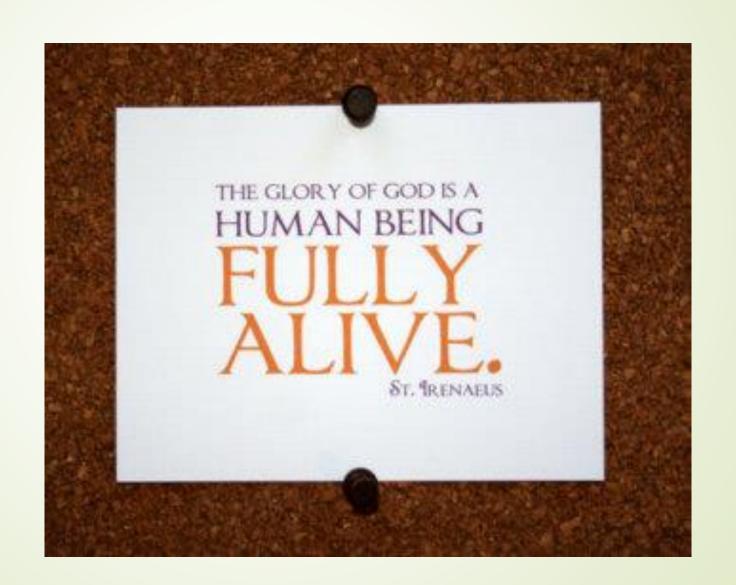
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"I don't dislike him. I just don't like him, which is quite different."

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- John 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.
- Matthew 5:43-48 Jesus said, "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax-collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.
- Galatians 5:6 For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision counts for anything; the only thing that counts is faith working through love.
- Colossians 5:6 For we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints

## Loving those you like ... and those you don't like

- 1. Pausing
- 2. Noticing
- 3. Opening
- 4. Yielding
- 5. Stretching
- 6. Responding

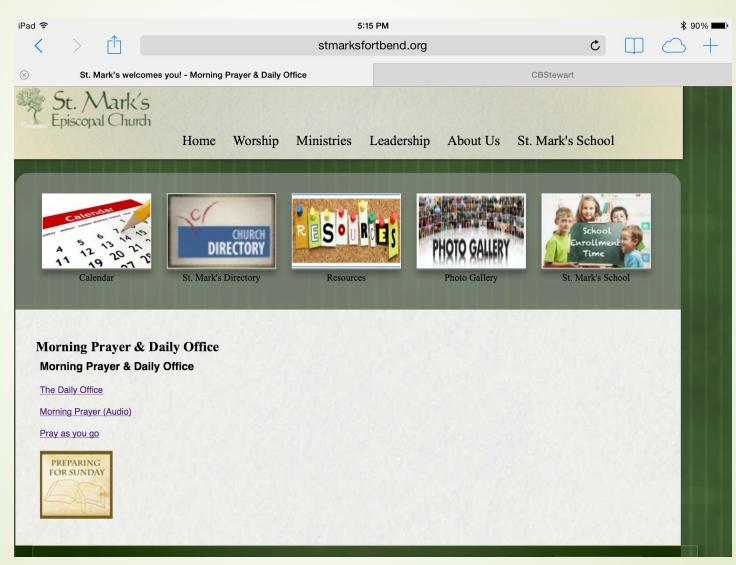
Bryan Owen says, "The implications for the Christian life are profound, for we not only worship Jesus as Lord and Savior. We also revere him as 'an example of godly life,' acknowledging that we are called 'to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life' (Book of Common Prayer [1979], p. 232). If we are to share God's love and compassion, if we seek to stay true to our mission as the Church, if we seek to be faithful disciples even when it's difficult to do so, then we must adopt the same spiritual practices that sustained Jesus."

