

Taking Gathered Worship Home

Fourth Week of Easter – Sunday, April 26, 2026

"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."

Almighty God, merciful Father, since you have wakened from death the Shepherd of your sheep, grant us your Holy Spirit that we may know the voice of our Shepherd and follow him that sin and death may never pluck us out of your hand; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Daily Readings

SUNDAY

Morning Psalter – 63, 98
Exodus 28:1-5, 30-38
1 John 2:18-29
Mark 6:30-44
Evening Psalter – 103
♪ *All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above* (p. 2)

MONDAY

Morning Psalter – 41, 52
Exodus 32:1-20
Colossians 3:18—4:18
Matthew 5:1-10
Evening Psalter – 44
♪ *All People That On Earth Do Dwell* (p. 4)

TUESDAY

Morning Psalter – 45
Exodus 32:21-35
1 Thessalonians 1:1-10
Matthew 5:11-16
Evening Psalter – 47, 48
♪ *Amazing Grace* (p. 6)

WEDNESDAY

Morning Psalter – 119:49-72
Exodus 33:1-23
1 Thessalonians 2:1-12
Matthew 5:17-20
Evening Psalter – 49, 53
♪ *That Easter Day With Joy Was Bright* (p. 9)

THURSDAY

Morning Psalter – 50
Exodus 34:1-17
1 Thessalonians 2:13-20
Matthew 5:21-26
Evening Psalter – 59, 60
♪ *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* (p. 11)

FRIDAY

Morning Psalter – 40, 54
Exodus 34:18-35
1 Thessalonians 3:1-13
Matthew 5:27-37
Evening Psalter – 51
♪ *Christ Hath A Garden* (p. 12)

SATURDAY

Morning Psalter – 55
Exodus 40:18-38
1 Thessalonians 4:1-12
Matthew 5:38-48
Evening Psalter – 138, 139
♪ *In Thee Is Gladness* (p.13)

Heidelberg Catechism

Q. 64. But does not this doctrine make men careless and profane?

A. By no means: for it is impossible that those, who are implanted into Christ by a true faith, should not bring forth fruits of thankfulness. (a)

(a) Matt.7:18; John 15:5.

Q. 65. Since then we are made partakers of Christ and all his benefits by faith only, whence does this faith proceed?

A. From the Holy Ghost, (a) who works faith in our hearts by the preaching of the gospel, and confirms it by the use of the sacraments. (b)

(a) Eph.2:8,9; Eph.6:23; John 3:5; Philip.1:29. (b) Matt.28:19,20; 1Pet.1:22,23.

Q. 66. What are the sacraments?

A. The sacraments are holy visible signs and seals, appointed of God for this end, that by the use thereof, he may the more fully declare and seal to us the promise of the gospel, that he grants us freely the remission of sin, and life eternal, for the sake of that one sacrifice of Christ, accomplished on the cross. (a)

(a) Gen.17:11; Rom.4:11; Deut.30:6; Lev.6:25; Heb.9:7-9,24; Ezek.20:12; Isa.6:6,7; Isa.54:9.

In Preparation for the Divine Service: May 3, 2026, Fifth Week of Easter

Sermon Reading: Psalm 146
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The Appointed Lessons:

Psalm 146	1 Peter 2:2-10
Acts 6:1-9, 7:2a, 51-60	John 14:1-14