

Mary's favorite books of 2020

Anxious People. Fredrik Backman
Beach Read. Emily Henry
Circe. Madeline Miller
Eleanor Oliphant Is Completely Fine. Gail Honeyman
The Giver of Stars. Jojo Moyes
Perestroika in Paris. Jane Smiley
Sea Wife. Amity Gaige
The Summer Book. Tove Jansson
The Testaments. Margaret Atwood
Writers & Lovers. Lily King

Reading about past plagues puts 2020 in perspective:

Brave Hearts: A San Francisco Story. Jean Mahoney (scarlet fever, 1915)
The Corner That Held Them. Sylvia Townsend Warner (Black Death, 1349)
Pale Horse, Pale Rider. Katherine Anne Porter (Spanish flu, 1918)

Judy's favorite audiobooks of 2020

A Time for Mercy, John Grisham
All the Devils Are Here, Louise Penny
Anxious People, Fredrik Backman
Breath, James Nestor
Caste, Isabel Wilkerson
His Truth Is Marching On, Jon Meacham
How to Be an Antiracist, Ibram X. Kendi
Invisible Girl, Lisa Jewell
Is This Anything? Jerry Seinfeld
One by One, Ruth Ware
The Book of Two Ways, Jodi Picoult
The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek, Kim Michele Richardson
The Evening and the Morning, Ken Follett
The Library Book, Susan Orlean
The Mirror and the Light, Hilary Mantel
The Overstory, Richard Powers
The Splendid and the Vile, Erik Larson
The Vanishing Half, Brit Bennett
The Water Dancer, Ta-Nehisi Coates
Troubled Blood, Robert Galbraith