

1 **Invocation** *make the sign of the cross and say...*

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

2 **The Apostles' Creed**

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 .

3 **The Lord's Prayer**

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 and ever. Amen.

4 **Morning or Evening Prayer**

Morning. I thank You, my heavenly
Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear
Son, that You have kept me this night
from all harm and danger; and I pray that
You would keep me this day also from
sin and every evil, that all my doings and
life may please You. For into Your hands
I commend myself, my body and soul,
and all things. Let Your holy angel be
with me, that the evil foe may have no
power over me. Amen.

Evening. I thank You, my heavenly
Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear
Son, that You have graciously kept me
this day; and I pray that You would
forgive me all my sins where I have done
wrong, and graciously keep me this night.
For into Your hands I commend myself,
my body and soul, and all things. Let
Your holy angel be with me, that the evil
foe may have no power over me. Amen.

5 Mealtime Blessing and then afterwards Returning Thanks

Blessing before meal

“The eyes of all look to You, [O LORD,] and You give them their food at the proper time. You open Your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing.” (Ps. 145: 15–16)

Lord God, heavenly Father, bless us and these Your gifts which we receive from Your bountiful goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Returning Thanks after meal

“Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good. His love endures forever. [He] gives food to every creature. He provides food for the cattle and for the young ravens when they call. His pleasure is not in the strength of the horse, nor His delight in the legs of a man; the LORD delights in those who fear Him, who put their hope in His unfailing love.” (Ps. 136:1, 25; 147:9–11)

We thank You, Lord God, heavenly Father, for all Your benefits, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen

6 Pray the Psalms

General Wk 4	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	108, 150	62, 145	12, 146	96, 147:1-11	116, 147:12-20	84, 148	63, 149
Evening	66, 23	73, 9	36, 7	132, 134	26, 130	25, 40	138, 98

7 Verse for Upcoming Sunday: Psalm 147:2–3

Alleluia. The Lord builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel. He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. Alleluia..

8 Daily Lectionary Readings *(from LSB Daily Lectionary)*

references in italics are optional additional readings

August 9 1 Samuel 25:1–22; 1 Cor 3:1–23

August 10 1 Samuel 25:23–44; 1 Cor 4:1–21

August 11 1 Samuel 26:1–25 (*1 Samuel 27:1–28:21*); Cor 5:1–13

August 12 1 Samuel 28:3–25 (*1 Samuel 29:1–30:30*); 1 Cor 6:1–20

August 13 1 Samuel 31:1–13; 1 Cor 7:1–24

August 142 Samuel 1:1–27; 1 Cor 7:25–40

August 152 Samuel 5:1–25; 1 Cor 8:1–13

August 162 Samuel 6:1–19; 1 Cor 9:1–23

9 **The Collect for Upcoming Sunday**

Proper 15 Almighty and everlasting Father, You give Your children many blessings even though we are undeserving. In every trial and temptation grant us steadfast confidence in Your loving-kindness and mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

10 **Catechism Portion for the Week**

The First Article (Part 3) of the Apostles’ Creed – In Matthew 14 we read of Jesus feeding a great crowd. In the account we learn that there were five thousand men. This is not even counting women and children! And Jesus miraculously did this with five loaves and two fish! Not only is this a miracle, it is a demonstration of our heavenly Father’s generosity. It is abundant! And this abundant generosity only serves to illustrate in dramatic fashion how God generously supplies us every day. This daily provision is no less miraculous! For after all, do we come up with seeds and plants? Did we create the animals and fish? Everything on our daily tables has its source from God’s almighty hand. None of us is self-sufficient. We each receive life and support from outside ourselves. As Christians, we confess that every good thing, even the seemingly insignificant, comes to us as an undeserved gift from God.

11 **Portion of the Catechism and Luther’s Explanation**

The First Article
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

What does this mean for us?
I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them.
He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil.
All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him.

This is most certainly true.

12

Prayer Based on the Portion of the Catechism

Prayer based on the First Article (Part 3) of the Apostles' Creed - Heavenly Father, out of Your fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, You have created me and endowed me with all that I have in this body and life, and You continue to defend me from all danger and guard and protect me from all evil. Receive now my thanks and praise for all of Your gifts, and shape my life to serve and obey You in the callings which You have given me; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen. [from Luther's Small Catechism: with explanation; Concordia Pub, pg. 145]

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Intercessory Prayer

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| ✝ For Aimee Blunt with early detection of cancer. | ✝ sister) recovering from a broken leg. |
| ✝ For the Bev Kuehn and family mourning the passing of Ron Kuehn. | ✝ For Butch Fisher for his upcoming treatments for stomach cancer. |
| ✝ For Carolyn Webber (Mary Bartos' | |

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Upcoming Sunday Lessons and Selected Hymn

For August 16, 2026, 12th Sunday after Pentecost (Pr. 15): **Isaiah 56:1, 6-8** "My house ... a house of prayer for all peoples." **Psalms 67** "Let all the peoples praise You!" **Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32** "God has consigned all ... that He may have mercy on all."; **Matthew 15:21-28** Jesus heals.

653 In Christ There Is No East or West: *stnz 1* In Christ there is no east or west, In Him no south or north, But one great fellowship of love Throughout the whole wide earth. *stnz 2* With God there is no tribe or race; In Him we all are one. He loves us as His children through Our faith in His dear Son. *stnz 3* So, brothers, sisters, praise His name Who died to set us free From sin, division, hate, and shame, From spite and enmity! *stnz 4* Join hands, disciples of the faith, Whate'er your race may be; Who serves my Father as His child Is surely kin to me. *stnz 5* In Christ now meet both east and west; In Him meet south and north. All Christian souls are one in Him Throughout the whole wide earth. Text (sts. 1, 4-5): John Oxenham, 1852-1941, alt.; (st. 2): Mark A. Jeske, 1952; (st. 3): Michael A. Perry, 1942-96 Text (sts. 1, 4-5): Public domain Text (st. 2): © 1993 Mark A. Jeske; (st. 3): © 1982 The Jubilate Group, admin. Hope Publishing Co. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 130404864