

Rome, Philadelphia, and Smyrna, and also to Polycarp, bishop of Smyrna. In these letters, which are beautifully pastoral in tone, Ignatius warned against certain heresies (false teachings). He also repeatedly stressed the full humanity and deity of Jesus Christ, the reality of Christ's body and blood in the Lord's Supper, the supreme authority of the bishop (in Christ), and the unity of the Church found in her bishops. Ignatius was the first to use the word 'catholic' to describe the universality of the Church. His Christ-centeredness, his courage in the face of martyrdom, and his zeal for the truth over against false doctrine are a lasting legacy to the Church.

The Feast of St. Luke, the Evangelist

Tuesday, 18 October

St. Luke, the beloved physician referred to by St. Paul (Colossians 4:14), presents us with the blessed Savior, Jesus Christ, whose blood provides the medicine of immortality. As his traveling companion, Paul claims Luke's Gospel as his own for its healing of souls (Eusebius). Luke traveled with Paul during the second missionary journey, joining him after Paul received his Macedonian call to bring the Gospel to Europe (Acts 16:10-17). Luke most likely stayed behind in Philippi for seven years, rejoining Paul at the end of the third missionary journey in Macedonia. He traveled with Paul to Troas, Jerusalem and Caesarea, where Paul was imprisoned for two years (20:5-21:18). While in Caesarea, Luke may have researched the material that he used in his Gospel. Afterward, Luke accompanied Paul on his journey to Rome (27:1-28:16). Especially beloved in Luke's Gospel are the stories of the Good Samaritan (10:29-37), the Prodigal Son (15:11-32), the Rich Man and Lazarus (16:19-31), and the Pharisee and the Tax Collector (18:9-14). Only Luke provides a detailed account of Christ's birth (2:1-20) and the Canticles of Mary (1:46-55), Zechariah (1:68-79), and Simeon (2:29-32). To show how Christ continued His work in the early Church through the Apostles Luke also penned the Acts of the Apostles. Over one-third of the New Testament comes from the hand of the Evangelist, St. Luke.

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

Looking forward to the Fifth Sunday in Angels' Tide

23 October 2016

Hymns:

- LSB #419 Savior, When in Dust to Thee
- LSB #572 In the Shattered Bliss of Eden
- LSB #579 The Law of God Is Good and Wise
- LSB #611 Chief of Sinners Though I Be
- LSB #726 Evening and Morning
- LSB #741 Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense
- LSB #745 In God, My Faithful God

Genesis 4:1-15: Cain murders his brother, Abel, and is driven from the Lord.

2 Timothy 4:6-18: St. Paul anticipates, in faith, the end of his life & ministry.

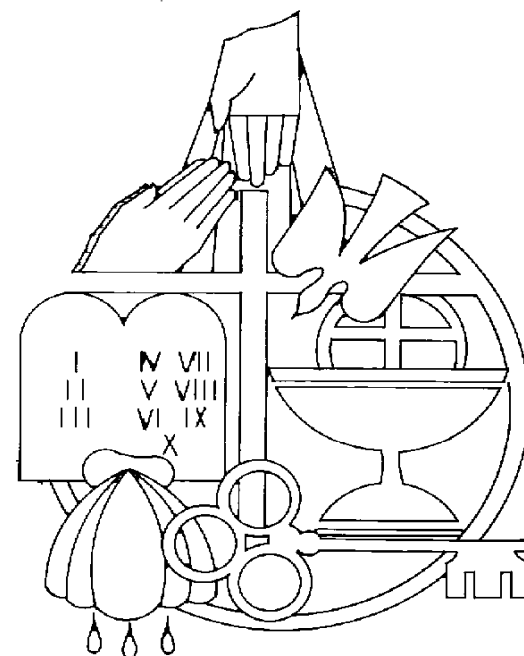
St. Luke 18:9-17: The Parable of the prideful pharisee and penitent publican.