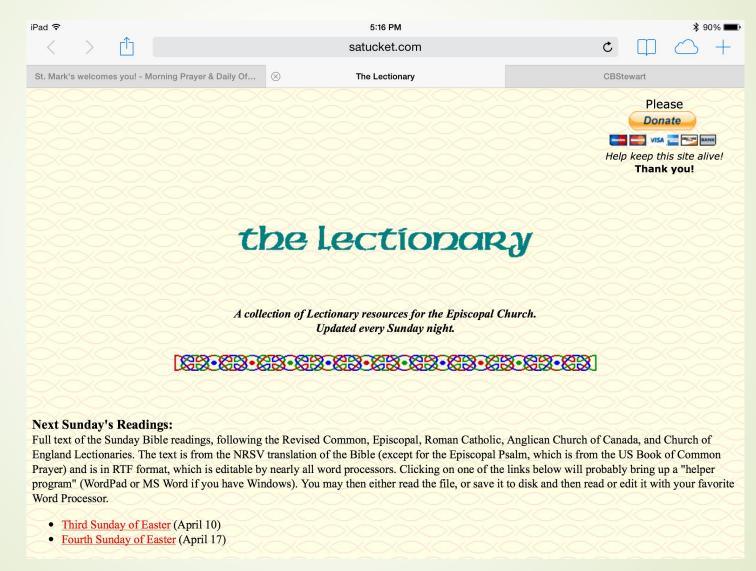
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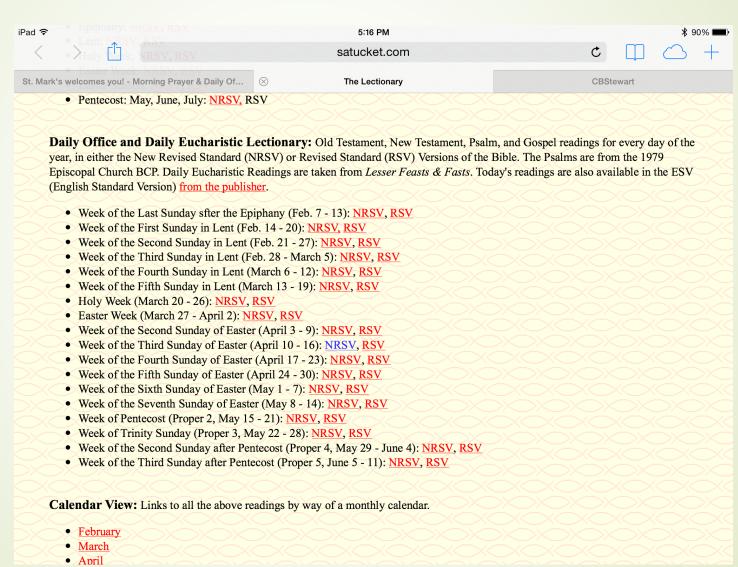
- 1. Reading and meditating on God's Word
- 2. Daily prayer
- 3. Weekly attendance at worship
- 4. Servant ministry
- 5. Giving for the spread of God's kingdom

