

# FAITH IN THE WORD

For the week of The First Sunday after Trinity

June 22 – June 28, AD 2025

**T**he first commandment demands the entire devotion of our heart. It is all about faith. For to have no other God is to trust always and only in the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. It is to hear the Holy Scriptures and submit in humility to every Word of them, crucifying every thought and desire that runs contrary to them for they are the very Word of God. It is to fear the righteous anger of God against sin that destroyed the unbelieving world in the Flood and that threw down fire and brimstone from heaven to destroy wicked Sodom and Gomorrah. It is to trust that God Himself has prepared our salvation from eternal judgment through His Son Jesus Christ who offered Himself to atone for our sin. It is to order ourselves as creatures under the authority of our Creator. It is terrifying to think of how often we have not done this, how often we have loved daily bread, the praise of men, and pleasures of this life more than God and more than His Word. We deserve to be swept away. But the true and only God doesn't desire our destruction. He warns us and calls to repentance so that He may forgive us and rescue from judgment. God grant that we turn in faith to Him with our whole heart, soul, strength, and mind and have no other gods.

## ***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 – The First Commandment and Explanation**

### **You shall have no other gods.**

*What does this mean? We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things.*

## 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

**Matthew 5:10** – *Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

### Psalm 68

### HYMN OF THE MONTH

**"To God the Holy Spirit Let Us Pray" (LSB 768)**

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

① SUNDAY	LUKE 16:19-31	
② MONDAY	LUKE 9:28-36	MICAH 7:2-7
③ TUESDAY	LUKE 1:57-80	ACTS 13:13-26
④ WEDNESDAY	LUKE 9:37-45	MICAH 7:8-9, 16-20
⑤ THURSDAY	LUKE 9:46-56	NAHUM 1:2-7, 15
⑥ FRIDAY	LUKE 9:57-62	ZEPHANIAH 1:7, 14-2:3
⑦ SATURDAY	PROVERBS 9:1-10	1 JOHN 3:13-18

## PRAYERS

### COLLECT FOR THE WEEK

O God, the strength of all who trust in You, mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing, grant us Your grace to keep Your commandments that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, 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 Josh Needman, Joshan Savage (police officers), Joe Krizan (firefighter and paramedic), Elisabeth Handgraaf, Jonah Underwood (paramedics).
- Sarah Wickam, Brad Perry’s sister, who has been diagnosed with breast cancer.
- Birthdays celebrated this week: Theo Gefaller (23), Cooper Thibodeaux (24), Pastor Ulmer (24), Marc Schwiesow (25).
- Baptismal birthdays celebrated this week: Matthew Schwiesow (24), Theo Gefaller (27).
- Those experiencing unemployment: Matt, Michael, Greg.
- Grace Hendrickson, Amanda Needham (Todd Hauth’s sister), Rachel Rojas, and Mariah Scholz for protection of mother and child in pregnancy.
- Dony Reaves, Connie Kimber, Doug Drawe, Antonia, Deanna, Dana Evans, Gaye, Georgette, Jill, Rachel Preuss, Kristina Wishmeyer, Jeannie Long, JE Purcell, Gene Obenhaus, Ron Lane, Maureen Rump, Abbe Fenner, Toni McClure.



## THE LORD’S PRAYER

## LUTHER’S MORNING OR EVENING PRAYER

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## LOOKING FORWARD TO NEXT WEEK

**The Festival of St. Peter and St. Paul – June 29, 2025**

**The Lord’s Prayer – Second Petition and Explanation**

**Hymns:** 906, 647, 644, 627, 645, 587, 483

**Readings:** Acts 15:1-12, Galatians 2:1-10, Matthew 16:13-19

