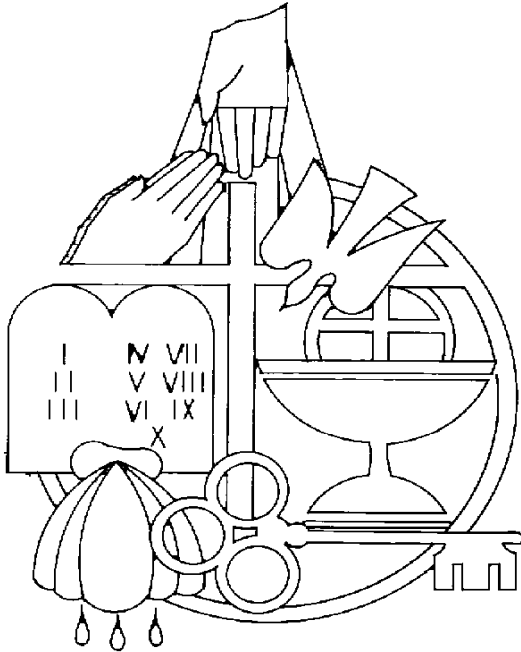


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✚ **DAILY CATECHESIS ON THE WAY** ✚

TO AND FROM EMMAUS WITH JESUS

✚ **THE WEEK OF THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT** ✚

“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)



This Week in the Church Year

When Israel sinned by speaking against God and against Moses, the Lord called them to repentance by sending fiery serpents to bite them, so that many of the people died. When they confessed their sin, the Lord provided a means of rescue from death. He had Moses make a bronze serpent on a pole, and He promised that anyone who looked to it would live. So did God send His Son into the world, in the likeness of our sin and death, and lifted Him up on the pole of the Cross, that whoever looks to Him in faith may have eternal life. For He has come into the world, not for condemnation, but that the world might be saved through Him. Though you were dead in your trespasses and sins, God loves you and calls you to repentance, faith, and life in the crucified Lord Jesus Christ.

Emphasis: Christ Is Lifted Up in Death, that We May Look to Him and Live

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 107:1–9 (and/or one or more of the appointed daily Psalms below)

<i>Psalms</i>	<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
<i>Morning</i>	84, 150	145, 119:73–80	34, 146	5, 147:1–11	38, 147:12–20	22, 148	43, 149
<i>Evening</i>	42, 32	121, 6	25, 91	27, 51	126, 102	107, 130	31, 143

**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. John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.

Readings for the Week of the Fourth Sunday in Lent:

Sunday, 11 March 2018

Genesis 41:28–57; St. Mark 11:20–33

Monday, 12 March 2018

Genesis 42:1–34; St. Mark 12:1–12

Tuesday, 13 March 2018

Genesis 43:1–28; St. Mark 12:13–27

Wednesday, 14 March 2018

Genesis 44:1–18, 32–34; St. Mark 12:28–44

Thursday, 15 March 2018

Genesis 45:1–20, 24–28; St. Mark 13:1–23

Friday, 16 March 2018

Genesis 47:1–31; St. Mark 13:24–37

Saturday, 17 March 2018 (*St. Patrick, Missionary to Ireland*)

Genesis 49:29—50:7, 14–26; St. Mark 14:1–11

O Lord, have mercy on us.

Thanks be to God.

The Catechism: The Sacrament of Holy Baptism, Part IVa

What does such baptizing with water indicate?

It indicates that the Old Adam in us should by daily contrition and repentance be drowned and die with all sins and evil desires, and that a New Man should daily emerge and arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.

The Hymn of the Week

“THE GOSPEL SHOWS THE FATHER’S GRACE”

LSB #580

[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 Collect of the Week, Intercessions for each day of the week, and Special Petitions*]:

Collect for the Week of the Fourth Sunday in Lent:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, 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.*
- 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:

Pastor Stuckwisch and the other members of our LCMS District Board of Directors, as they are meeting in Fort Wayne this Thursday;

Gary Bryer (a friend of Steve Kronewitter), with a neurological disorder; and

Jerry Glass (a close friend of the Makowski's), with advanced lung cancer.

[*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. Patrick, Missionary to Ireland

Saturday, 17 March

*Patrick is one of the best-known of the missionary saints. Born to a Christian family in Britain around the year 389, he was captured as a teenager by raiders, taken to Ireland, and forced to serve as a herdsman. After six years he escaped and found his way to a monastery community in France. Ordained a bishop in 432, he made his way back to Ireland, where he spent the rest of his long life spreading the Gospel and organizing Christian communities. He strongly defended the doctrine of the Holy Trinity in a time when it was not popular to do so. His literary legacy includes his autobiography, *Confessio*, and several prayers and hymns that are still used in the church today. Patrick died around the year 466.*

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

Hymns:

- LSB #420 Christ, the Life of All the Living
- LSB #430 My Song Is Love Unknown
- LSB #450 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded
- LSB #451 Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted
- LSB #454 Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle
- LSB #598 Once in the Blest Baptismal Waters
- LSB #756 Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me

Jeremiah 31:31–34: *Though God's people have forsaken Him, time and again, He promises to establish a New Covenant with them. He will put His Word upon their hearts, and He shall be their God; they shall be His people. In particular, He will forgive their iniquity, and their sins He will remember no more. This beautiful New Covenant has been established in the Blood of Christ, shed for us and for all upon the Cross, and poured out for us in the Holy Communion.*

Hebrews 5:1–10: *Though Christ Jesus is the very Son of God, as true Man He has voluntarily taken upon Himself all our sins and weaknesses, all our griefs and sorrows. He has made atonement for our sins, by His sacrifice upon the Cross, by His innocent suffering and death; and He has reconciled us to God. In all of this, He is our great High Priest, who goes before us in perfect faith.*

St. Mark 10:32–45: *The true Glory of God is manifest in the humble service and self-sacrifice of Christ, wherein His Kingdom comes. James and John, therefore, in their request to share the glory of Jesus in His Kingdom, have failed to understand that it is the glory of the Cross; that Jesus the Christ shall reign from His Cross. Even so, He does share this glory of His Cross, not only with the Apostles but also with us, by grace, in the waters of Holy Baptism and in the Cup of Salvation, which is the New Testament (or Covenant) in His blood.*