

# Taking Gathered Worship Home

## The Seventh Sunday of Easter – Sunday, May 24, 2020

*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 King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, we pray, leave us not without consolation, but send us the Spirit of truth, whom you promised from the Father; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

### Daily Readings

#### ASCENSION SUNDAY

Morning Psalter – 66, 67  
Exodus 3:1-12  
Hebrews 12:18-29  
Luke 10:17-24  
Evening Psalter – 19, 46  
♪ *God of Gods, We Sound His Praises* (p. 2)

#### MONDAY

Morning Psalter – 89:1-18  
Joshua 1:1-9  
Ephesians 3:1-13  
Matthew 8:5-17  
Evening Psalter – 89:19-52  
♪ *Who Shall Ascend the Mountain of the Lord* (p. 4)

#### TUESDAY

Morning Psalter – 97, 99, 100  
1 Samuel 16:1-13  
Ephesians 3:14-21  
Matthew 8:18-27  
Evening Psalter – 94, 95  
♪ *Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise* (p. 6)

#### WEDNESDAY

Morning Psalter – 101, 109  
Isaiah 4:2-6  
Ephesians 4:1-16  
Matthew 8:28-34  
Evening Psalter – 119:121-144  
♪ *Be Thou My Vision* (p. 8)

#### THURSDAY

Morning Psalter – 105:1-22  
Zechariah 4:1-14  
Ephesians 4:17-32  
Matthew 9:1-8  
Evening Psalter – 105:23-45  
♪ *Sanctus* (p. 9)

#### FRIDAY

Morning Psalter – 102  
Jeremiah 31:27-34  
Ephesians 5:1-33  
Matthew 9:9-17  
Evening Psalter – 107:1-32  
♪ *Look, Ye Saints, the Sight Is Glorious* (p. 10)

#### SATURDAY

Morning Psalter – 107:33-43, 108  
Ezekiel 36:22-28  
Ephesians 6:1-24  
Matthew 9:18-26  
Evening Psalter – 33  
♪ *On Christ's Ascension I Now Build* (p. 11)

### Heidelberg Catechism

#### Q. 69. How does holy baptism signify and seal to you that the one sacrifice of Christ on the cross benefits you?

A. In this way: Christ instituted this outward washing<sup>[1]</sup> and with it gave the promise that, as surely as water washes away the dirt from the body, so certainly his blood and Spirit wash away the impurity of my soul, that is, all my sins.<sup>[2]</sup>

[1] Matt. 28:19.

[2] Matt. 3:11; Mark 16:16; John 1:33; Acts 2:38; Rom. 6:3, 4; 1 Pet. 3:21.

#### Q. 70. What does it mean to be washed with Christ's blood and Spirit?

A. To be washed with Christ's blood means to receive forgiveness of sins from God, through grace, because of Christ's blood, poured out for us in sacrifice on the cross.<sup>[1]</sup>

To be washed with his Spirit means to be renewed by the Holy Spirit and sanctified to be members of Christ, so that more and more we become dead to sin and lead a holy and blameless life.<sup>[2]</sup>

[1] Ez. 36:25; Zech. 13:1; Eph. 1:7; Heb. 12:24; 1 Pet. 1:2; Rev. 1:5; 7:14.

[2] John 3:5-8; Rom. 6:4; 1 Cor. 6:11; Col. 2:11, 12.

#### Q. 71. Where has Christ promised that he will wash us with his blood and Spirit as surely as we are washed with the water of baptism?

A. In the institution of baptism, where he says: Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.<sup>[1]</sup>

He who believes and is baptized will be saved, but he who does not believe will be condemned.<sup>[2]</sup>

This promise is repeated where Scripture calls baptism the washing of regeneration and the washing away of sins.<sup>[3]</sup>

[1] Matthew 28:19,

[2] Mark 16:16,

[3] Titus 3:5; Acts 22:16.

### In Preparation for the Divine Service:

May 31, 2020, *The Day of Pentecost*

**Sermon Reading:** Ezekiel 37:1-14  
Rev. Bryce Waller preaching

**The Appointed Lessons:**  
Psalm 25:1-15                      Acts 2:1-21  
Numbers 11:24-30                  John 7:37-39