Taking Gathered Worship Home

Twenty-sixth Week of Pentecost – November 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," the Psalm readings are taken from the "Book of Common Prayer," and the daily readings are from "The Book of Common Worship."

Almighty and ever-living God, you have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in you. Grant us so firmly to believe in your Son Jesus, that our faith may never be found wanting; through the same Jesus Christ, 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
Joel 1:1–14
1 Corinthians 14:1–12
Matthew 20:1–16
Evening Psalter – 34
♫ *Crown Him with Many Crowns* (p. 2)

Monday
Morning Psalter – 80
Joel 1:15—2:2
Revelation 18:15–24
Luke 14:12–24
Evening Psalter – 77, 79
♫ Psalm 90:1–12 (p. 5)

Tuesday
Morning Psalter – 78:1–39
Joel 2:3–11
Revelation 19:1–10
Luke 14:25–35
Evening Psalter – 78:40–72
♫ *Take My Life, and Let it Be* (p. 6)

Wednesday
Morning Psalter – 119:97–120
Joel 2:12–19
Revelation 19:11–21
Luke 15:1–10
Evening Psalter – 81, 82
♫ *O Word of God Incarnate* (p. 9)

Thursday
Morning Psalter – 83
Joel 2:21–27
James 1:1–15
Luke 15:1–2, 11–32
Evening Psalter – 85, 86
♫ Doxology (p. 10)

Friday
Morning Psalter – 88
Joel 2:28—3:8
James 1:16–27
Luke 16:1–9
Evening Psalter – 91, 92
♫ *How Sweet and Awful is the Place* (p. 11)

Saturday
Morning Psalter – 87, 90
Joel 3:9–21
James 2:1–13
Luke 16:10–18
Evening Psalter – 136
♫ *Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending* (pp. 12-13)

Heidelberg Catechism

Q. 127. What is the sixth petition?
A. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. That is: In ourselves we are so weak that we cannot stand even for a moment.[1] Moreover, our sworn enemies — the devil,[2] the world,[3] and our own flesh[4] — do not cease to attack us. Wilt Thou, therefore, uphold and strengthen us by the power of thy Holy Spirit, so that in this spiritual war[5] we may not go down to defeat, but always firmly resist our enemies, until we finally obtain the complete victory.[6]

[1] Ps. 103:14-16; John 15:1-5. [2] II Cor. 11:14; Eph. 6:10-13; I Pet. 5:8. [3] John 15:18-21. [4] Rom. 7:23; Gal. 5:17. [5] Matt. 10:19, 20; 26:41; Mark 13:33; Rom. 5:3-5. [6] I Cor. 10:13; I Thess. 3:13; 5:23.

Q. 128. How do you conclude your prayer?
A. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. That is: all this we ask of thee because, as our King, having power over all things, art both willing and able to give us all that is good,[1] and because not we but thy holy Name should so receive all glory forever.[2]

[1] Rom. 10:11-13; II Pet 2:9. [2] Ps. 115:1; Jer. 33:8, 9; John 14:13.

In Preparation for the Divine Service:

November 22, 2026, *Twenty-sixth Sunday After Pentecost*

Sermon Reading: Romans 15:14—16:27
Rev. Dr. Marcus Serven

The Appointed Lessons:

Psalm 95:1–7a	Ezekiel 34:11–16, 20–24
1 Corinthians 15:20–28	Matthew 25:31–46