

SECOND WEEK OF EASTER – SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2020

Grant, almighty God, that we who have celebrated the mystery of the Lord's resurrection may by the help of your grace bring forth the fruits thereof in our life and conduct; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

SUNDAY

Morning Psalter – 146, 147
Exodus 14:5-22
1 John 1:1-7
John 14:1-7
Evening Psalter – 111, 112, 113

MONDAY

Morning Psalter – 1, 2, 3
Exodus 14:21-31
1 Peter 1:1-12
John 14:8-17
Evening Psalter – 4, 7

TUESDAY

Morning Psalter – 5, 6
Exodus 15:1-21
1 Peter 1:13-25
John 14:18-31
Evening Psalter – 10, 11

WEDNESDAY

Morning Psalter – 119:1-24
Exodus 15:22—16:10
1 Peter 2:1-10
John 15:1-11
Evening Psalter – 12, 13, 14

THURSDAY

Morning Psalter – 18:1-19
Exodus 16:10-21
1 Peter 2:11—3:12
John 15:12-27
Evening Psalter – 18:20-50

FRIDAY

Morning Psalter – 16, 17
Exodus 16:22-36
1 Peter 3:13—4:6
John 16:1-15
Evening Psalter – 134, 135

SATURDAY

Morning Psalter – 20, 21
Exodus 17:1-16
1 Peter 4:7-19
John 16:16-33
Evening Psalter – 110, 116, 117

HEIDELBERG CATECHISM

Q. 54. What do you believe concerning the holy catholic Christian church?

A. I believe that the Son of God,^[1] out of the whole human race,^[2] from the beginning of the world to its end,^[3] gathers, defends, and preserves for Himself,^[4] by his Spirit and Word,^[5] in the unity of the true faith,^[6] a church chosen to everlasting life.^[7] And I believe that I am^[8] and forever shall remain a living member of it.^[9]

[1] John 10:11; Acts 20:28; Eph. 4:11-13; Col. 1:18.

[2] Gen. 26:4; Rev. 5:9.

[3] Is. 59:21; 1 Cor. 11:26.

[4] Ps. 129:1-5; Matt. 16:18; John 10:28-30.

[5] Rom. 1:16; 10:14-17; Eph. 5:26.

[6] Acts 2:42-47; Eph. 4:1-6.

[7] Rom. 8:29; Eph. 1:3-14.

[8] 1 John 3:14, 19-21.

[9] Ps. 23:6; John 10:27, 28; 1 Cor. 1:4-9; 1 Pet. 1:3-5.

Q. 55. What do you understand by the communion of saints?

A. First, that believers, all and everyone, as members of Christ have communion with him and share in all his treasures and gifts.^[1]

Second, that everyone is duty-bound to use his gifts readily and cheerfully for the benefit and well-being of the other members.^[2]

[1] Rom. 8:32; 1 Cor. 6:17; 12:4-7, 12, 13; 1 John 1:3.

[2] Rom. 12:4-8; 1 Cor. 12:20-27; 13:1-7; Phil. 2:4-8.

Q. 56. What do you believe concerning the forgiveness of sins?

A. I believe that God, because of Christ's satisfaction, will no more remember my sins,^[1] nor my sinful nature, against which I have to struggle all my life,^[2] but he will graciously grant me the righteousness of Christ, that I may never come into condemnation.^[3]

[1] Ps. 103:3, 4, 10, 12; Mic. 7:18, 19; 2 Cor. 5:18-21; 1 John 1:7; 2:2.

[2] Rom. 7:21-25.

[3] John 3:17, 18; 5:24; Rom. 8:1, 2.