



## A Guide for your Christian Life between Sundays

*The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost  
June 27 through July 3, 2021*

The voices of this world constantly assail us. They speak to us, forming in us envy, jealousy, dissatisfaction, desire. And when we cannot fulfill these vices, the voices of the world turn against us, accusing us. In this Sunday's Gospel, Christ comes, and dispels the crowd. He casts them out of the house of Jairus, so that He can bring life to a dead girl. So too does Our Lord silence these demonic voices which attack us, so that only his life-giving Word might be heard in our hearts, and by that Word, we may be made whole.

### **AN ORDER FOR DAILY MEDITATION AND PRAYER**

*Read the Scriptures appointed for the day, review the readings from Sunday, and learn by heart the appointed verse and portion of the Small Catechism. Conclude with the Psalms, the Collect, and the prayers, using the guidelines as you see appropriate.*

## DAILY READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, June 27	Psalm 51:1-9	Joshua 2:1-24	Acts 8:26-40
Monday, June 28	Psalm 89:24-29	Joshua 3:1-17	Acts 9:1-22
Tuesday, June 29	Psalm 103:1-12	Joshua 4:1-24	Acts 9:23-43
Wednesday, June 30	Psalm 114	Joshua 5:1—6:5	Acts 10:1-17
Thursday, July 1	Psalm 47:1-7	Joshua 6:6-27	Acts 10:18-33
Friday, July 2	Psalm 51:1-9	Joshua 7:1-26	Acts 10:34-48
Saturday, July 3	Psalm 84:5-8	Joshua 8:1-28	Acts 11:1-18

### A LOOK BACK TO THE LITURGY – JUNE 27, 2021

**Theme:** Christ silences the voices of the world, that He might speak the Word of His life into us.

**Hymn:** 846, “Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old”

#### Summary of Readings:

**Lamentation 3:22–33:** The prophet encourages us to never cease hoping in the Lord, even in the midst of our most abject misery and poverty.

**2 Corinthians 8:1–9, 13-15:** St. Paul praises the charity of the Church in Macedonia, and encourages the Church in Corinth to emulate their generosity in their abundance, that the poverty of others might be alleviated during the persecution.

**Mark 5:21–43:** The Lord Christ heals the woman with a flow of blood, and then raises Jairus’ daughter, having cleared the house of the mocking crowd.

#### MEMORY VERSE TO LEARN BY HEART:

**Psalm 73:26:** “My flesh and my heart fail; but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.”

## **THE CATECHISM: BAPTISM (PART III.II)**

*(Important! If you have memorized a different translation in confirmation, it is best to pull out your old catechism and refresh your memory from those texts.)*

**Titus 3:5-8:** “He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. This is a trustworthy saying.”

## **PSALM OF THE WEEK: PSALM 30 (ESV)**

*Meditate on this Psalm every day when you pray, and use it as the starting place for your own prayer:*

<sup>1</sup>I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up and have not let my foes rejoice over me. <sup>2</sup>O LORD my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me. <sup>3</sup>O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol; you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit. <sup>4</sup>Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name. <sup>5</sup>For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning. <sup>6</sup>As for me, I said in my prosperity, “I shall never be moved.” <sup>7</sup>By your favor, O LORD, you made my mountain stand strong; you hid your face; I was dismayed. <sup>8</sup>To you, O LORD, I cry, and to the Lord I plead for mercy: <sup>9</sup>“What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness? <sup>10</sup>Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me! O LORD, be my helper!” <sup>11</sup>You have turned for me my mourning into dancing; you have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness, <sup>12</sup>that my glory may sing your praise and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever!

## **LUTHER’S PRAYER ON PSALM 30<sup>1</sup>:**

Thanks to You, our Father in heaven, for the countless blessings You have bestowed on us from our childhood days. Thanks to You because You so often have been our Helper in spiritual and bodily need. As in the past, be with us in the future to give us a joyous heart, to uphold us in trials, to strengthen us in temptations, and to comfort us by Your Holy Spirit through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

## **COLLECT FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:**

Heavenly Father, during His earthly ministry Your Son Jesus healed the sick and raised the dead. By the healing medicine of the Word and Sacraments pour into our hearts such love toward You that we may live eternally; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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<sup>1</sup> Reading the Psalms with Luther, CPH, 2007

## **DAILY THEMES FOR PRAYER** – (From LSB page 294)

Sunday: Pray for the joy of the resurrection among us; for the fruit of faith nourished by the Word and Sacraments.

Monday: Pray for faith to live in the promises of Holy Baptism; for one's calling and daily work; for the unemployed; for the salvation and well-being of our neighbors; for schools, colleges, and seminaries; for good government and for peace.

Tuesday: Pray for deliverance against temptation and evil; for the addicted and despairing, the tortured and oppressed; for those struggling with besetting sins.

Wednesday: Pray for marriage and family, that husbands and wives, parents and children live in ordered harmony according to the Word of God; for parents who must raise children alone; for our communities and neighborhoods.

Thursday: Pray for the Church and her pastors; for teachers, deacons, deaconesses, and other church workers; for missionaries and for all who serve the Church; for fruitful and salutary use of the blessed sacrament of Christ's body and blood.

Friday: Pray for the preaching of the holy cross of our Lord Jesus Christ and for the spread of His knowledge throughout the whole world; for the persecuted and oppressed; for the sick and dying.

Saturday: Pray for faithfulness to the end; for the renewal of those who are withering in the faith or have fallen away; for receptive hearts and minds to God's Word on the Lord's Day; for pastors and people as they prepare to administer and receive Christ's holy gifts.

## **IN OUR PRAYERS AT CHRIST:**

Prayer Family: *Barbara Glenn* and her loved ones

*Family of David Cook*, cousin of Chuck Haynes, who has entered eternal rest

*Pippa Marie Lorence*, the Pedersens' granddaughter, who is experiencing ear aches

*Jack Marley*, Jenny Merry's uncle, who is on his deathbed

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

### **LUTHER'S MORNING OR EVENING PRAYER**

#### **Luther's Morning Prayer:**

I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.