

FAITH IN THE WORD

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

For the week of The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

October 4 – October 10 AD 2026

Why do we only pray for daily bread? Why not ask for weekly or monthly bread? Because, as Jesus says, "tomorrow will be anxious for itself." (Matthew 6:34) Jesus knows the constant temptation that faces us to worry out into the future. That temptation leads us into doing whatever we can to try to hedge against a future suffering that we know nothing about. Such worrying can lead to greed and anger. Ultimately, it can lead us to unbelief. As you recite Luther's explanation to the Fourth Petition, be mindful of the fact that you aren't even fully aware of what you need this day, let alone days into the future. It would be impossible for us to list every single thing that we need this day and that even assumes that what we think we need is actually the best or even the good thing. By this petition, our heavenly Father is teaching us to recognize the vastness of all that He is working on our behalf every single moment of every single day. But He isn't just doing that for one person. He is doing it for every single person, whether they acknowledge Him as God or not. In His love and mercy He causes the rain to fall on the righteous and unrighteous alike. So let us not even try to imagine what is needed for the future. Let us repent of our doubt that God knows and will give us exactly what is needed when the time arrives and instead, let us be content to ask Him for what is needed today. That is enough. He is enough. And He has promised to care for you. 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 Lord's Prayer: The Fourth Petition

Give us this day our daily bread.

What does this mean? God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.

What is meant by daily bread? Daily bread includes everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, home, land, animals, money, goods, a devout husband or wife, devout children, devout workers, devout and faithful rulers, good government, good weather, peace, health, self-control, good reputation, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.

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

John 3:16 – For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

PSALM OF THE MONTH

Psalm 66

HYMN OF THE MONTH

“To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord” (LSB 406)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

① OCT 4	DEUT 4:21-40	MATT. 8:1-17
② OCT 5	DEUT. 5:1-21	MATT. 8:18-34
③ OCT 6	DEUT. 5:22—6:9	MATT. 9:1-17
④ OCT 7	DEUT. 6:10-25	MATT. 9:18-38
⑤ OCT 8	DEUT. 7:1-19	MATT. 10:1-23
⑥ OCT 9	DEUT. 8:1-20	MATT. 10:24-42
⑦ OCT 10	DEUT. 9:1-22	MATT. 11:1-19

PRAYERS

COLLECT FOR THE WEEK

O God, because without You we are not able to please You, mercifully grant that Your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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, Pastor Steele, Pastor Amen and their families.
- Birthdays celebrated this week: Judy Michels (4), Hannah Dysart (6), Sasha Mallon (7), Patti Ellis (8).
- Baptismal birthdays celebrated this week: Noelle Wueller (9).
- Wedding anniversaries celebrated this week: Todd and Robin Hauth (7).
- Thanksgiving that Julie (Todd Hauth's sister) is managing her sight loss with strength and grace and is obtaining help and support through various resources.
- Thanksgiving that Sandra Zastrow (Robin Hauth's co-worker) who has been declared cancer free following a particularly grueling treatment regime.
- Morgan Blue, Brianna Mallon, Ellie Pollex, Sam Sims, Jenna Swissler for protection of mother and child in pregnancy.
- Those who are undergoing cancer treatments: Dana Evans, Robin Wildauer, Leigh R., Sandra Zastrow, Kyle, Randy Cooper, Connie Dammann.
- Those struggling with ongoing health issues: JE Purcell, Dony Reaves, Tibor Kun, Diego Martinez, Joseph Horte, Mary, Dakota, Mike Wright, Allan, Pete Kun, Roy Rogers, William Kieser, Robin Hauth, Mercy Moranes.
- 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 Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity, October 11, 2026

Catechesis: The Lord's Prayer: The Fifth Petition

Hymns: 909, 708, 406, 623, 814, 740, 924

Readings: Genesis 28:10-17; Ephesians 4:22-28; Matthew 9:1-8

