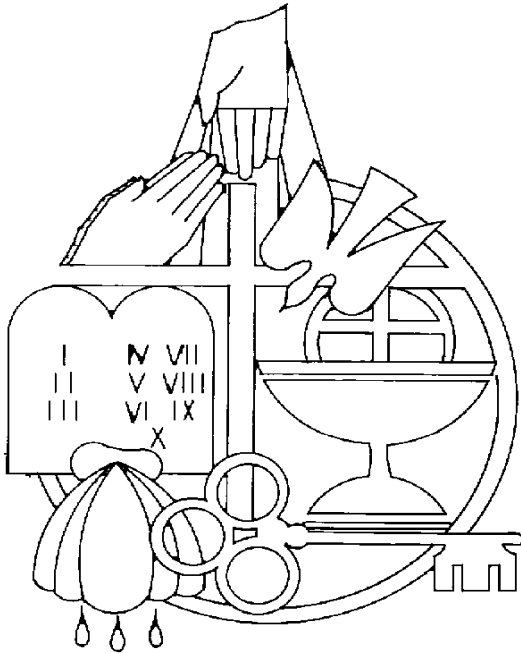


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✚ **DAILY CATECHESIS ON THE WAY** ✚

TO AND FROM EMMAUS WITH JESUS

✚ **THE FIRST WEEK IN ANGELS' TIDE** ✚

“They were continually devoting themselves to the Apostolic Doctrine and to the Communion, to the Breaking of the Bread, and to the Prayers.”

(Acts of the Apostles 2:42)



This Week in the Church Year

Our Father in heaven, who sent His messenger, St. John the Baptist, to prepare the Way of the Lord through the preaching and Baptism of repentance, and who sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to free us from sin, death and the devil, sends also His holy angels to guard and keep us in body and soul. As we remember the Feast of St. Michael & All Angels this Monday (29 September), we give thanks to the Holy Triune God for these majestic servants of His, who protect and serve us for Jesus' sake. He was for a little while made lower than the angels (in going to the Cross for us men and our salvation), but He has now been exalted, in the flesh, above all the angels (in His Resurrection & Ascension). Thus do His holy angels rejoice at the repentance, forgiveness and salvation of sinners.

Emphasis: The Lord Guards & Protects Us by His Holy Angels

The Order of Daily Catechesis in Word and Prayer

Pray and confess out loud as much from the order of daily catechesis as you and your family are able. Learn by heart the verse, catechism, and hymn of the week.

[*The Opening Versicles and Psalmody*]:

O Lord, open my lips. And my mouth will declare Your praise.

Make haste, O God, to deliver me. Make haste to help me, O Lord.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Psalm 25:1–10 (and/or one or more of the appointed Psalms listed below)

<i>Psalms</i>	<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
<i>Morning</i>	5, 150	103, 145	42, 146	89:1–18; 147:1–11	97, 147:12–20	51, 148	104, 149
<i>Evening</i>	117, 139	91, 84, 29	102, 133	1, 33	16, 62	142, 65	118, 111

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

The Verse: St. Matthew 28:18b

(Jesus said): “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.”

Readings for the First Week in Angels’ Tide:

Sunday, 28 September 2014

Deuteronomy 1:1–18; St. Matthew 5:1–20

Monday, 29 September 2014 *(The Feast of St. Michael & All Angels)*

Deuteronomy 1:19–36; St. Matthew 5:21–48

(Daniel 10:10–14; 12:1–3; Revelation 12:7–12; and St. Matthew 18:1–11)

Tuesday, 30 September 2014 *(St. Jerome, Translator of Holy Scripture)*

Deuteronomy 1:37—2:15; St. Matthew 6:1–15

Wednesday, 1 October 2014

Deuteronomy 2:16–37; St. Matthew 6:16–34

Thursday, 2 October 2014

Deuteronomy 3:1–29; St. Matthew 7:1–12

Friday, 3 October 2014

Deuteronomy 4:1–20; St. Matthew 7:13–29

Saturday, 4 October 2014

Deuteronomy 4:21–40; St. Matthew 8:1–17

O Lord, have mercy on us.

Thanks be to God.

The Catechism: The Eighth Commandment

What is the Eighth Commandment?

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor, betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation, but defend him, speak well of him, and explain everything in the kindest way.

The Hymns of the Week

“CHRIST, THE LORD OF HOSTS, UNSHAKEN”

LSB #521

[Daily Prayer: Invocation, Apostles' Creed, Kyrie Eleison, and the Our Father]:

In the Name ☩ of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and ☩ the life everlasting. Amen.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father Who art in heaven. Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory forever & ever. Amen.

[*The Collects of the Week, Intercessions for each day of the week, and Special Petitions*]:

(Monday, 29 Sept): Collect for the Feast of St. Michael & All Angels:

Everlasting God, You have ordained and constituted the service of angels and men in a wonderful order. Mercifully grant that, as Your holy angels always serve and worship You in heaven, so by Your appointment they may also help and defend us here on earth; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. (Amen)

Collect for the First Week in Angels' Tide:

Almighty God, You exalted Your Son to the place of all honor and authority. Enlighten our minds by Your Holy Spirit that, confessing Jesus as Lord, we may be led into all truth; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. (Amen)

Daily Themes for Intercessory Prayer:

