

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 16 – August 22 AD 2026

In the First Article of the Apostles' Creed, we are given to confess our trust in the First Person of the Holy Trinity - God the Father Almighty. He is the Author and Source of all things. James, the brother of our Lord, writes "Every good and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change." (James 1:17) It is truly humbling and awe-inspiring to consider that everything we see and know, everything visible and invisible, even our own body and soul, all of it was created and ordered by the merciful hand of the God Almighty. And not only do we know that all of creation was begun by the God Almighty, but He continues to provide for and protect all of His creation - from the farthest star to the individual cells in our bodies! What's more, this all-powerful God, who holds all things in His hands, is our Father. He is not just some all-powerful deity. He is our dear Father which makes us His dear and beloved children. That is how He deals with us. He is no tyrant. He doesn't do things just because He can. Nothing is just a toy to Him that He uses for His amusement. He loves His creation. He loves you. He knows every one of your needs and will provide for them. He made you exactly who you are, strengths and weaknesses, because that is good and pleasing in His sight and for His good and gracious purposes which includes your temporal and eternal good. Set aside your anxiousness and worrying. Rejoice! God Almighty, your Father, loves you and will bless you, sustain you, and protect you purely out of Fatherly, divine goodness, without any merit or worthiness on your part. 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 Creed: The First Article of the Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

What does this mean? I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him.

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

Romans 10:9 – If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

PSALM OF THE MONTH

Psalms 28

HYMN OF THE MONTH

“Our Father, Who From Heaven Above” (LSB 766)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

① SUNDAY	1 COR. 9:1-23	2 SAMUEL 6:1-19
② MONDAY	1 COR. 9:24—10:22	2 SAMUEL 7:1-17
③ TUESDAY	1 COR. 10:23—11:16	2 SAMUEL 7:18-29
④ WEDNESDAY	1 COR. 11:17-34	2 SAMUEL 11:1-27
⑤ THURSDAY	1 COR. 12:1-13	2 SAMUEL 12:1-25
⑥ FRIDAY	1 COR. 12:14-31	1 KINGS 1:1-4, 15-35
⑦ SATURDAY	1 COR. 13:1-13	1 KINGS 2:1-27

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 who are homebound: Judy Michels, Melanie Obenhaus, Vicky Cantrell, Dony Reaves, Connie Kimber, Pete Kun.
- We pray that our Heavenly Father would grant joy and faithfulness to the young adults of our congregation, blessing them as they begin families, continue their studies, and enter the workforce.
- Birthdays celebrated this week: Angela Perry (18), Mike Wright (20).
- Baptism birthdays celebrated this week: Terry Wildenborg (16), William Wueller (18).
- Thanksgiving for the many blessings of God our Father poured out upon our congregation since its establishment in 2002 and its chartering in 2020.
- Emma Cassanova, Ellie Pollex, and Leah Savage for protection of mother and child in pregnancy.
- Those undergoing cancer treatments: Dana Evans, Robin Wildauer, Leigh R., Sandra Zastrow, Kyle, Randy Cooper.
- Those struggling with ongoing health issues: JE Purcell, Dony Reaves, Stephanie, Tibor Kun, Diego Martinez, Joseph Horte, Will, Lance, Suzie, Mary, Addelyn, Braydon, Julie, Dakota, Mike Wright, Bonnie, Allan.
- 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 Twelfth Sunday after Trinity, August 23, 2026

Catechesis: The Second Article of the Apostles' Creed

Hymns: 849, 545, 620, 766, 596, 865, 917

Readings: Isaiah 29:17-24; 1 Corinthians 3:4-11, Mark 7:31-37

