

Hymns:

- LSB #384 Of the Father's Love Begotten
LSB #498 Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest
LSB #504 Father Most Holy, Merciful and Tender
LSB #507 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty
LSB #512 At the Name of Jesus
LSB #604 I Bind Unto Myself Today
LSB #713 From God Can Nothing Move Me
LSB #876 O Blessed, Holy Trinity
LSB #941 We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God

Proverbs 8:1–4, 22–31: *The almighty and eternal Son of the Living God is the divine Word and holy Wisdom by whom all things were made. He is the One who became flesh and bore our sins and suffered death, in order to give us life.*

Acts 2:14–36: *The continuation of St. Peter's preaching on the first Christian Pentecost calls sinners to repentant faith in the crucified and risen Lord Jesus Christ, who was crucified for our transgressions and raised for our justification. It is by and through Him that the Father now pours out His Spirit.*

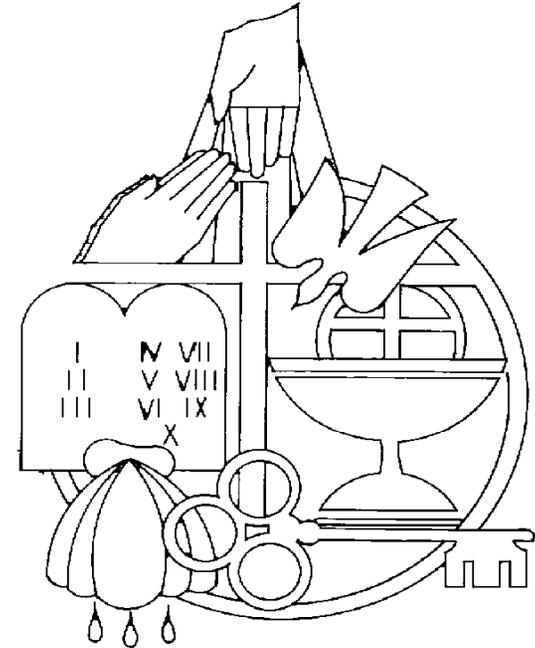
St. John 8:48–59: *The Lord Jesus Christ is the very Son of God; indeed, He is the only-begotten God, who has come from the bosom of the Father to reveal Him to us. It is in Christ Jesus that we know the Father and have eternal life.*

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✚ DAILY CATECHESIS ON THE WAY ✚

TO AND FROM EMMAUS WITH JESUS

✚ THE WEEK OF PENTECOST DAY ✚

“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)

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[*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.

Commemoration of the Emperor Constantine and Helena

Saturday, 21 May

Constantine I served as the Roman Emperor from A.D. 306 to 337. During his reign the persecution of Christians was forbidden by the Edict of Milan in 312, and ultimately the faith gained full imperial support. Constantine took an active interest in the life and teachings of the church, and in 325 he called the Council of Nicaea, at which orthodox Christianity was defined and defended. His mother, Helena (ca. 255-329), strongly influenced Constantine. Her great interest in locating the holy sites of the Christian faith led her to become one of the first Christian pilgrims to the Holy Land. Her investigations led to the identification of Biblical locations in Jerusalem, Bethlehem, and beyond, which are still maintained as places of worship today.

Let each his lesson learn with care, and all the household well shall fare.

Collect for the Feast of Pentecost Day:

O God, on the Day of Pentecost You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. (Amen)

(Monday, 16 May): Collect for Pentecost Monday (and for the days following)

O God, who gave Your Holy Spirit to the Apostles, grant us that same Spirit that we may live in faith and abide in peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, 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:

Robert Juday's family and friends, as we mourn his death this past Thursday, not as those who have no hope, but in the joyous hope of the Resurrection; Barb Sams and family, as they are working to sell their home; and Stacie Kendall (the wife of Rev. Chad Kendall) of Trinity in Lowell, Indiana, as she is now recovering from surgery this past week.

The Week of Pentecost Day

15–21 May 2016

This Week in the Church Year

The outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the Church is the bestowal of divine life from the Father in Christ Jesus, the Incarnate Son. This gift of the Spirit and of Life with God is poured out generously by the way and the means of the Gospel, the forgiveness of sins. On that first Christian Pentecost, and in the divine call and ordination of pastors in our own day, the Spirit is given in and with the Office of the Ministry for the preaching and administration of the Gospel; and by this Ministry of the Gospel, the same Holy Spirit is breathed into poor, miserable sinners, to raise them from the death of sin unto faith and life in Christ Jesus, our Savior. By this Spirit of Christ, man becomes a living being.

Emphasis: The Holy Spirit Bestows Life through the Gospel

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 143 (and/or one or more of the appointed daily Psalms listed below)

Psalms	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed'sday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	103, 150	48, 5, 145	78, 42, 146	89:1–18; 147:1–11	97, 147:12–20	51, 148	104, 149
Evening	117, 139	43, 84, 29	27, 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. John 7:38–39a

(Jesus said): “He who believes in Me, as the Scripture said, ‘From his innermost being will flow rivers of living water.’” But this He spoke of the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive.

Readings for the Week of Pentecost Day:

Sunday, 15 May 2016 (The Feast of Pentecost Day)

Numbers 21:10–35; St. Luke 21:10–38

Pentecost Monday, 16 May 2016

Numbers 22:1–20; St. Luke 22:1–23

Pentecost Tuesday, 17 May 2016

Numbers 22:21–23:3; St. Luke 22:24–46

Wednesday, 18 May 2016

Numbers 23:4–28; St. Luke 22:47–71

Thursday, 19 May 2016

Numbers 24:1–25; St. Luke 23:1–25

Friday, 20 May 2016

Numbers 27:12–23; St. Luke 23:26–56

Saturday, 21 May 2016 (Emperor Constantine and Helena)

Numbers 32:1–6, 16–27; St. Luke 24:1–27

O Lord, have mercy on us.

Thanks be to God.

The Catechism: The Sacrament of the Altar, Part III

How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things?

Certainly not just eating and drinking do these things, but the words written here: “Given and shed for you, for the forgiveness of sins.” These words, along with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main thing in the Sacrament. Whoever believes these words has exactly what they say: “Forgiveness of sins.”

The Hymns of the Week

“COME, HOLY GHOST, GOD AND LORD”

LSB #497

[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.