

FAITH IN THE WORD

For the week of The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity
September 22 – September 28, AD 2024

Life is precious to God. In the Fifth Commandment, God forbids us from doing anything to harm our neighbor physically and directs us to help our neighbor support and care for the body God gave him. Today we live in a culture which despises God's good creation and has no problem murdering the pre-born, the aging, and the sick; and has no problem harming children's bodies through chemicals and surgeries to try to make them other than what God has wonderfully made them. Our culture delights in destroying the good things of God. We as God's children are called to be, like our Heavenly Father, lovers of life. We are to protect that life whenever and however we can. We are to give food to the hungry, clothes and maybe even shelter to the homeless, support to mothers who are expecting, comfort and aid to the sick and confused. Such love and care are born of the great love and care which God has lavished upon us, first in creating us and then in redeeming us in both body and soul. And He has done this in His Body, the Body of Jesus. God grant us forgiveness for not always loving and treasuring life as He loves and treasures ours and may He grant us faith and love to help and support our neighbor in every physical need.

The Catechism

As the head of the family should teach it in a simple way to the household. Pray and confess out loud as much from the order of meditation and prayer as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate. Learn by heart the verse, catechism, and hymn of the week.

The Ten Commandments – Fifth Commandment

You shall not murder.

What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not hurt or harm our neighbor in his body, but help and support him in every physical need.

THE ORDER OF MEDITATION AND PRAYER

INVOCATION

In the Name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

Psalm 104:24 – O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

Psalm 84

HYMN OF THE MONTH

"The Law of God Is Good and Wise" (LSB 579)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GbvMPJNfwE>

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

① SUNDAY	LUKE 14:1-11	
② MONDAY	2 SAMUEL 11:26-12:15	TITUS 3:1-15
③ TUESDAY	2 SAMUEL 12:16-25	JAMES 1:1-11
④ WEDNESDAY	2 SAMUEL 15:1-15	JAMES 1:12-27
⑤ THURSDAY	2 SAMUEL 18:1, 5-18, 31-19:6	JAMES 2:1-13
⑥ FRIDAY	1 CHRONICLES 21:1-22:1	JAMES 2:14-26
⑦ SATURDAY	DANIEL 10:10-14; 12:1-3	REVELATION 12:7-12

PRAYERS

COLLECT FOR THE WEEK

Lord, we implore You, grant Your people grace to withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds to follow You, the only God; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

DAILY THEMES FOR PRAYER

SUNDAY: *The joy of the resurrection among us; true and godly worship throughout the world; and for the faithful preaching and hearing of God's Word; for our congregation's faithfulness to the Word of God.*

MONDAY: *Faith to live in the promises of Holy Baptism; our calling and daily work; the unemployed; the salvation and well-being of our neighbors; government; peace; for the leaders of our congregation.*

TUESDAY: *Deliverance against temptation; the addicted and despairing; the tortured and oppressed; for those struggling with besetting sins.*

WEDNESDAY: *For marriage and family, that all may live together under the grace of Christ according to the Word of God; parents who must rear their children alone; for godly schools, our church schools, and seminaries.*

THURSDAY: *For the Church and her pastors; for missionaries; for fruitful and salutary use of the blessed sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood; for our congregation, our pastor and his family.*

FRIDAY: *For the preaching of the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ and for its spread throughout the whole world, especially in our community; and for the persecuted.*

SATURDAY: *For faithfulness to the end; the physically and mentally sick and those who are dying; the revival of those who are withering in the faith or have fallen away; for receptive hearts for worship and study on the Lord's Day.*

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

- For all who serve in public safety as police officers, firefighters, and paramedics, that God would protect them, give them courage in danger and grant them wisdom as they perform their duties, especially Joshan Savage (police officer), Joe Krizan (firefighter and paramedic), Elisabeth Handgraaf, Will McCrillis, Jonah Underwood (paramedics).
- Birthdays celebrated this week – Matheo Dickson (22), Angus Hendon (23), Sienna Reif (23) Katy Gefaller (28).
- Wedding Anniversaries celebrated this week – Gil and Mary Jo Daughtrey (27).
- Matt, Marc, and Michael who are experiencing unemployment.
- Leah Savage and Brianna Mallon for protection of mother and child in pregnancy.
- Dony Reaves, Doug Drawe, Antonia, Margie Best, Chris Purcell, Matt Thibodeaux, Tom Johnson, Jill, Connie Kimber, Deanna, Christina Null, Brandon Rhodes, Tula Sheehan, Kaylee.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

LUTHER'S MORNING OR EVENING PRAYER

LOOKING FORWARD TO NEXT WEEK

The Feast of St. Michael and All Angels – September 29, 2024

Catechism: Ten Commandments – Conclusion

Hymns: 909, 522, 622, 579, 516, 812, 534

Readings: Daniel 10:10-14; 12:1-3; Revelation 12:7-12; Matthew 18:1-11

