

Bible and Church-History Timeline

Truro Anglican Church

Old Testament

1. God Creates a Perfect World and Makes Man In His Own Image.
2. Adam and Eve Sin and Bring Death and Destruction into the World.
3. Noah, the Flood, and the Covenant of the Rainbow.
4. The Tower of Babel.
5. God Promises to Make Abraham a Great Nation and Bless All Nations Through Him (after 2200 BC).
6. Birth and Sacrifice of Isaac (after 2100 BC).
7. Jacob and Esau Quarrel and Reconcile (after 2000 BC).
8. Jacob becomes Israel, Father of the Twelve Tribes (after 2000 BC).
9. Joseph: Favorite Son, Slave, Ruler of Egypt, and Savior of His Brothers (after 1900 BC).
10. The Burning Bush, Plagues and Passover, and Exodus from Egypt (after 1450 BC).
11. God Gives Moses the 10 Commandments at Mount Sinai (after 1450 BC).
12. Israel Rebels and Wanders in the Desert for 40 Years (after 1450 BC).
13. Joshua Leads Israel Into Canaan (after 1400 BC).
14. Deborah, Samson, and Other Judges (after 1375 BC).
15. Naomi and Ruth, David's Great-Grandmother (c. 1150 BC).
16. Samuel: Priest, Prophet, and the Last Judge (c. 1100 BC).
17. Israel Receives Saul as King (c. 1050 BC).
18. God Chooses the Shepherd, David, as King and Promises Him an Eternal Throne (c. 1020 - 970 BC).
19. Solomon Receives Wisdom and Builds God's Temple in Jerusalem (970-30 BC).
20. David and Solomon's Kingdom Divides into North (Israel) and South (Judah) (930 BC).
21. Elijah and Elisha: Two Great Prophets to Israel (800s BC).
22. Jonah: The Disobedient Prophet to Nineveh (c. 760 BC).

23. Isaiah Comforts and Offers Hope for a Messiah from David (c. 740-680 BC).
24. Assyria Destroys Israel While Judah Survives Under King Hezekiah (722-01 BC).
25. King Josiah Finds and Recommits Judah to the Laws of Moses (628 BC).
26. Babylon Conquers Judah, Destroys the Temple, and Exiles the Jews, including Daniel and Ezekiel (605-586 BC).
27. King Cyrus of Persia Allows Jews to Return and Rebuild the Temple (538 BC).
28. Ezra the Priest and Nehemiah the Governor Encourage the Returned Exiles (458 - c. 430 BC).
29. The Time Between the Testaments Begins (c. 400 BC).
30. Alexander the Great Takes Jerusalem (332 BC).

New Testament

31. Jesus the Messiah, Descended from David, is Born of the Virgin Mary (c. 5 BC).
32. John the Baptist Prepares the Way (c. 28 AD).
33. Jesus is Baptized by John and Tempted by Satan (c. 29 AD).
34. Jesus's Earthly Ministry (c. 29-33 AD).
35. John and James (Sons of Thunder), Simon Peter (The Rock), and his Brother Andrew.
36. Matthew (The Tax Collector), Thomas (The Doubter), James (Son of Alphaeus), and Simon (The Zealot).
37. Phillip, Bartholomew, Thaddeus, and Judas Iscariot (The Betrayer).
38. The Last Supper, the First Communion (33 AD).
39. Jesus is Crucified under Pontius Pilate and Rises from the Dead (33 AD).
40. Jesus Appears to His Disciples for 40 Days and Ascends Into Heaven (33 AD).
41. The Church Receives the Holy Spirit at Pentecost (33 AD).
42. Stephen, Deacon and First Christian Martyr (c. 33 AD).

43. Paul is Converted to Christ and Spreads Gospel to Asia Minor and Greece (c. 34-65 AD).
44. The Council at Jerusalem Accepts Gentiles as Full Members of the Church (c. 49 AD).
45. Books of the New Testament are Written (c. 45-95 AD).

History of the Church After the New Testament

46. James, Brother of Jesus and Bishop of Jerusalem, is Martyred by the High Priest (62 AD).
47. Peter and Paul Are Martyred in Rome under Emperor Nero (c. 65 AD).
48. Roman Empire Destroys the Temple in Jerusalem (70 AD).
49. John Dies in Ephesus (c. 100 AD).
50. Early Bishops: Ignatius of Antioch; Polycarp of Smyrna; Clement of Rome (c. 100 AD).
51. Irenaeus, Bishop of Lyons, Defends the Faith Against Heresies (130-202 AD).
52. The Apostles' Creed Develops in Western Churches from Baptism Liturgies (c. 200 AD).
53. Edict of Milan: Roman Emperor Constantine Legalizes Christianity, Ending 250 Years of Persecution (313 AD).
54. Council of Nicaea Writes the Nicene Creed to Affirm Christ's Divinity (325 AD).
55. Athanasius, Bishop of Alexandria, Defends the Nicene Creed (325-73 AD).
56. Council of Constantinople Reaffirms and Expands the Nicene Creed (381 AD).
57. Augustine, Bishop of Hippo, and John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople (c. 400 AD).
58. The Council of Chalcedon and Pope Leo the Great (451 AD).
59. Fall of Rome, Start of the Dark Ages in the West (476 AD).
60. Augustine, First Archbishop of Canterbury, and Aidan, Bishop of Lindisfarne, Replant Christianity in England (600-50 AD).
61. Rise of Islam Challenges Church in the East, North Africa, and Spain (beg. 630 AD).
62. Synod of Whitby Aligns Church in England with Rest of Western Church (664 AD).

63. The "Great Schism" Between the Western and Eastern Churches (1054 AD).
64. Thomas Aquinas Completes His *Summa Theologiae* (1272 AD).
65. Gutenberg Prints the Bible (1455 AD).
66. Martin Luther Sparks the Reformation by Posting his 95 Theses (1517 AD).
67. English Parliament's Act of Supremacy Completes Division From Church of Rome (1534 AD).
68. John Calvin Writes His *Institutes of the Christian Religion* and Leads Reformed Church in Geneva (1536-64 AD).
69. Church of England under Thomas Cranmer, Archbishop of Canterbury, Issues *Book of Common Prayer* and Articles of Religion (1549-53 AD).
70. "Bloody" Queen Mary Restores Roman Church and Executes Bishops Cranmer, Latimer, and Ridley (1553-58 AD).
71. Queen Elizabeth Re-establishes *Book of Common Prayer* and Articles of Religion (1559-71 AD).
72. King James Bible Published (1611 AD).
73. John Wesley Leads Revival Movement in Church of England (1745-90 AD).
74. Anglican Church Spreads to North America and Around the World (1607 AD – Present).

(Bible dates based on ESV Study Bible)