

# Taking Gathered Worship Home

## The Third Sunday in Lent – Sunday, March 15, 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."

*Almighty God, because you know that we of ourselves have no strength, keep us both outwardly and inwardly that we may be defended from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

### Daily Readings

#### SUNDAY

Morning Psalter – 93, 96

Genesis 44:1-17

Romans 8:1-10

John 5:25-29

Evening Psalter – 34

♪ *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven* (p. 2)

#### MONDAY

Morning Psalter – 80

Genesis 44:18-34

1 Corinthians 7:25-31

Mark 5:21-43

Evening Psalter – 77, 79

♪ *How Firm a Foundation* (p. 4)

#### TUESDAY

Morning Psalter – 78:1-39

Genesis 45:1-15

1 Corinthians 7:32-40

Mark 6:1-13

Evening Psalter – 78:40-72

♪ *If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee* (p. 6)

#### WEDNESDAY

Morning Psalter – 119:97-120

Genesis 45:16-28

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Mark 6:13-29

Evening Psalter – 81, 82

♪ *Jesus, Lover of My Soul* (p. 9)

#### THURSDAY

Morning Psalter – 83

Genesis 46:1-7, 28-34

1 Corinthians 9:1-15

Mark 6:30-46

Evening Psalter – 85, 86

♪ *How Deep the Father's Love for Us* (p. 11)

#### FRIDAY

Morning Psalter – 88

Genesis 47:1-26

1 Corinthians 9:16-27

Mark 6:47-56

Evening Psalter – 91, 92

♪ *What Offering Shall We Give?* (p. 12)

#### SATURDAY

Morning Psalter – 87, 90

Genesis 47:27—48:7

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

Mark 7:1-23

Evening Psalter – 136

♪ *O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days* (p. 13)

### Heidelberg Catechism

#### Q. 40. Why was it necessary for Christ to humble himself even unto death?

A. Because of the justice and truth of God<sup>[1]</sup> satisfaction for our sins could be made in no other way than by the death of the Son of God.<sup>[2]</sup>

[1] Gen. 2:17.

[2] Rom. 8:3; Phil. 2:8; Heb. 2:9, 14, 15.

#### Q. 41. Why was he buried?

A. His burial testified that he had really died.<sup>[1]</sup>

[1] Is. 53:9; John 19:38-42; Acts 13:29; 1 Cor. 15:3,4.

#### Q. 42. Since Christ has died for us, why do we still have to die?

A. Our death is not a payment for our sins, but it puts an end to sin and is an entrance into eternal life.<sup>[1]</sup>

[1] John 5:24; Phil. 1:21-23; 1 Thess. 5:9, 10.

#### Q. 43. What further benefit do we receive from Christ's sacrifice and death on the cross?

A. Through Christ's death our old nature is crucified, put to death, and buried with Him,<sup>[1]</sup> so that the evil desires of the flesh may no longer reign in us,<sup>[2]</sup> but that we may offer ourselves to him as a sacrifice of thankfulness.<sup>[3]</sup>

[1] Rom. 6:5-11; Col. 2:11, 12.

[2] Rom. 6:12-14.

[3] Rom. 12:1; Eph. 5:1, 2.

#### Q. 44. Why is there added: he descended into hell?

A. In my greatest sorrows and temptations I may be assured and comforted that my Lord Jesus Christ, by his unspeakable anguish, pain, terror, and agony, which he endured throughout all his sufferings<sup>[1]</sup> but especially on the cross, has delivered me from the anguish and torment of hell.<sup>[2]</sup>

[1] Ps. 18:5, 6; 116:3; Matt. 26:36-46; 27:45, 46; Heb. 5:7-10.

[2] Is. 53.

### In Preparation for the Divine Service:

March 22, 2020, The Fourth Sunday in Lent

**Sermon Reading:** John 12:1-8  
Rev. Eric Landry preaching

**The Appointed Lessons:**  
Psalm 142  
Isaiah 42:14-21  
Ephesians 5:8-14  
John 9:1-7, 13-17, 34-39