

GRACE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

THE FAMILY ALTAR – *God's Word at Home*The Fourth Sunday in Lent: March 30, 2025 through April 5, 2025

Daily Readings for the Week:

Sunday	Psalm 60:1, 9-12	Gen. 41:28-57	Mark 11:20-33
Monday	Psalm 3	Gen. 42:1-34, 38	Mark 12:1-12
Tuesday	Psalm 37:16-20	Gen. 43:1-28	Mark 12:13-27
Wednesday	Psalm 26:1-7	Gen. 44:1-18	Mark 12:28-44
Thursday	Psalm 82	Gen. 45:1-20, 24-28	Mark 13:1-23
Friday	Psalm 77:11-15	Gen. 47:1-31	Mark 13:24-37
Saturday	Psalm 44:1-4	Gen. 49:29-50:7, 14-26	Mark 14:1-11

Catechism Reading for the Week:

The Sacrament of the Altar

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."

Bible Verse for the Week:

For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit (1 Peter 3:18).

Collect for the Week:

Grant, we beseech You, almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of Your grace may be mercifully relieved; 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: Connie Gremel, Paul Hodgkinson, Susan Pfund, Carmella D'Addezio, Deanna Reinbold, Carson Warren, Gary Hecht, Mark Rudey, Dennis, Jameson Doud, Renee Hecht, Sue Reed, Leslie Reinbold, Reanna Wilkersan, Mary Alice, Tammy Bills, Sandy D'Addezio

those recovering: Melissa Averill, Gordon Bigham, Amy, Brandon Brinks, Carla those who are shut in: Jean Adams, John & Ruth Ann Kaijala, Marge Montgomery, Don Carpenter, Patricia Starkey

Hymn of the Week:

1 Jesus, priceless treasure,

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Fount of purest pleasure,
Truest friend to me,
Ah, how long in anguish
Shall my spirit languish,
Yearning, Lord, for Thee?
Thou art mine,
O Lamb divine!
I will suffer naught to hide Thee;
Naught I ask beside Thee.

2 In Thine arms I rest me;
Foes who would molest me
Cannot reach me here.
Though the earth be shaking,
Ev'ry heart be quaking,
Jesus calms my fear.
Lightnings flash
And thunders crash;
Yet, though sin and hell assail me,
Jesus will not fail me.

3 Satan, I defy thee;
Death, I now decry thee;
Fear, I bid thee cease.
World, thou shalt not harm me
Nor thy threats alarm me
While I sing of peace.
God's great pow'r
Guards ev'ry hour;
Earth and all its depths adore Him,
Silent bow before Him.

4 Hence, all earthly treasure!
Jesus is my pleasure,
Jesus is my choice.
Hence, all empty glory!
Naught to me thy story
Told with tempting voice.
Pain or loss,
Or shame or cross,
Shall not from my Savior move me
Since He deigns to love me.

5 Evil world, I leave thee; Thou canst not deceive me, Thine appeal is vain. Sin that once did blind me, Get thee far behind me, Come not forth again. Past thy hour, O pride and pow'r; Sinful life, thy bonds I sever, Leave thee now forever.

6 Hence, all fear and sadness!
For the Lord of gladness,
Jesus, enters in.
Those who love the Father,
Though the storms may gather,
Still have peace within.
Yea, whate'er
I here must bear,
Thou art still my purest pleasure,
Jesus, priceless treasure!