

FAITH IN THE WORD

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

For the week of The Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord

April 5 – April 11 AD 2026

What joy is ours to confess, “I believe in Jesus Christ, [the Father’s] only Son, our Lord who ...suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead.”

In those words we confess that God has suffered our death and swallowed up all its powers. Jesus is not dead. He is risen! Let the world scoff. One day with great shame and terror they will see with their eyes the glorious truth which you and I know by faith to be true. By His death, Jesus actually sanctified death so that even it must serve His good and gracious purposes. When you think about your own death, as one who has been buried with Christ in baptism and raised with Him to newness of life, you have nothing to fear about it. It is as harmless as your bed in which you lie down to sleep each night. Rather than separating you from God, death is now the normal means through which God delivers you from this valley of sorrows and brings you to the eternal joy and rest of paradise. “O death, where is your sting? O death, where is your victory?” They are gone. The victory belongs to life, to Him who is Life and Light and Truth. The victory belongs to Jesus and He shares His victory and its spoils with you. Rejoice, dear child of God! Jesus has forced your death into submission under His pierced feet. By faith in Him, you never have to taste the bitter fear of death. Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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 month.

The Creed – The Second Article: Redemption

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

What does this mean? I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in

His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.

This is most certainly true.

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

MEMORY VERSE

Psalm 26:8 – Oh Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

PSALM OF THE MONTH

Psalm 33

HYMN OF THE MONTH

“Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain” (LSB 487)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

① SUNDAY	MARK 16:1-8	COLOSSIANS 3:1-4
② MONDAY	LUKE 24:13-35	1 CORINTHIANS 5:6b-8
③ TUESDAY	LUKE 24:36-49	ACTS 13:26-33
④ WEDNESDAY	JOHN 21:1-14	ACTS 3:13-15, 17-19
⑤ THURSDAY	JOHN 21:15-25	COLOSSIANS 3:1-7
⑥ FRIDAY	EXODUS 15:1-18	1 CORINTHIANS 15:12-25
⑦ SATURDAY	ACTS 5:29-42	1 PETER 1:3-9

PRAYERS

COLLECT FOR THE WEEK

Almighty God the Father, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; 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

- All those serving as missionaries around the world, especially Pastor Wildauer and Pastor Steele and their families.
- Baptismal birthdays celebrated this week: Brandon Lowery (6), Lydia Mallon (6), Cheryl Wildauer (6), Lucy Schwiesow (7).
- Birthdays celebrated this week: Donovan Kieser (7), Amy Dorrell (8).
- Emma Cassanova, Erica Ficken, Leah Savage for protection of mother and child in pregnancy.
- Stephen Kieser family as they mourn Stephen's grandmother, Maureen Rump, who fell asleep in Christ this past week.
- Randy Cooper, neighbor of the Rose family, suffering with lung complications from ongoing cancer treatments.
- Lindsay Penrose, who has a possibly torn ligament even as she deals with other ongoing health issues.
- Those undergoing cancer treatments: Doug Drawe, Dana Evans, Robin Wildauer, Leigh R., Cristine Purcell, Kyle, Bonnie Hennig, Sandra Zastrow.
- Those struggling with ongoing health issues: JE Purcell, Kristina Wishmeyer, Edith Wright, Dony Reaves, Rush, Ruth Pritchett, Galen Dino.
- Those experiencing other challenges: Greg Sims, Andrew Fischer.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

LUTHER'S MORNING OR EVENING PRAYER

LOOKING FORWARD TO NEXT WEEK

Quasidmodo Geniti

Catechesis: Table of Duties: To Workers of All Kinds, To Employers and Supervisors

Hymns: 490, 470, 487, 467, 614, Pg 155, 482

Readings: Ezekiel 37:1-14; John 5:4-10; John 20:19-31

