

# At Home In The Word

## "What's Most Important"

Week Of December 28- January 3, 2021  
Zion Lutheran Church, El Paso, Texas

*Repetition yields memorization, contemplation, and deeper understanding. Draw from these scriptures, prayers, catechetical materials, and hymn(s) throughout your week of personal and family devotion, prayer, or homeschool family instruction. Then let them resonate in new ways as we all gather together in worship on Sunday.*

### MEMORY VERSE

Ephesians 1:3

"God has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing"

### MEMORY PSALM

Psalms 119:97-104

<sup>97</sup>Oh how I love your law!  
It is my meditation all the day.  
<sup>98</sup>Your commandment makes me wiser than my enemies,  
for it is ever with me.  
<sup>99</sup>I have more understanding than all my teachers,  
for your testimonies are my meditation.  
<sup>100</sup>I understand more than the aged,  
for I keep your precepts.  
<sup>101</sup>I hold back my feet from every evil way,  
in order to keep your word.  
<sup>102</sup>I do not turn aside from your just decrees,  
for you have taught me.  
<sup>103</sup>How sweet are your words to my taste,  
sweeter than honey to my mouth!  
<sup>104</sup>Through your precepts I get understanding;  
therefore I hate every false way.

### OLD TESTAMENT

(Solomon prays to God for the gift of wisdom.)

1 Kings 3:4-15

### EPISTLE

(We are gifted with God's spiritual blessings.)

Ephesians 1:3-14

### HOLY GOSPEL

(The boy Jesus is found in the temple at Jerusalem.)

Luke 2:40-52

### THE NINTH COMMANDMENT

"You shall not covet your neighbor's house." *What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not scheme to get our neighbor's inheritance or house, or get it in a way which only appears right, but help and be of service to him in keeping it.

### THE TENTH COMMANDMENT

"You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor." *What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not entice or force away our neighbor's wife, workers, or animals, or turn them against him, but urge them to stay and do their duty.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

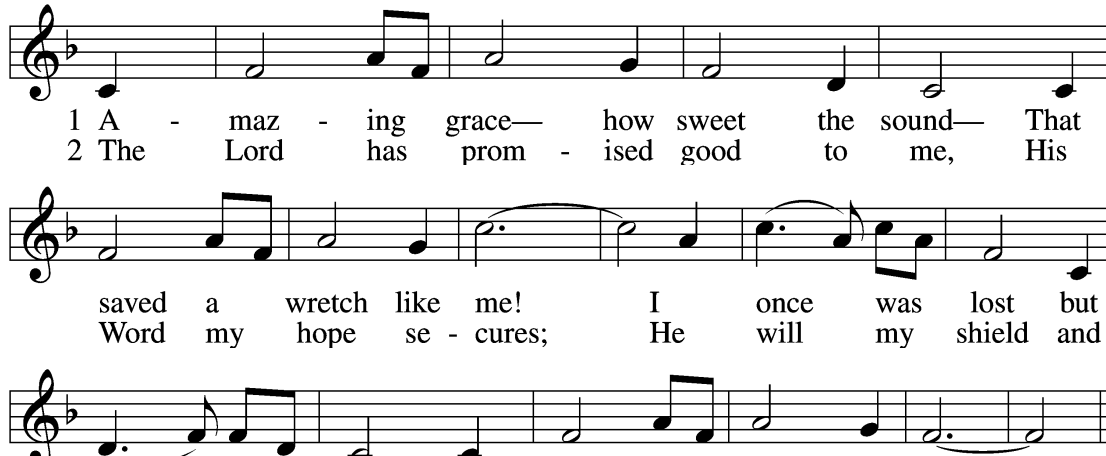
Almighty Father, You have shined on us the new Light of Your Word made flesh, who lived among us. Cause us to find in Jesus, this Light, who and what is really important in life, and grant us Your blessing as we follow Him

## 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.**

## GOSPEL HYMN

"Amazing Grace" LSB 744

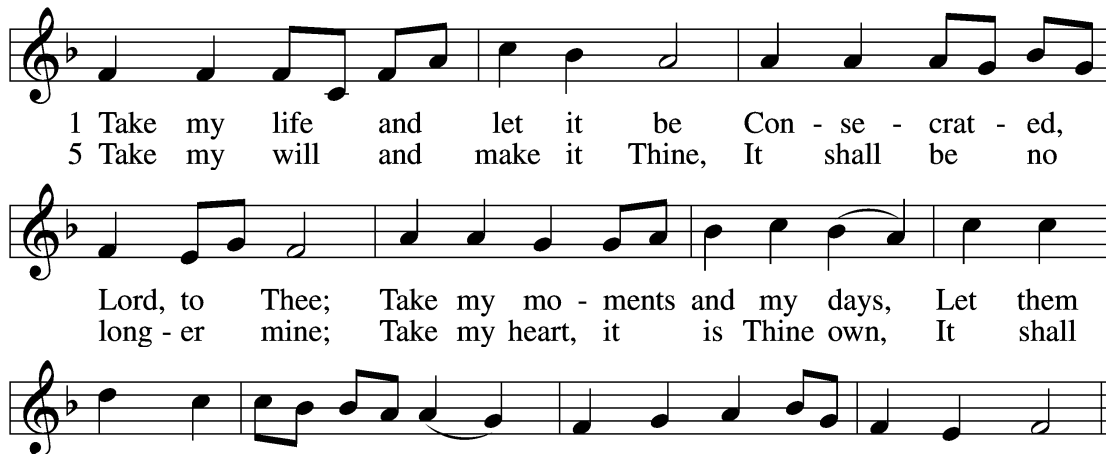


1 A - maz - ing grace— how sweet the sound— That  
2 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His  
saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but  
Word my hope se - cures; He will my shield and  
now am found, Was blind but now I see!  
por - tion be As long as life en - dures.

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## PRAYER HYMN

"Take My Life and Let It Be" v.1-3,5-5 LSB 784



1 Take my life and let it be Con - se - crat - ed,  
5 Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no  
Lord, to Thee; Take my mo - ments and my days, Let them  
long - er mine; Take my heart, it is Thine own, It shall  
flow in cease - less praise, Let them flow in cease - less praise.  
be Thy roy - al throne, It shall be Thy roy - al throne.

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