- Sunday:** *For the joy of the Resurrection; for the faithful preaching and hearing of God's Word; for the fruit of faith nourished by the Word and Sacraments.*
- Monday:** *For faith to live in the promises of Holy Baptism; for vocations and daily work; for the unemployed; for the salvation and well-being of our neighbors; for Resurrection Lutheran Academy and other schools, our home schools, our colleges and seminaries; for good government and peace.*
- Tuesday:** *For deliverance against temptation and evil; for the addicted and despairing; for the tortured and oppressed; for those struggling with sin.*
- Wednesday:** *For marriage and family, that husbands and wives, parents and children live in ordered harmony according to the Word of God; for parents who must rear their children alone; for our communities and neighborhoods.*
- Thursday:** *For the Church and her pastors; for missionaries, teachers, deaconesses, and other servants of Christ and His Church; for the fruitful and salutary use of the blessed Sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood.*
- Friday:** *For the preaching of the holy cross of our Lord Jesus Christ; for its spread throughout the whole world; for the persecuted; for the sick and dying.*
- Saturday:** *For faithfulness to the end; for the renewal of those who are withering in the faith or have fallen away; for pastors as they prepare to administer Christ's holy gifts; for receptive hearts and minds on the Lord's Day.*

In our Prayers this Week at Emmaus:

Bernice Knepp, as she now recovers from her knee surgery this past week;

Walter Sanders and family, celebrating the birth of a great-granddaughter; and

The family and friends of Carl Joseph (a former member of Emmaus who was living in West Lafayette), as they now mourn Carl's death in mid-September.

[*The Daily Morning or Evening Prayer, the Benedicamus, and the Benediction*]:

(*Morning*): We thank You, Lord God, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept us this night from all harm and danger; and we pray that You would keep us this day also from sin and every evil, that all our doings and life may please You; for into Your hands we commend ourselves, our bodies and souls and all things; let Your holy Angel be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us. Amen.

(*Evening*): We thank You, Lord God, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept us this day from all harm and danger; and we pray that You would forgive us all our sins, wherever we have done wrong, and graciously keep us this night; for into Your hands we commend ourselves, our bodies and souls and all things; let Your holy Angel be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us. Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the Love of God and the Communion of the Holy Spirit † be with us all.

Amen.

Then, if it is in the morning, go joyfully to your work, according to your vocations in life, in faith toward God and in love toward your neighbor; or, if it is at the close of the day, go to sleep at once and in good cheer.

The Feast of St. Michael & All Angels

Monday, 29 September

The name of the Archangel St. Michael means, "Who is like God?" St. Michael is mentioned in the Book of the Prophet Daniel (12:1), as well as in the New Testament Epistle of St. Jude (9) and the Book of the Revelation (12:7). Daniel portrays St. Michael as the angelic helper of Israel who leads in battle against the forces of evil. In the Revelation, St. Michael and his angels fight against and defeat Satan and the evil angels, driving them out of heaven. Their victory is made possible by Christ's own victory over Satan in His death and Resurrection, a victory announced by the voice in heaven: "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come" (7:10). St. Michael is often associated with Gabriel and Raphael, the other chief angels or archangels who surround the throne of God. Tradition names St. Michael as the patron and protector of the Church, especially as the protector of Christians at their death.

Commemoration of St. Jerome, Translator of Holy Scripture**Tuesday, 30 Sept**

Jerome was born in a little village on the Adriatic Sea around A.D. 345. At a young age he went to study in Rome, where he was baptized. After extensive travels, he chose the life of a monk and spent five years in the Syrian desert. There he learned Hebrew, the language of the Old Testament. After ordination at Antioch and visits to Rome and Constantinople, Jerome settled in Bethlehem. From the original Hebrew, Aramaic, and Greek, he used his ability with languages to translate the Holy Scriptures of the Prophets and Apostles into Latin, the common language of his time. This translation, called the “Vulgate,” served as the authoritative version of the Bible in the western Church for over 1,000 years. Considered one of the great scholars of the early church, St. Jerome died on 30 September, A.D. 420. He was originally interred at Bethlehem but his remains were eventually taken to Rome.

Looking forward to the Second Sunday in Angels’ Tide**5 October 2014****Hymns:**

LSB #430 My Song Is Love Unknown

LSB #540 Christ, the Word of God Incarnate

LSB #544 O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

LSB #568 If Your Beloved Son, O God

LSB #607 From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee

LSB #760 What God Ordains Is Always Good

Isaiah 5:1–7: The people of God are described as a vineyard planted by the Lord and carefully tended by Him. Although He has always done everything for His vineyard, it has not produced the good grapes it should, but briars and thorns. Thus, He calls His people to repentance by laying waste the vineyard; not finally for destruction, but that the vineyard be restored by the planting of the true Vine, Jesus Christ, in whom we abide by His grace through faith.

Philippians 3:4–14: If anyone were to be justified by the keeping of the Law, it would have been the Pharisee Saul of Tarsus, who was so zealous in his works righteousness. Yet, called by the Gospel, he came to regard all of his efforts and striving, all of his own merits and worthiness, as nothing but worthless trash. For the true and only righteousness that avails before God in heaven is that of faith in Christ Jesus, who was crucified for our transgressions and raised for our justification. So does St. Paul the Apostle admonish you, by his example, to press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

St. Matthew 21:33–46: In yet another Parable of the Vineyard, the Lord reveals how He has taken matters into His own hands. By His death, He has redeemed the vineyard for Himself—bought back, at the cost of His own life, what was His own to begin with—that we might be forgiven, and grafted into Him unto Life! Therefore, paradoxically, ‘the Stone which the builders rejected has become the chief Cornerstone; which is the Lord’s own doing, and marvelous in our eyes.’