FAITH IN THE WORD

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

For the week of The Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity
November 8 – November 14 AD 2026

In Matthew 28, as our Lord prepares to ascend to the right hand of the Father where He will take His seat as the ruler of all things in heaven and on earth, and continue to work through the apostles, through His Church, to proclaim and distribute the salvation of His cross to the whole word, Jesus commands His disciples to "make disciples of all nations." And the plan is simple - disciples will be made of all nations through baptism and catechesis. That's the same for everyone. Every disciple is made the same way - by being baptized into Christ and being taught all that Christ has done and said. There is only one way disciples are made because there is only one Lord who has died for all, there is only one faith which confesses this one Lord, and there is only one baptism for the remission of sins. No one receives a special baptism which elevates them above other Christians. There isn't one baptism of water and another of the Holy Spirit. There is one baptism in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit through which God the Father forgives all our sins, claims us as His own dear children, bestows upon us the Holy Spirit, and opens to us the gates of heaven. Whoever receives this baptism and trusts in the promises God makes in it is a Christian and a disciple because the Lord Jesus has made him one. May our Lord forgive us for failing to trust in the sufficiency of our baptism and instead, may it be to us an eternal fountain of strength and joy.

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 Sacrament of Baptism - First

What is Baptism?
Baptism is not just plain water, but it is the water included in God's command and combined with God's word.

Which is that word of God?
Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew: "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." (Matt. 28:19)

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
1 Peter 5:8 – *Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.*

PSALM OF THE MONTH
Psalm 24

HYMN OF THE MONTH
"From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee" (LSB 607)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

① NOV 8	JER. 20:1-18	MATT. 24:29-51
② NOV 9	JER. 22:1-23	MATT. 25:1-13
③ NOV 10	JER. 23:1-20	MATT. 25:14-30
④ NOV 11	JER. 23:21-40	MATT. 25:31-46
⑤ NOV 12	JER. 25:1-18	MATT. 26:1-19
⑥ NOV 13	JER. 26:1-19	MATT. 26:20-35
⑦ NOV 14	JER. 29:1-19	MATT. 26:36-56

PRAYERS

COLLECT FOR THE WEEK

O Lord, absolve Your people from their offenses that from the bonds of our sins, which by reason of our frailty we have brought upon ourselves, we may be delivered by Your bountiful goodness; 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).
- Godspeed and the Lord's protection as Rev. Micah and Robin Wildauer and their children -Sam, Liza, David, and Lydia - return home to Belize in the coming week after spending a year in the U.S. while Robin received treatment for cancer. Continued blessings for Robin as she maintains treatment in Belize.
- Tom and Kathy Bartel as they are received into membership this morning.
- Baptismal birthdays celebrated this week: Max Kieser (10), Angela Perry (10), Ellen Horn (11), Xaiden Slade (14).
- Morgan Blue, Brianna Mallon, Sam Sims, Jenna Swissler for protection of mother and child in pregnancy.
- Thanksgiving for recovery granted to Jenna Warren (Cristine Purcell's grandniece) following a recent car accident.
- Thanksgiving for a successful dental procedure granted to Lucy Schwiesow.
- Thanksgiving for ongoing recovery granted to Diego Martinez and Joseph Horte (relatives of James Long).
- Mark Traugott in thanksgiving for improvement with knee pain and mobility.
- Those who are undergoing cancer treatments: Dana Evans, Robin Wildauer, Leigh R., Kyle, Randy Cooper, Connie Dammann.
- Those struggling with ongoing health issues: JE Purcell, Dony Reaves, Tibor Kun, Mary, Pete Kun, Roy Rogers, Mercy Moranes, William Kieser, Braydon, Chloe Hackbart.
- Those experiencing other types of challenges: Andrew Fischer, Marc Schwiesow, Kevin Ramsey, John Pearson (Cora Pearson's father).

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

LUTHER'S MORNING OR EVENING PRAYER



LOOKING FORWARD TO NEXT WEEK

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Trinity November 15, 2026
Catechesis: The Sacrament of Baptism – Second Part
Hymns: 849, 755, 607, 633, 625, 679, 924
Readings: Isaiah 51:9-16; Colossians 1:9-14; Matthew 9:18-26