

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

September 20 – September 26 AD 2026

What do you think of as you ask your Father who art in heaven that He would cause His kingdom to come into your midst? Our flesh hears the word “kingdom” and immediately thinks of crowns and conquering armies. But these are not things that impress God, nor are they things of His kingdom. He has legions of angels. He possesses all power and authority in heaven and on earth. And He is exercising that power at all times ruling and holding together all of creation. The kingdom that we need to come is the kingdom of His mercy by which we are rescued from the threatening perils of our sins. We are praying that God would send us His Holy Spirit to create, sustain, and strengthen our faith in Christ so that when this world and all things pass away, we might have a share in the blessings of the new heaven and the new earth which is being prepared for the redeemed of God. Thus, we are praying that God would protect and bless the preaching of His Word by which alone God keeps us in the true faith. We pray in the second petition of the Lord’s Prayer that God would give us faithful parents, pastors, and teachers who will teach us God’s Word. We are praying that God would guard our hearts and minds in the hour of temptation so that we are not led astray to throw away our salvation in order to chase after the wicked and deceitful desires of the flesh. We pray that God would preserve the faithful administration of Holy Baptism whereby God raises sinners to new life and Holy Communion whereby He feeds us the true Body and Blood of our Savior for the forgiveness of all our sins. May God have mercy upon us for desiring this kingdom purchased with the Blood of Jesus and grant that instead we eagerly desire this kingdom and sacrifice all that we have in order that this kingdom would remain in our midst and not be taken from us.

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 Lord’s Prayer: The Second Petition

Thy kingdom come.

What does this mean? The kingdom of God certainly comes by itself without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may come to us also.

How does God’s kingdom come? God’s kingdom comes when our heavenly Father gives us His Holy Spirit, so that by His grace we believe His holy Word and lead godly lives here in time and there in eternity.

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

Malachi 3:1 – “Behold, I send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me. And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to His temple.”

PSALM OF THE MONTH

Psalms 8

HYMN OF THE MONTH

“We All Believe in One True God” (LSB 954)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY		
① SEP 20	NEH. 4:7-23	1 TIM. 3:1-16
② SEP 21	NEH. 5:1-16; 6:1-9, 15-16	1 TIM. 4:1-16
③ SEP 22	NEH. 7:1-4; 8:1-18	1 TIM. 5:1-16
④ SEP 23	NEH. 9:1-21	1 TIM. 5:17—6:2
⑤ SEP 24	NEH. 9:22-38	1 TIM. 6:3-21
⑥ SEP 25	MAL. 1:1-14	MATT. 3:1-17
⑦ SEP 26	MAL. 2:1—3:5	MATT. 4:1-11

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

- 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: Mitchell Hendon (20), Charley Wildauer (21), Angus Hendon (23), Sienna Reif (23).
- Morgan Blue, Brianna Mallon, Ellie Pollex, Leah Savage, Sam Sims, Jenna Swissler (Terri Wildenborg's daughter) for protection of mother and child in pregnancy.
- We rejoice that Cara Lou Casanova (great niece of Pastor and Alissa Ulmer) was safely delivered this past week. May our Lord graciously grant that Cara may be brought to the waters of Holy Baptism.
- Pete Kun, who is recovering at home after a fall this past week.
- Matt Ricks (David Ricks' son) as he begins a new job.
- Those who are undergoing cancer treatments: Dana Evans, Robin Wildauer, Leigh R., Sandra Zastrow, Kyle, Randy Cooper.
- Those struggling with ongoing health issues: JE Purcell, Dony Reaves, Tibor Kun, Diego Martinez, Joseph Horte, Mary, Julie, Dakota, Mike Wright, Allan, Pete Kun, Roy Rogers, William Kieser, Todd and Robin Hauth, James and Carol Long, Sandra Traugott.
- Those experiencing other types of challenges: Greg Sims, Andrew Fischer, Marc Schwiesow, Kevin.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

LUTHER'S MORNING OR EVENING PRAYER

LOOKING FORWARD TO NEXT WEEK

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity, September 27, 2026

Catechesis: The Lord's Prayer: The Third Petition

Hymns: 902, 557, 954, 637, 440, 632, 577

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

