

Taking Gathered Worship Home

Fourth Week of Lent – Sunday, March 15, 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, our heavenly Father, your mercies are new every morning, and though we have in no way deserved your goodness, you still abundantly provide for all our wants of body and soul. Give us, we pray, your Holy Spirit that we may heartily acknowledge your merciful goodness toward us, give thanks for all your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience; 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 – 66, 67
Genesis 48:8-22
Romans 8:11-25
John 6:27-40
Evening Psalter – 19, 46
♪ *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehova* (p. 2)

MONDAY

Morning Psalter – 89:1-18
Genesis 49:1-28
1 Corinthians 10:14—11:1
Mark 7:24-37
Evening Psalter – 89:19-52
♪ *Whatever My God Ordains Is Right* (p. 4)

TUESDAY

Morning Psalter – 97, 99, 100
Genesis 49:29—50:14
1 Corinthians 11:2-34
Mark 8:1-10
Evening Psalter – 94, 95
♪ *Lord Jesus Christ Be Present Now* (p. 6)

WEDNESDAY

Morning Psalter – 101, 109
Genesis 50:15-26
1 Corinthians 12:1-11
Mark 8:11-26
Evening Psalter – 119:121-144
♪ *Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted* (p. 9)

THURSDAY

Morning Psalter – 69
Exodus 1:6-22
1 Corinthians 12:12-26
Mark 8:27—9:1
Evening Psalter – 73
♪ *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation* (p. 11)

FRIDAY

Morning Psalter – 102
Exodus 2:1-22
1 Corinthians 12:27—13:3
Mark 9:2-13
Evening Psalter – 107:1-32
♪ *Glory Be to Jesus* (p. 12)

SATURDAY

Morning Psalter – 107:33-43, 108
Exodus 2:23—3:15
1 Corinthians 13:1-13
Mark 9:14-29
Evening Psalter – 33
♪ *O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days* (p.13)

Heidelberg Catechism

Q. 46. How dost thou understand these words, "he ascended into heaven"?

A. That Christ, in sight of his disciples, was taken up from earth into heaven; (a) and that he continues there for our interest, (b) until he comes again to judge the quick and the dead. (c)

(a) Acts 1:9; Matt.26:64; Mark 16:19; Luke 24:51. (b) Heb.7:25; Heb.4:14; Heb.9:24; Rom.8:34; Eph.4:10; Col.3:1. (c) Acts 1:11; Matt.24:30.

Q. 47. Is not Christ then with us even to the end of the world, as he has promised? (a)

A. Christ is very man and very God; with respect to his human nature, he is no more on earth; (b) but with respect to his Godhead, majesty, grace and spirit, he is at no time absent from us. (c)

(a) Matt.28:20. (b) Heb.8:4; Matt.26:11; John 16:28; John 17:11; Acts 3:21. (c) John 14:17-19; John 16:13; Matt.28:20; Eph.4:8,12.

Q. 48. But if his human nature is not present, wherever his Godhead is, are not then these two natures in Christ separated from one another?

A. Not at all, for since the Godhead is illimitable and omni-present, (a) it must necessarily follow that the same is beyond the limits of the human nature he assumed, (b) and yet is nevertheless in this human nature, and remains personally united to it.

(a) Acts 7:49; Jer.23:24. (b) Col.2:9; John 3:13; John 11:15; Matt.28:6.

In Preparation for the Divine Service:

March 22, 2026, Fifth Sunday of Lent

Sermon Reading: Mark 14:53-72
Rev. Eric Landry

The Appointed Lessons:

Psalm 130	Romans 8:1-11
Ezekiel 37:1-14	John 11:17-27, 38-53