

FAITH IN THE WORD

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

For the week of The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

July 12 – July 18 AD 2026

Every good that we have comes to us as a gift from God our Heavenly Father. We have earned none of it and we are to be thankful for all of it, even those things that have been withheld from us. But sin has brought forth greed in our hearts and discontent with what God has given. We see what our Father has given others and we imagine ways that we could take it from them. It doesn't matter how small it is or if no one ever notices, stealing our neighbor's belongings is sin. It denies that God has been good to us and takes from our neighbor the good God has bestowed upon him. Whether we are stealing a piece of gum, not offering honest work for our wages, or refusing to help our neighbor protect and improve what has been given to him, all of these anger God and invite Him to treat us as we treat our neighbor. It is important that we daily take stock of the abundant blessings that God has poured out to us in both body and soul and give Him the highest praise. We know that we deserve nothing from Him and that every day He gives us our daily bread just as He has promised in His Word. And because of His perfect love and wisdom, we can be just as sure that if He withholds something from us, that is just as good. May Christ forgive us for seeking in any way to take what belongs to our neighbor, either goods or help, and may He grant us thankful and joyful hearts so that we rejoice with our neighbor in his good and seek to improve and protect it. God grant it for Jesus' sake.

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 Ten Commandments: The Seventh Commandment

You shall not steal.

What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not take our neighbor's money or possessions, or get them in any dishonest way, but help him to improve and protect his possessions and income.

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

Matthew 5:17 – *[Jesus said] “Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them.”*

PSALM OF THE MONTH

Psalm 119:97-104

HYMN OF THE MONTH

“These Are the Holy Ten Commands” (LSB 581)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

① SUNDAY	MATTHEW 5:17-26	EXODUS 20:1-17
② MONDAY	MATTHEW 13:10-23	ISAIAH 33:17-24
③ TUESDAY	MATTHEW 13:24-35	ISAIAH 34:1-4, 8
④ WEDNESDAY	MATTHEW 13:36-46	ISAIAH 35:1-10
⑤ THURSDAY	MATTHEW 13:47-58	ISAIAH 36:1-2, 13-22
⑥ FRIDAY	MATTHEW 14:1-13	ISAIAH 37:1-20
⑦ SATURDAY	MARK 8:1-9	GENESIS 2:7-17

PRAYERS

COLLECT FOR THE WEEK

Lord of all power and might, author and giver of all good things, graft into our hearts the love of Your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of Your great mercy keep us in the same; 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

- Those members and friends of our congregation who are serving in the military (and their families): Emma and Macarios Casanova (Army), Brandon Lowery (Navy), Ethan McCrillis (Marines), Isaiah Miller (Air Force), Ethan Sims (Air Force Reserves), Tristana Tiro (West Point Military Academy).
- Baptismal birthdays celebrated this week: Pastor Ulmer (16).
- All those preparing for the upcoming Synodical Convention that they would be granted safe travel and faithfulness in their service to Christ's people.
- Emma Cassanova, Ellie Pollux, and Leah Savage for protection of mother and child in pregnancy.
- Randy Cooper, as he anticipates critical testing that will determine ongoing treatment.
- Adeline and John Ulmer who are both undergoing surgical procedures this week.
- Thanksgiving for Ruth Pritchett, who is now stabilized and no longer in serious condition.
- Those undergoing cancer treatments: Doug Drawe, Dana Evans, Robin Wildauer, Leigh R., Bonnie Hennig, Sandra Zastrow, Kyle, Clancy Meyers.
- Those struggling with ongoing health issues: JE Purcell, Kristina Wishmeyer, Edith Wright, Dony Reaves, Lindsay Penrose, Stephanie, Katrina, Tibor Kun, Clancy Meyers, Diego Martinez, Joseph Horte, Will.
- Those experiencing other types of challenges: Greg Sims, Andrew Fischer, Marc Schwiesow.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

LUTHER'S MORNING OR EVENING PRAYER

LOOKING FORWARD TO NEXT WEEK

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity, July 19, 2026

Catechesis: The Eighth Commandment

Hymns: 497, 819, 618, 730, 581, 908, 509, 923

Readings: Genesis 2:7-17; Romans 6:19-23; Mark 8:1-9

