

FAITH IN THE WORD

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

For the week of The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

October 4 – October 11, AD 2025

In the First Commandment, the Lord God puts first things first. Before there can be any good works, there must be good faith. And good faith is not something we do. Good faith is a gift that is given to us by God the Holy Spirit through the preaching of God's Word. Through the preaching of His holy Law, God shows us the great depth of our sin and leaves us in terror of His temporal and eternal judgment. Only when we have been brought to this fear of God's wrath are we prepared to hear the glorious news that God's wrath has been taken away from us by the Blood of His Son, Jesus Christ, who offered Himself as the payment for our sin. He has set us free! He has raised us from the death of sin and given us new life, true life, His life. There can be no greater joy than that! And there is nothing in heaven or on earth that could offer such an everlasting gift. This good news is what creates faith in us poor sinners and draws us to love and trust in this God who didn't even spare His own Son but offered Him up for us all simply for the joy of having us with Him for all of eternity. It is this freedom and joy that then leads us to love and strive to keep the other nine commandments. To our New Adam, born in Holy Baptism, the Ten Commandments are a joy, not a burden. They are freedom, not slavery. May God forgive us for having any other god besides Him who has loved us and stir up in us a true and living faith which loves Him and loves to serve our neighbor.

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

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

Psalm 46:1 – God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble..

Psalm 54

HYMN OF THE MONTH

“Lord of Our Life” (LSB 659)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

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| ① SUNDAY | LUKE 7:11-17 | |
| ② MONDAY | ACTS 17:22-34 | PROVERBS 4:10-19 |
| ③ TUESDAY | GENESIS 1:1-19 | JOHN 1:1-13 |
| ④ WEDNESDAY | GENESIS 1:20-31 | JOHN 1:14-18 |
| ⑤ THURSDAY | GENESIS 2:1-7 | JOHN 1:19-28 |
| ⑥ FRIDAY | GENESIS 2:8-25 | JOHN 1:29-34 |
| ⑦ SATURDAY | PROVERBS 25:6-14 | EPHESIANS 4:1-6 |

PRAYERS

COLLECT FOR THE WEEK

O Lord, we pray that Your grace may always go before and follow after us, that we may continually be given to all good works; 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

- All those serving as missionaries around the world, especially Pastor Wildauer and Pastor Steele and their families.
- Birthdays celebrated this week: Hannah Dysart (6), Sasha Starr (10), Patti Ellis (8).
- Baptisms celebrated this week: Noelle Wueller (9), Sienna Reif (10).
- Wedding anniversaries this week: Todd and Robin Hauth (7).
- Jeannie Long, in thanksgiving for a return to better health.
- James Long's brother, Nathan Pugh, who suffered a serious fall, in thanksgiving for healing and recovery.
- Leah Savage who will be undergoing a surgical procedure this week.
- Those experiencing unemployment: Greg Sims, Andrew Fischer.
- Grace Hendrickson, Sara Froiland, and Avery Redfearn for protection of mother and child in pregnancy.
- Doug Drawe, Antonia, Dana Evans, Jill, Rachel Preuss, Kristina Wishmeyer, JE Purcell, Ron and Gene Lane, Sarah Wickam, Randy Cooper, Lesley Fox, Sam Sims, Leigh R., Mark, Kyle, Mickey Hendon.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

LUTHER'S MORNING OR EVENING PRAYER

LOOKING FORWARD TO NEXT WEEK

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity – October 12, 2025

Catechesis: The Creed: First Article

Hymns: 904, 557, 623, 644, 659, 610, 768

Readings: Proverbs 25:6-14, Ephesians 4:1-6, Luke 14:1-11

