	Kente, Red, Black, and Green	The weaving of our culture, colors of strength, and dignity
Family Enrichment Day	Held as determined by your church	Sky Blue	Harmony and Family
Health Day (Focus on Our Physical and mental well-being)	Held as determined by your church	Burnt Copper	Radiance in spite of illness; also to be used for Anti-addiction, and Cancer Awareness Day
Holy Communion	Held as determined by your church	White and Red	Colors symbolize Christ body and shed blood

Homecoming or Family and Friends Day	Held as determined by your church	Black and White with your church's preferred color accent 	Fellowship and Remembrances
Installation of Officers/Leaders/Pastors	Held as determined by your church	Purple with your church's preferred color accent 	Leadership, Accountability
Men's Day	Held as determined by your church	Maroon or Burgundy 	Strong, Robust, and Stately
Missionary Sunday (Mission Work Abroad)	Held as determined by your church (World Missions Day is Sun. Jan. 21, in 2010)	Teal and White 	Pure in heart and bright in disposition
Missionary Sunday (Mission Work at Home)	Held as determined by your church	White with your church's preferred color accent 	Pure in heart and Compassionate
Ordinations	Held as determined by your church	Ivory and NuGold 	Newness and Accountability
Pastor's Anniversary	Held as determined by your church	White or Gray with Purple as the accent color 	Purity, Priestly, Leadership
Revival	Held as determined by your church	White 	Purity and Sanctification
Singles Day	Held as determined by your church	Black, Bronze, Gold, and Silver 	Richness and Sufficiency
Stewardship Sunday	Held as determined by your church	Green and Gold 	Life and the richness of all of God's -gifts to us
Usher's Day	Held as determined by your church	Shades of Blue with your church's preferred accent color 	Servant
Women's Day	Held as determined by your church	White with your church's preferred accent color 	Holiness and Leadership
Young Adult Sunday	Held as determined by your church (Suggest be held at least 5 Sundays a year)	Teal and Purple 	Bright disposition/enthusiasm and boldness/leadership
Youth Day	Held as determined by your church(Suggest be held at least 5 Sundays a year)	Red, Black, and Gold 	Vibrancy, Light
Independence Sunday (Honoring those who helped gain our Independence)	Sunday, July 4, 2010	Red, White, and Blue 	National freedom and Independence
Martyrs' Sunday (All Saints Day) (Remembering Slain Heroes and Heroines)	Monday, November 1, 2010	Red 	Blood
Thanksgiving	Sunday, November 21, 2010 or Thurs. Nov. 25, 2010	Burnt Orange, Maize, Brown, and Bronze 	Harvest, Abundance and Thankfulness
1st Sunday of Advent & World AIDS Day	Sunday, November 28, 2010(World AIDS Day is Dec. 1, 2010)	Bright Blue and Red 	Preparation, Expectation and Blood/Life
2nd Sunday of Advent	Sunday, December 5, 2010	Bright Blue 	Preparation and Expectation
3rd Sunday of Advent	Sunday, December 12, 2010	Pink or Rose 	Expectation, Joy, and Happiness
4th Sunday of Advent	Sunday, December 19, 2010	Pink or Rose 	Expectation, Joy, and Happiness
Christmas	Saturday, December 25, 2010	White, Gold, or both colors 	Purity and Majesty/Lordship
Kwanzaa	Sunday, December 26, 2010 –Saturday, January 1, 2011	Red, Black, and Green 	Solidarity with our Motherland, also indicates, blood, fertile land, and life