



A Guide for your Christian Life between Sundays

*The Feast of the Holy Trinity
June 12 through June 18, 2022*

On this Feast of the Holy Trinity, we meditate upon the meaning of God's inner being, of who God is, and of what He has done for His people. However, this feast was not instituted merely to focus us on an abstract doctrine, but to celebrate God's providential guidance of His Church throughout all time and into eternity, whereby He has preserved His people from every power of the world, and every heresy from within.

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 12	Psalm 46:1-7	Num. 35:9-30	Luke 24:28-53
Monday, June 13	Psalm 68:32-35	Proverbs 13:1-25	John 14:18-31
Tuesday, June 14	Psalm 66:1-8	Proverbs 14:1-27	John 15:1-11
Wednesday, June 15	Psalm 51:1-12	Proverbs 15:1-29	John 15:12-27
Thursday, June 16	Psalm 147:1-11	Proverbs 16:1-24	John 16:1-16
Friday, June 17	Psalm 107:1-9	Proverbs 17:1-28	John 16:17-33
Saturday, June 18	Psalm 86:9-17	Proverbs 20:5-25	John 17:1-26

A LOOK BACK TO THE LITURGY – JUNE 12, 2022

Theme: The true God guides and delivers His people through every age, even in these latter days.

Hymn: 954, “We All Believe in One True God”

Summary of Readings:

Proverbs 8:1–4, 22–31: Lady Wisdom, often identified with the Son, calls out to humanity to hear her, and be guided by her ways.

Acts 2:14, 22–36: St. Peter preaches the Gospel of Christ to the men of Judea in the Holy City: Christ, who was crucified, now lives forevermore at the right hand of God the Father; and in ascending into heaven, He has undone the curse of death for all who will believe.

John 8:48–59: Christ, speaking to the Jews, confesses that all He does, He does of His Father’s will, and He does so because He is one with His Father.

MEMORY VERSE TO LEARN BY HEART:

Hebrews 13:8: “Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday, today, and forever.”

THE CATECHISM: THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR IV

(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.)

How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things? Certainly not just eating and drinking do these things, but the words written here: “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.” These words, along with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main thing in the Sacrament. Whoever believes these words has exactly what they say: forgiveness of sins.

PSALM OF THE WEEK: PSALM 8 (ESV)

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

¹O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens.

²Out of the mouth of babes and infants, you have established strength because of your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger.

³When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

⁴what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him?

⁵Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor.

⁶You have given him dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under his feet,

⁷all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field,

⁸the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

⁹O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

LUTHER’S PRAYER ON PSALM 8¹:

Lord Jesus, You were delivered for our offenses and raised again for our justification. Bless and defend Your Holy Church. Endue Your Word with power, strengthen our faith, and after the sufferings of this life grant us to celebrate a happy Easter, rising again to live and reign with You in all eternity. Amen.

COLLECT FOR THE FEAST OF HOLY TRINITY:

Almighty and everlasting God, You have given us grace to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity by the confession of a true faith and to worship the Unity in the power of the Divine Majesty. Keep us steadfast in this faith and defend us from all adversities; for You, O Father, Son and Holy Spirit, live and reign, one God, now and forever. Amen.

¹ 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: *The Burkhalter Family* and their loved ones

Michelle Burnett, friend of the Springers, who is undergoing chemo treatment for cancer

Krista Hansford & William, who are recovering from coronavirus

Those outside the Church or who have wandered from it

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.