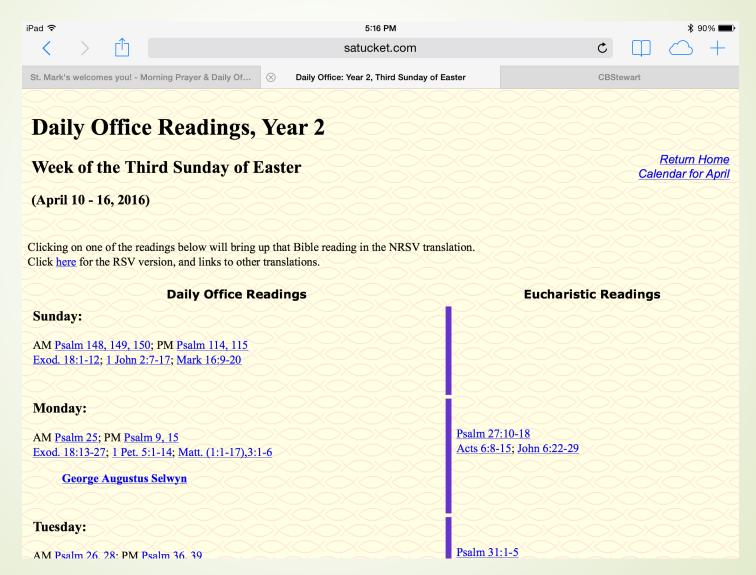


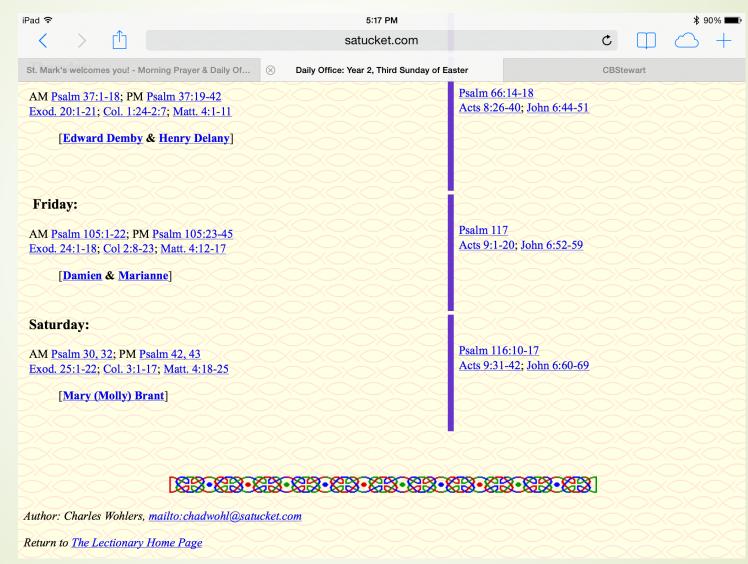


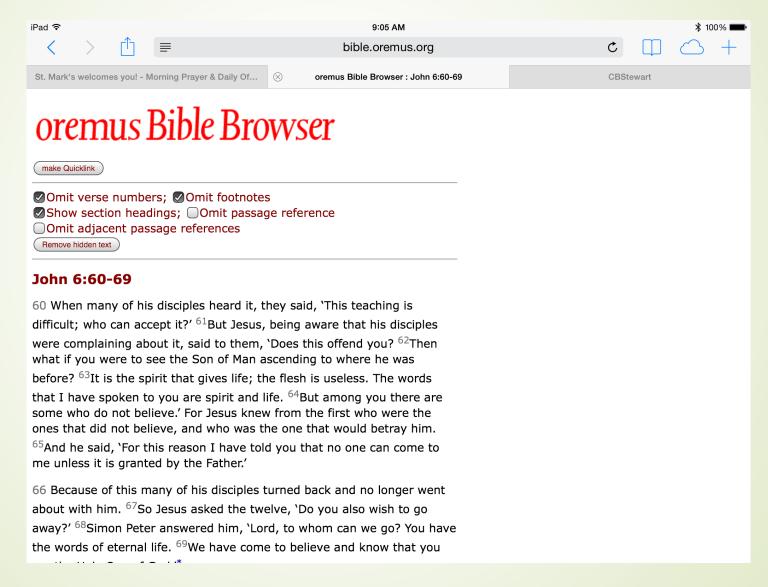


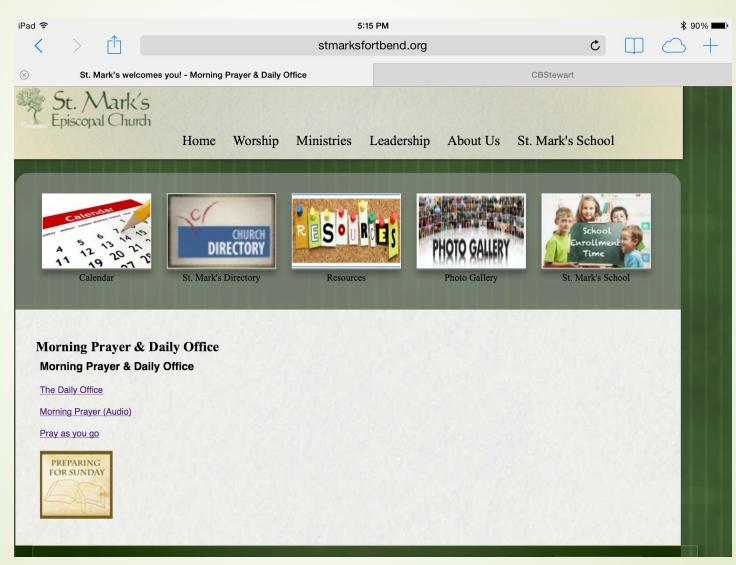


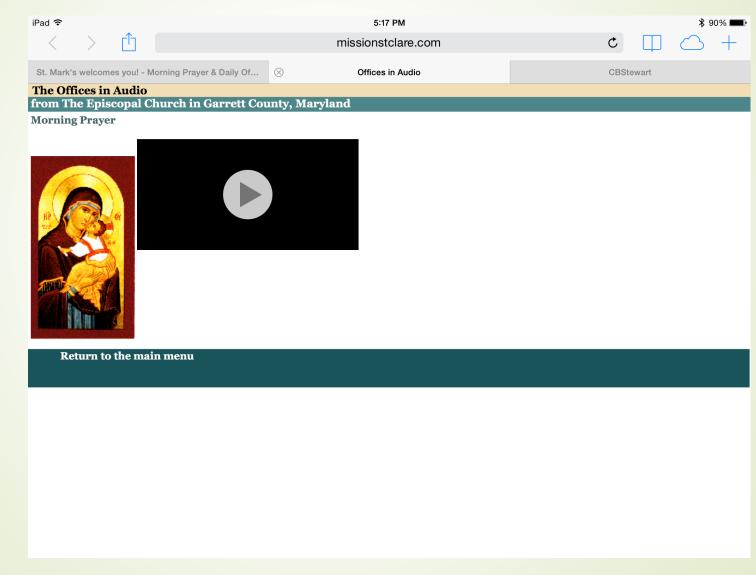


