

Commemoration of St. Laurence, Deacon and Martyr

Thursday, 10 August

Early in the third century, Laurence, most likely born in Spain, made his way to Rome. There he was appointed chief of the seven deacons and was given the responsibility to manage church property and finances. The emperor at the time, who thought that the church had valuable things worth confiscating, ordered Laurence to produce the “treasures of the church.” Laurence brought before the emperor the poor whose lives had been touched by Christian charity. He was then jailed and eventually executed in the year 258 by being roasted on a gridiron. His martyrdom left a deep impression on the young church. Almost immediately, the date of His death, 10 August, became a permanent fixture on the early commemorative calendar of the Church.

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

Looking forward to the First Sunday in Martyrs’ Tide

13 August 2017

Hymns:

- LSB #607 From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee
- LSB #666 O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe
- LSB #715 Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me
- LSB #717 Eternal Father, Strong to Save
- LSB #760 What God Ordains Is Always Good
- LSB #765 God Moves in a Mysterious Way
- LSB #792 New Songs of Celebration Render
- LSB #947 All Glory Be to God on High

Job 38:4–18: *The Lord God alone is the Creator of the heavens and the earth. His wisdom and power, His knowledge and divine Providence are beyond all that we could ever comprehend or imagine. It is not for us to question or debate His will or His works. Yet, we trust His love and mercy, for the sake of Christ Jesus, in whom His good and gracious will is perfectly revealed.*

Romans 10:5–17: *It is by faith alone, in the Word of God, that we are righteous and live. Such faith not only clings to the Word alone; it comes by the hearing of that Word, which is of Christ alone. Thus do we hear the Word with our ears; we believe the Word with our heart; and we confess the Word with our lips.*

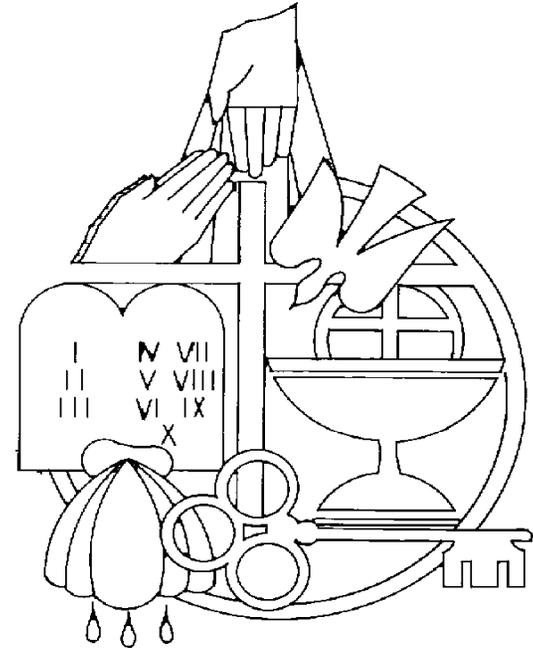
St. Matthew 14:22–33: *As true God, Christ Jesus is the Lord by whom all things were made; therefore, the Creation bows before Him and obeys His command. He graciously comes near to us in the flesh, however, in order to bring us to faith, and to strengthen our faith, with His Word of forgiveness. Kyrie eleison!*

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✚ DAILY CATECHESIS ON THE WAY ✚

TO AND FROM EMMAUS WITH JESUS

✚ THE SIXTH WEEK OF APOSTLES’ 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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- 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:

Ella Elizabeth Rodriguez, with thanksgiving for her Holy Baptism, and that the Lord would guard and keep her in His Word and faith, unto the life everlasting;

Richard Craig, one of our Emmaus shut-ins, as he has been hospitalized;

Michael & Ines Jindra, Nathan, Lucas, and Timmy, as they prepare to move;

Aaron Seyboldt and Alexis Tevlin, as they are engaged to be married; and

Eleanor Harrison & Daniel Bliese, as they are to be married in September.

[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.

[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.

[The Collects of the Week, Intercessions for each day of the week, and Special Petitions]:

Collect for the Sixth Week of Apostles' Tide:

Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; 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.

The Sixth Week of Apostles' Tide

6-12 August 2017

This Week in the Church Year

Just as the eyes of all wait upon the Lord, and He gives them their meat in due season; and as He opens up His hand to satisfy the desire of every living thing, so does He also provide for the nurture and sustenance of faith unto the life everlasting. In the Feeding of the Five Thousand, Jesus catechizes His disciples to believe and trust His Providence for both body and soul. The Evangelists record the miracle with language echoing the Last Supper, thereby signifying that Christ distributes His true body and blood, under the bread and wine, by the hand of His servants, for us Christians to eat and to drink.

Emphasis: Christ, the Living Bread, Feeds His Dear Children

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 136:1-9 (and/or one or more of the appointed Psalms listed below)

Psalms	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	103, 150	5, 145:1-9	42, 146	89:1-18; 147:1-12	97, 147:13-21	51, 148	104, 149
Evening	117, 139	82, 29	102, 133	1, 33	16, 62	142, 65	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: Psalm 78:25

So mortals ate the bread of angels; He provided for them food enough.

Readings for the Sixth Week of Apostles' Tide:

Sunday, 6 August 2017

1 Samuel 20:1–23; Acts 28:16–31

Monday, 7 August 2017

1 Samuel 20:24–42; 1 Corinthians 1:1–25

Tuesday, 8 August 2017

1 Samuel 24:1–22; 1 Corinthians 1:26—2:16

Wednesday, 9 August 2017

1 Samuel 25:1–22; 1 Corinthians 3:1–23

Thursday, 10 August 2017 (St. Laurence, Deacon & Martyr)

1 Samuel 25:23–44; 1 Corinthians 4:1–21

Friday, 11 August 2017

1 Samuel 26:1–25; 1 Corinthians 5:1–13

Saturday, 12 August 2017

1 Samuel 28:3–25; 1 Corinthians 6:1–20

O Lord, have mercy on us.

Thanks be to God.

The Catechism: Christian Questions & Answers (continued)

After Individual Confession and instruction in the Ten Commandments, the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Sacraments of Baptism and the Holy Supper, the Pastor may ask, or one may ask himself:

9. *What has Christ done for you that you trust in Him?*

He died for me and shed His blood for me on the Cross for the forgiveness of sins.

10. *Did the Father also die for you?*

He did not. The Father is God only, as is the Holy Spirit; but the Son is both true God and true Man. He died for me and shed His blood for me.

11. *How do you know this?*

From the Holy Gospel, from the Words instituting the Sacrament, and by His body and blood given me as a pledge in the Sacrament.

12. *What are the Words of Institution?*

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: 'Take, eat; this is My Body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.'

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: 'Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My Blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.'

13. *Do you believe, then, that the true body and blood of Christ are in the Sacrament?*

Yes, I believe it.

14. *What convinces you to believe this?*

**The Word of Christ: 'Take, eat, this is My Body.'
'Drink of it, all of you, this is My Blood.'**

15. *What should we do when we eat His body and drink His blood, and in this way receive His pledge?*

We should remember and proclaim His death and the shedding of His blood, as He taught us: 'This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.'

Note: These questions and answers are no child's play, but are drawn up with great earnestness of purpose by the venerable and pious Dr. Luther for both young and old. Let each one take heed and likewise consider it a serious matter; for Saint Paul writes to the Galatians in chapter six: 'Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked.'

The Hymns of the Week

"O LIVING BREAD FROM HEAVEN"

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