

FAITH IN THE WORD

Faith Lutheran Church, Wylie Texas - *Many members. One body united in Christ.*

For the week of The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

August 31 – September 6, AD 2025

T rue repentance that is pleasing to God has two parts, no more and no less. The first is that we confess our sins. We acknowledge that we have offended the Divine Majesty by breaking His commandments in thought, word, and deed. You can generally confess as the tax collector did “I am a sinner.” That is true. But it is also true that you don’t generally sin. That is why it is important that we are specific in our examination of our sins, considering our lives in the light of each specific commandment so that we can clearly see what is sin and that which we should strive against. Of course, God knows your sins. You are the one who needs to know them. You need God’s Word to show them to you so that you can’t hide behind excuses and justifications and imagine that you are righteous. But confessing is only the first part. For it to be godly Christian confession, you must also receive in faith God’s forgiveness in Christ. You must believe that for Christ’s sake, God has taken away the guilt of your sin freely, as a gift. You must rely only on Christ’s atoning sacrifice and not doubt that by the word of forgiveness spoken to you through Christ’s Church, your sins truly are forgiven. May God grant that we rightly confess our sins and receive the precious gift of forgiveness.

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.

Catechism: Confession

What is Confession? Confession has two parts.

First, that we confess our sins, and

Second, that we receive absolution, that is forgiveness, from the pastor as from God Himself, not doubting, but firmly believing that by it our sins are forgiven before God in heaven.

What sins should we confess? Before God we should plead guilty of all sins, even those we are not aware of, as we do in the Lord’s Prayer; but before the pastor we should confess only those sins which we know and feel in our hearts.

Which are these? Consider your place in life according to the Ten Commandments: Are you a father, mother, son, daughter, husband, wife, or worker? Have you been disobedient, unfaithful, or lazy? Have you been hot-tempered, rude, or quarrelsome? Have you hurt someone by your words or deeds? Have you stolen, been negligent, wasted anything, or done any harm?

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

Ezekiel 36:28 – *You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.*

Psalm 133

HYMN OF THE MONTH

"All Christians Who Have Been Baptized" (LSB 596)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

① SUNDAY	LUKE 18:9-14	
② MONDAY	MATTHEW 6:24-34	PROVERBS 3:27-35
③ TUESDAY	LUKE 2:(40)41-52	ISAIAH 55:1-11
④ WEDNESDAY	LUKE 10:38-42	DEUTERONOMY 6:4-13
⑤ THURSDAY	2 SAMUEL 15:2-26; 18:31—19:6	ROMANS 13:1-10
⑥ FRIDAY	RUTH 1:1-19; 4:1-22	1 PETER 1:22—2:3
⑦ SATURDAY	ISAIAH 29:17-24	ROMANS 10:9-17

PRAYERS

COLLECT FOR THE WEEK

Almighty and everlasting God, always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than we either desire or deserve, pour down upon us the abundance of Your mercy, forgiving those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things that we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of 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

- Those serving in synodical offices, especially Matthew Harrison, Synodical President; Jon Braunersreuther Newman, Texas District President; Andrew Whaley, Circuit Visitor, and Ben Gonzales, Mission Strategist. Those serving as elected leaders at Faith Wylie: Gil Daughtrey, Michael Null, Matt Dickson, Ken Lawrence, James Long, Tim Sheehan, Brad Lowery, James Rose, Gil Daughtrey.
- Birthdays celebrated this week: Phyllis Martin (4), Alissa Ulmer (5).
- Baptismal birthdays celebrated this week: Connie Kimber (2).
- Wedding anniversaries celebrated this week: Geoff and Kristin Hackbart (4).
- Those experiencing unemployment: Greg.
- Grace Hendrickson, Sara Froiland, Amanda Needham, and Avery Redfearn for protection of mother and child in pregnancy.
- Dony Reaves, Connie Kimber, Doug Drawe, Antonia, Dana Evans, Gaye, Jill, Rachel Preuss, Kristina Wishmeyer, Jeannie Long, JE Purcell, Ron and Gene Lane, Richard and Maureen Rump, Sarah Wickam, Judy Michels, Randy Cooper, Lesley Fox, Sam Sims, David Ricks, Leigh R., Gil Daughtrey, Joan, Kaye.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

LUTHER'S MORNING OR EVENING PRAYER

LOOKING FORWARD TO NEXT WEEK

The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity – September 7, 2025

Apostles' Creed – 3rd Article and Explanation

Hymns: 849, 545, 571, 623, 596, 865, 917

Readings: Isaiah 29:17-24, 2 Corinthians 3:4-11, Mark 7:31-37