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✚ **DAILY CATECHESIS ON THE WAY** ✚

TO AND FROM EMMAUS WITH JESUS

✚ **THE FOURTH 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)*

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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:

All those who have suffered loss in Florida and along the coast in recent storms; The church and people of Ethiopia in the midst of severe political unrest; and Nicholai & Hannah Stuckwisch, as they have begun their married life together.

[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 St. Ignatius of Antioch, Pastor and Martyr Monday, 17 October

Ignatius was the bishop of Antioch (in Syria) at the beginning of the second century, and an early Christian martyr. Near the end of the reign of the Roman emperor Trajan (A.D. 98–117), Ignatius was arrested, taken in chains to Rome, and eventually thrown to the wild beasts in the arena. On the way to Rome, he wrote letters to the Christians at Ephesus, Magnesia, Tralles,

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*]:

(*Tuesday, 18 October*): Collect for the Feast of St. Luke, the Evangelist:

Almighty God, our Father, Your blessed Son called Luke the physician to be an Evangelist and physician of the soul. Grant that the healing medicine of the Gospel and the Sacraments may put to flight the diseases of our souls, that with willing hearts we may ever love and serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. (Amen)

Collect for the Fourth Week in Angels' Tide:

O Lord, almighty and everlasting God, You have commanded us to pray and have promised to hear us. Mercifully grant that Your Holy Spirit may direct and govern our hearts in all things, that we may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of Your name; 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.*

The Fourth Week in Angels' Tide

16–22 October 2016

This Week in the Church Year

Though faith comes before God in humble repentance, it also clings tenaciously to His Word and to His promises, refusing to let go. The voice of faith is a confession of all that God has said and done, on the one hand, and persistent prayer for His promised grace and mercy and divine providence, on the other hand. As Jacob wrestled with the Angel of the Lord throughout the night, so does the same Lord—Jesus Christ—encourage you to pray at all times and not to lose hope. Even when all is dark, your need and fear are great, and the future seems hopeless, the Lord urges you to pray with confidence in Him.

Emphasis: Faith Clings to the Word of God in Persistent Prayer

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

Psalms	<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
<i>Morning</i>	110, 150	62, 145	13, 92, 147:1–11	146, 96:10–13	116, 147:12–20	85, 148	61, 149
<i>Evening</i>	66, 23	73, 8	36, 5	132, 134	26, 130	25, 40	138, 98

**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. Luke 18:7~8

God will bring about justice for His elect who cry out to Him day and night. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?

Readings for the Fourth Week in Angels' Tide:

Sunday, 16 October 2016

Deuteronomy 14:1–2, 22–23, 14:28—15:15; St. Matthew 13:24–43

Monday, 17 October 2016 (St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr)

Deuteronomy 15:19—16:22; St. Matthew 13:44–58

Tuesday, 18 October 2016 (The Feast of St. Luke, the Evangelist)

Deuteronomy 17:1–20; St. Matthew 14:1–21

(Isaiah 35:5–8; 2 Timothy 4:5–18; and St. Luke 10:1–9)

Wednesday, 19 October 2016

Deuteronomy 18:1–22; St. Matthew 14:22–36

Thursday, 20 October 2016

Deuteronomy 19:1–20; St. Matthew 15:1–20

Friday, 21 October 2016

Deuteronomy 20:1–20; St. Matthew 15:21–39

Saturday, 22 October 2016

Deuteronomy 21:1–23; St. Matthew 16:1–12

O Lord, have mercy on us.

Thanks be to God.

The Catechism: The Conclusion of the Ten Commandments

What does God say about all these Commandments?

He says: “I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate Me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love Me and keep My Commandments.” (Exodus 20:5–6)

What does this mean?

God threatens to punish all who break these Commandments. Therefore, we should fear His wrath and not do anything against them. But He promises grace and every blessing to all who keep these Commandments. Therefore, we should also love and trust in Him and gladly do what He commands.

The Hymns of the Week

“I TRUST, O LORD, YOUR HOLY NAME”

LSB #734

[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.