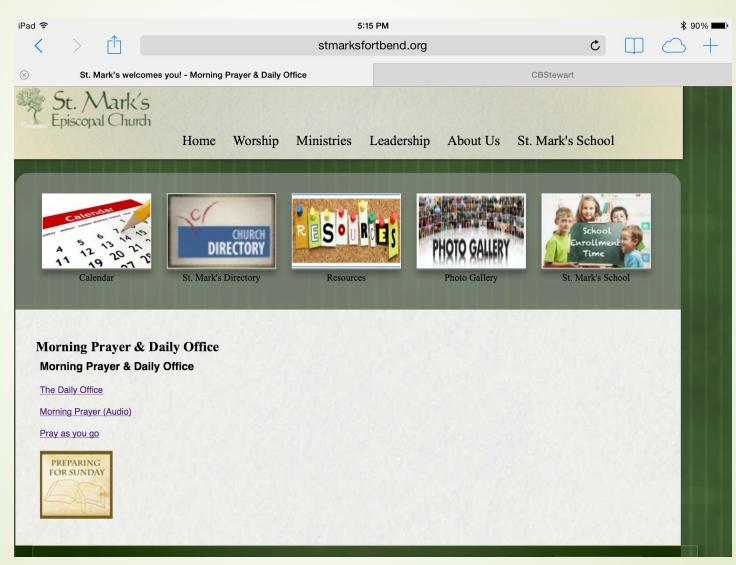


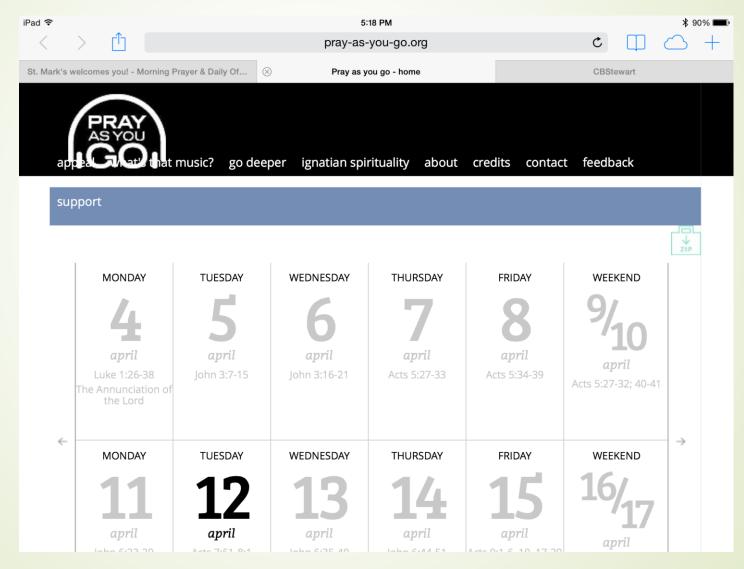


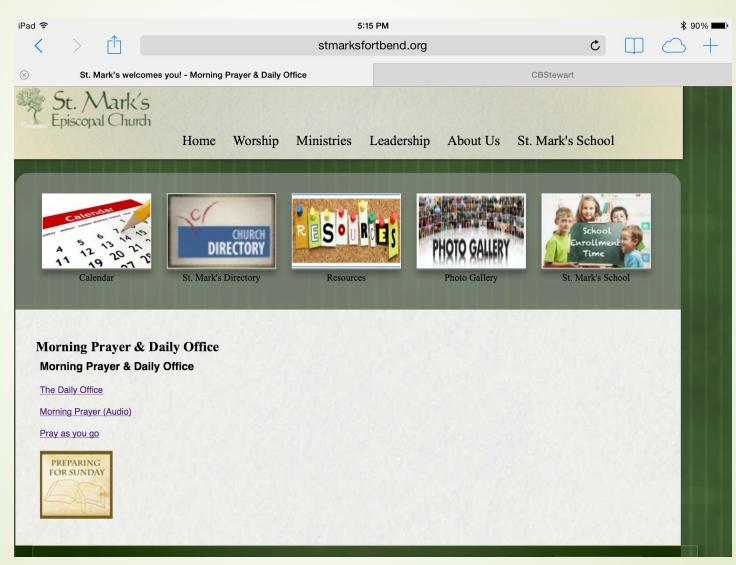


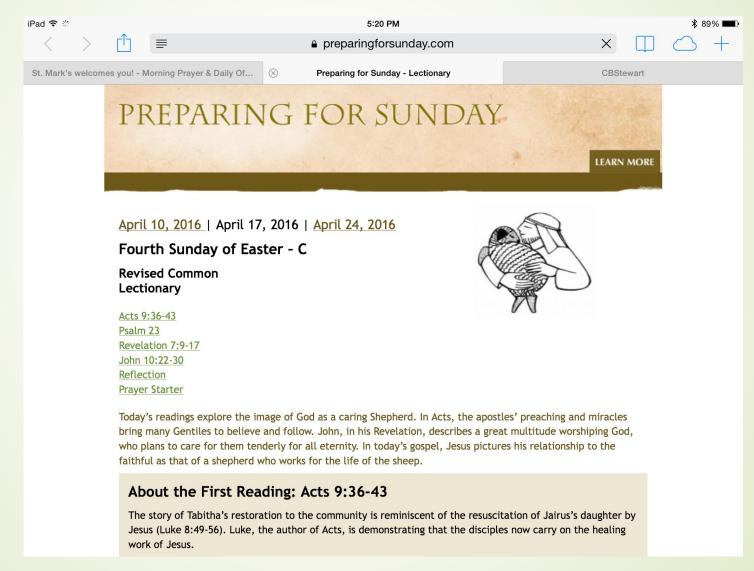


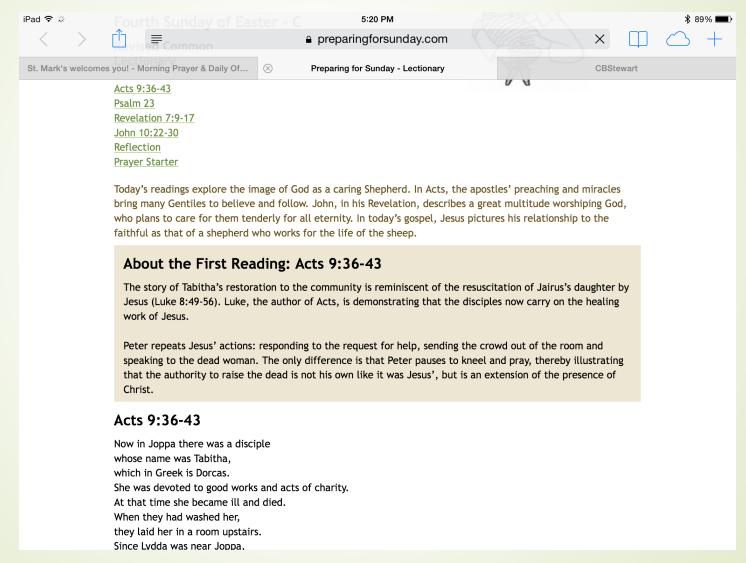


