

# Taking Gathered Worship Home

## The First Week after the Epiphany – Sunday, January 7, 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."*

*Father in heaven, as at the baptism in the Jordan River you once proclaimed Jesus your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit, grant that all who are baptized in his name may faithfully keep the covenant into which they have been called, boldly confess their Savior, and with him be heirs of life eternal; through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

### Daily Readings

#### SUNDAY

Morning Psalter – 146, 147

Genesis 1:1–2:3

Ephesians 1:3-14

John 1:29-34

Evening Psalter – 111, 112, 113

♪ *When Christ's Appearing Was Made Known* (p. 2)

#### MONDAY

Morning Psalter – 1, 2, 3

Genesis 2:4-25

Hebrews 1:1-14

John 1:1-18

Evening Psalter – 4, 7

♪ *Brightest and Best* (p. 4)

#### TUESDAY

Morning Psalter – 5, 6

Genesis 3:1-24

Hebrews 2:1-10

John 1:19-28

Evening Psalter – 10, 11

♪ *What Star Is This* (p. 7)

#### WEDNESDAY

Morning Psalter – 119:1-24

Genesis 4:1-16

Hebrews 2:11-18

John 1:35-42

Evening Psalter – 12, 13, 14

♪ *As with Gladness, Men of Old* (p. 10)

#### THURSDAY

Morning Psalter – 18:1-19

Genesis 4:17-26

Hebrews 3:1-11

John 1:43-51

Evening Psalter – 18:20-50

♪ *How Lovely Shines the Morning Star* (p. 12)

#### FRIDAY

Morning Psalter – 16, 17

Genesis 6:1-8

Hebrews 3:12-19

John 2:1-12

Evening Psalter – 22

♪ *What Child Is This* (p. 13)

#### SATURDAY

Morning Psalter – 20, 21

Genesis 6:9-22

Hebrews 4:1-13

John 2:13-22

Evening Psalter – 110, 116, 117

♪ *On This Day* (p. 14)

### Heidelberg Catechism

#### Q. 16. Why must he be very man, and also perfectly righteous?

**A.** Because the justice of God requires that the same human nature which has sinned, should likewise make satisfaction for sin; (a) and one, who is himself a sinner, cannot satisfy for others. (b)

(a) Ezek. 18:4, 20; Rom. 5:12, 15, 18; 1 Cor. 15:21; Heb. 2:14-16; 1 Pet. 3:18; Isa. 53:3-5, 10, 11. (b) Heb. 7:26, 27; Ps. 49:7, 8; 1 Pet. 3:18.

#### Q. 17. Why must he in one person be also very God?

**A.** That he might, by the power of his Godhead (a) sustain in his human nature, (b) the burden of God's wrath; (c) and might obtain for, and restore to us, righteousness and life. (d)

(a) Isa. 9:6; Isa. 63:3. (b) Isa. 53:4, 11. (c) Deut. 4:24; Nah. 1:6; Ps. 130:3. (d) Isa. 53:5, 11; Acts 2:24; 1 Pet. 3:18; John 3:16; Acts 20:28; John 1:4.

#### Q. 18. Who then is that Mediator, who is in one person both very God, (a) and a real (b) righteous man? (c)

**A.** Our Lord Jesus Christ: (d) "who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption." (e)

(a) 1 John 5:20; Rom. 9:5; Rom. 8:3; Gal. 4:4; Isa. 9:6; Jer. 23:6; Mal. 3:1. (b) Luke 1:42; Luke 2:6, 7; Rom. 1:3; Rom. 9:5; Philip. 2:7; Heb. 2:14, 16, 17; Heb. 4:15. (c) Isa. 53:9, 11; Jer. 23:5; Luke 1:35; John 8:46; Heb. 4:15; Heb. 7:26; 1 Pet. 1:19; 1 Pet. 2:22; 1 Pet. 3:18. (d) 1 Tim. 2:5; Heb. 2:9; Matt. 1:23; 1 Tim. 3:16; Luke 2:11. (e) 1 Cor. 1:30.

#### Q. 19. Whence knowest thou this?

**A.** From the holy gospel, which God himself first revealed in Paradise; (a) and afterwards published by the patriarchs (b) and prophets, (c) and represented by the sacrifices and other ceremonies of the law; (d) and lastly, has fulfilled it by his only begotten Son. (e)

(a) Gen. 3:15. (b) Gen. 22:18; Gen. 12:3; Gen. 49:10, 11. (c) Isa. 53; Isa. 42:1-4; Isa. 43:25; Isa. 49:5, 6, 22, 23; Jer. 23:5, 6; Jer. 31:32, 33; Jer. 32:39-41; Mic. 7:18-20; Acts 10:43; Rom. 1:2; Heb. 1:1; Acts 3:22-24; Acts 10:43; John 5:46. (d) Heb. 10:1, 7; Col. 2:7; John 5:46. (e) Rom. 10:4; Gal. 4:4, 5; Gal. 3:24; Col. 2:17.

### In Preparation for the Divine Service:

January 14, 2024, *The Baptism of Our Lord*

**Sermon Reading:** Mark 3:1-12  
Rev. Danny Morgan

#### The Appointed Lessons:

Psalm 29  
Romans 6:1-11

Genesis 1:1-5  
Mark 1:4-11