

GRACE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

THE FAMILY ALTAR — *God's Word at Home*The Fourth Sunday after Easter: April 28 through May 4, 2024

Daily Readings for the Week:

Sunday	Psalm 37:1-9	Leviticus 20:1-16, 22-27	Luke 11:37-54
Monday	Psalm 31:1-5	Leviticus 21:1-24	Luke 12:1-12
Tuesday	Psalm 127	Leviticus 23:1-22	Luke 12:13-34
Wednesday	Psalm 116:12-19	Leviticus 23:23-44	Luke 12:35-53
Thursday	Psalm 52	Leviticus 24:1-23	Luke 12:54-13:17
Friday	Psalm 119:33-40	Leviticus 26:1-20	Luke 13:18-35
Saturday	Psalm 63:1-5, 8-11	Leviticus 26:21-33, 39-44	Luke 14:1-24

Catechism Reading for the Week:

The Lord's Prayer

What is the Fourth Petition? Give us this day our daily bread.

What does this mean? God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.

What is meant by daily bread? Daily bread includes everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, home, land, animals, money, goods, a devout husband or wife, devout children, devout workers, devout and faithful rulers, good government, good weather, peace, health, self-control, good reputation, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.

Bible Verse for the Week:

In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world (John 16:33).

Collect for the Week:

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Remember in Your Prayers:

those who are sick: Jillian Chapman, Kathie Musson, James Ewald, Connie Gremel, Paul Hodgkinson, Michael Mossner, Susan Pfund, Amy Peterson, Carmella D'Addezio, Deanna Reinbold, Vicki Reinbold, Julie Louis, Laurie Long, Elaine, Don Wendland

those recovering: Winston Reinbold, Patricia Starkey, Melissa Averill, Ruth Ann Kaijala, Kathy Rivard

those women with child: Chelsea Worden

those who are shut in: Jean Adams, John & Ruth Ann Kaijala, Marge Montgomery, Lillian Wheeler

Hymn of the Month:

Like The Golden Sun Ascending TLH 207

1 Like the golden sun ascending,
Breaking through the gloom of night,
On the earth his glory spending
So that darkness takes to flight,
Thus my Jesus from the grave
And Death's dismal, dreadful cave
Rose triumphant Easter morning
At the early purple dawning.

2 Thanks to Thee, O Christ victorious!
Thanks to Thee, O Lord of Life!
Death hath now no power o'er us,
Thou hast conquered in the strife.
Thanks because Thou didst arise
And hast opened Paradise!
None can fully sing the glory
Of the resurrection story.

3 Though I be by sin o'ertaken,
Though I lie in helplessness,
Though I be by friends forsaken
And must suffer sore distress,
Though I be despised, contemned,
And by all the world condemned,
Though the dark grave yawn before me,
Yet the light of hope shines o'er me.

4 Thou hast died for my transgression, All my sins on Thee were laid; Thou hast won for me salvation, On the cross my debt was paid. From the grave I shall arise And shall meet Thee in the skies. Death itself is transitory; I shall lift my head in glory.

5 Grant me grace, O blessed Savior,
And Thy Holy Spirit send
That my walk and my behavior
May be pleasing to the end;
That I may not fall again
Into death's grim pit and pain,
Whence by grace Thou hast retrieved me
And from which Thou hast relieved me.

6 For the joy Thy advent gave me,
For Thy holy, precious Word;
For Thy Baptism, which doth save me,
For Thy blest Communion board;
For Thy death, the bitter scorn,
For Thy resurrection morn,
Lord, I thank Thee and extol Thee,
And in heaven I shall behold Thee.

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