Taking Gathered Worship Home

The First Sunday after Christmas – Sunday, December 29, 2024

"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."

O God, our Maker and Redeemer, you wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive in him who made himself to be like us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Daily Readings

SUNDAY | 5TH DAY OF CHRISTMAS

Morning Psalter – 66, 67 Isaiah 62:6-7, 10-12 Hebrews 2:10-18 Matthew 1:18-25 Evening Psalter – 145 ☐ O Come All Ye Faithful (p. 2)

Monday | 6th day of Christmas

TUESDAY | 7TH DAY OF CHRISTMAS

Morning Psalter – 46, 48
Isaiah 26:1-9
2 Corinthians 5:16—6:2
John 8:12-19
Evening Psalter – 90

■ God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen (p. 6)

Wednesday | 8th day of Christmas

Morning Psalter – 103 Genesis 17:1-16 Colossians 2:6-12 John 16:23b-30 Evening Psalter – 148 ☐ O Little One Sweet (p. 7)

THURSDAY | 9TH DAY OF CHRISTMAS

FRIDAY | 10TH DAY OF CHRISTMAS

Saturday | 11th day of Christmas

Morning Psalter – 85, 87 Exodus 3:1-12 Hebrews 11:23-31 John 14:6-14 Evening Psalter – 89:1-29 ☐ O Little Town of Bethlehem (p. 14)

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 9. What is the work of creation?

A. The work of creation is the making by God of all things from nothing, by his powerful word, [a] in the space of six days, and all very good. [b]

[a] Gen 1:1; Psa 33:6, 9; Heb 11:3 [b] Gen 1:31

O. 10. How did God create man?

A. God created man, male and female, in his own image, [a] in knowledge, [b] righteousness, and holiness, [c] with rule over the creatures. [d]

[a] Gen 1:27 [b] Col 3:10 [c] Eph 4:24

[d] Gen 1:28; see Psa 8:1-9

In Preparation for the Divine Service: January 5, 2025, Epiphany Sunday

Sermon Reading: Matthew 2:1-12 Rev. Eric Landry

The Appointed Lessons:

Psalm 72:1-11 Isaiah 60:1-6 Ephesians 3:1-12 Matthew 2:1-12