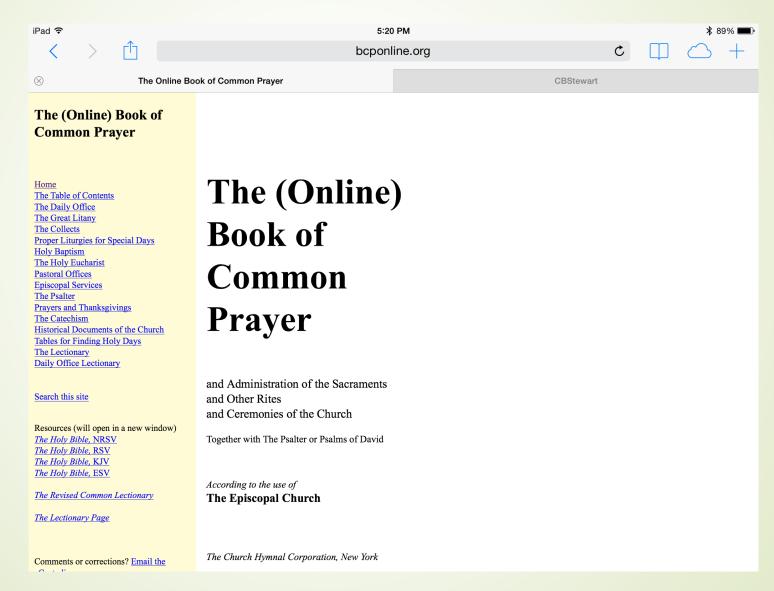


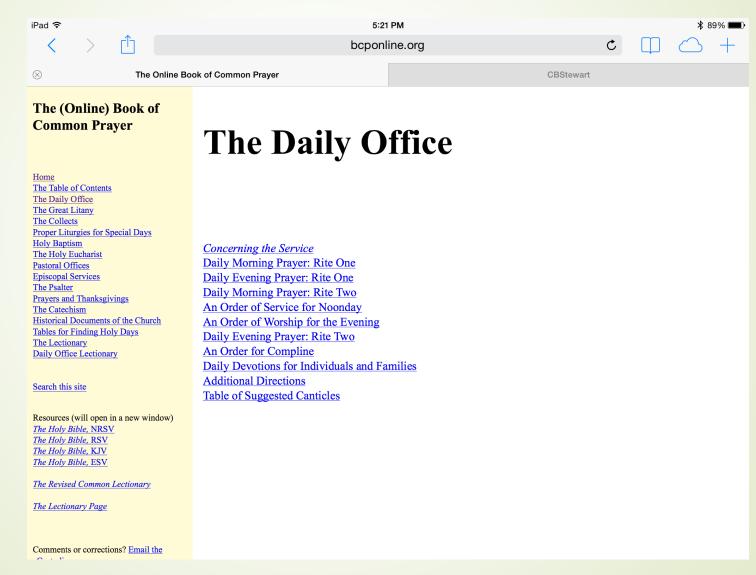


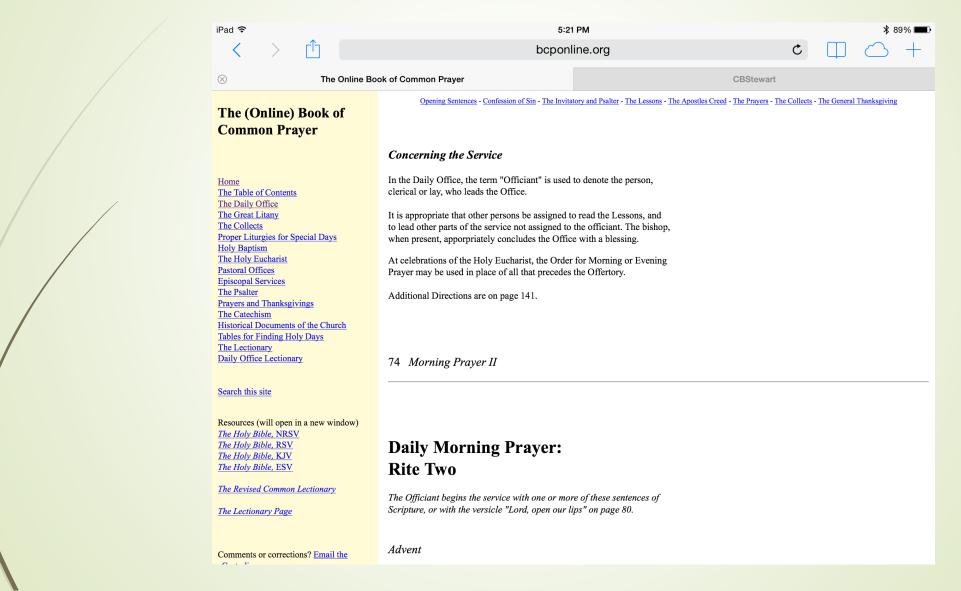


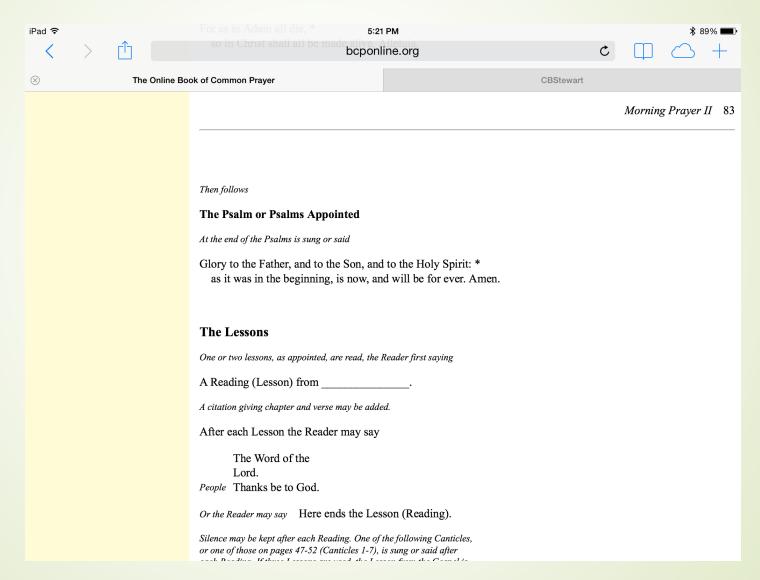












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- Philippians 4:13 I can do all things through him who strengthens me.
- Ephesians 3:8b (the Voice) But here I am, a grace-made man, privileged to be an echo of His voice.

# Building up others and bringing the light out of others

■ 1 Thessalonians 5:11 – Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

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