

Taking Gathered Worship Home

The Second Sunday in Advent – Sunday, December 8, 2019

Taking Gathered Worship Home (TGWH) has been developed for you to use in the private worship of your home, whether you are married or single, and whether or not you have children. It is a tool to knit us together throughout the church year. While we would encourage the use of TGWH in its entirety, you are encouraged to adapt the offerings to your particular circumstances. The prayer is taken from "Lutheran Worship" and the psalm readings are taken from the "Book of Common Prayer" and the daily readings are from "The Book of Common Worship."

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of your only-begotten Son, that at his second coming we may worship him in purity; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Daily Readings

SUNDAY

Morning Psalter – 148, 149, 150

Amos 6:1-14

2 Thessalonians 1:5-12

Luke 1:57-66

Evening Psalter – 114, 115

♪ *Comfort, Comfort These My People* (p. 2)

MONDAY

Morning Psalter – 25

Amos 7:1-9

Revelation 1:1-8

Matthew 22:23-33

Evening Psalter – 9, 15

♪ *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* (p. 4)

TUESDAY

Morning Psalter – 26, 28

Amos 7:10-17

Revelation 1:9-16

Matthew 22:34-46

Evening Psalter – 36, 39

♪ *On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry* (p. 7)

WEDNESDAY

Morning Psalter – 38

Amos 8:1-14

Revelation 1:17—2:7

Matthew 23:1-12

Evening Psalter – 119:25-48

♪ *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming* (p. 10)

THURSDAY

Morning Psalter – 37:1-17

Amos 9:1-10

Revelation 2:8-17

Matthew 23:13-26

Evening Psalter – 37:18-40

♪ *Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding!* (p. 12)

FRIDAY

Morning Psalter – 31

Haggai 1:1-15

Revelation 2:18-29

Matthew 23:27-39

Evening Psalter – 35

♪ *Hail to the Lord's Anointed* (p. 13)

SATURDAY

Morning Psalter – 30, 32

Haggai 2:1-9

Revelation 3:1-6

Matthew 24:1-14

Evening Psalter – 42, 43

♪ *Magnificat* (p. 14)

Heidelberg Catechism

Q. 3. From where do you know your sins and misery?

A. From the law of God. ^[1]

[1] Rom. 3: 20.

Q. 4. What does God's law require of us?

A. Christ teaches us this in a summary in Matthew 22:

You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. ^[1] This is the great and first commandment.

And a second is like it, you shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets. ^[2]

[1] Deut. 6:5.

[2] Lev. 19:18.

Q. 5. Can you keep all this perfectly?

A. No, ^[1] I am inclined by nature to hate God and my neighbor. ^[2]

[1] Rom. 3:10, 23; 1 John 1:8, 10.

[2] Gen. 6:5; 8:21; Jer. 17:9; Rom. 7:23; 8:7; Eph. 2:3; Tit. 3:3.

In Preparation for the Divine Service:

December 15, 2019, The Third Sunday in Advent

Sermon Reading: Matthew 11:2-15
Rev. Eric Landry preaching

The Appointed Lessons:

Psalm 146

Isaiah 35:1-10

James 5:7-11

Matthew 11:2-15