

Taking Gathered Worship Home

Fourteenth Week of Pentecost – August 23, 2026

"Taking Gathered Worship Home" (TGW) 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," the Psalm readings are taken from the "Book of Common Prayer," and the daily readings are from "The Book of Common Worship."

O God, from whom all good proceeds, grant to us, your humble servants, your holy inspiration, that we may set our minds on the things that are right and, by your merciful guiding, accomplish them; 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 – 63, 98
Job 25:1–6; 27:1–6
Revelation 14:1–7, 13
Matthew 5:13–20
Evening Psalter – 103
♪ *All Hail the Pow'r of Jesus' Name* (p. 2)

MONDAY

Morning Psalter – 41, 52
Job 32:1–10, 19–33:1, 19–28
Acts 13:44–52
John 10:19–30
Evening Psalter – 44
♪ Psalm 138 (p. 5)

TUESDAY

Morning Psalter – 45
Job 29:1–20
Acts 14:1–18
John 10:31–42
Evening Psalter – 47, 48
♪ *Come, Oh Come, O Quickening Spirit* (p. 9)

WEDNESDAY

Morning Psalter – 119:49–72
Job 29:1; 30:1–2, 16–31
Acts 14:19–28
John 11:1–16
Evening Psalter – 49, 53
♪ Doxology (p. 10)

THURSDAY

Morning Psalter – 50
Job 29:1; 31:1–23
Acts 15:1–11
John 11:17–29
Evening Psalter – 59, 60
♪ Sanctus (p. 10)

FRIDAY

Morning Psalter – 40, 54
Job 29:1; 31:24–40
Acts 15:12–21
John 11:30–44
Evening Psalter – 51
♪ *I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord* (p. 11)

SATURDAY

Morning Psalter – 55
Job 38:1–17
Acts 15:22–35
John 11:45–54
Evening Psalter – 138, 139
♪ *Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor* (pp. 12–13)

Heidelberg Catechism

Q. 103. What does God require in the fourth commandment?

A. First, that the ministry of the gospel and the schools be maintained^[1] and that, especially on the day of rest, I diligently attend the church of God^[2] to hear God's Word,^[3] to use the sacraments,^[4] to call publicly upon the LORD,^[5] and to give Christian offerings for the poor.^[6] Second, that all the days of my life I rest from my evil works, let the LORD work in me through his Holy Spirit, and so begin in this life the eternal sabbath.^[7]

[1] Deut. 6:4-9; 20-25; I Cor. 9:13, 14; II Tim. 2:2; 3:13-17; Tit. 1:5. [2] Deut. 12:5-12; Ps. 40:9, 10; 68:26; Acts 2:42-47; Heb. 10:23-25. [3] Rom. 10:14-17; I Cor. 14:26-33; I Tim. 4:13. [4] I Cor. 11:23, 24. [5] Col. 3:16; I Tim. 2:1. [6] Ps. 50:14; I Cor. 16:2; II Cor. 8 and 9. [7] Is. 66:23; Heb. 4:9-11.

Q. 104. What does God require in the fifth commandment?

A. That I show all honor, love, and faithfulness to my father and mother and to all those in authority over me, submit myself with due obedience to their good instruction and discipline,^[1] and also have patience with their weaknesses and shortcomings,^[2] since it is God's will to govern us by their hand.^[3]

[1] Ex. 21:17; Prov. 1:8; 4:1; Rom. 13:1, 2; Eph. 5:21, 22; 6:1-9; Col. 3:18-4:1. [2] Prov. 20:20; 23:22; I Pet. 2:18. [3] Matt. 22:21, Rom. 13:1-8; Eph. 6:1-9; Col. 3:18-21.

In Preparation for the Divine Service:

August 30, 2026, Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Sermon Reading: 1 Peter 4:7-11
Rev. Eric Landry

The Appointed Lessons:

Psalm 26	Jeremiah 15:15–21
Romans 12:9–21	Matthew 16:21–28