

At Home In The Word

"God's Children Now"

Week Of April 12-18, 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

1 John 3:2

"Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared"

MEMORY PSALM

Psalm 16:11

You make known to me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy;
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

CATECHISM

The Lord's Prayer

"Our Father who art in heaven." - *What does this mean?* With these words God tenderly invites us to believe that He is our true Father and that we are His true children, so that with all boldness and confidence we may ask Him as dear children ask their dear father.

The Fifth Commandment

"Honor your father and your mother." *What does this mean?* - We should fear and love God so that we do not despise or anger our parents and other authorities, but honor them, serve and obey them, love and cherish them.

FIRST READING

(Peter preaches salvation through Christ.) Acts 3:1-21

EPISTLE READING

(We are God's children now.) 1 John 3:1-7

GOSPEL READING

(Amid disciples' doubts, the resurrected Christ affirms the fulfillment of God's Word.) Luke 24:36-49

PRAYER

O almighty and eternal God, You have assured us of the completion of our forgiveness and new life in You through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus. You call us Your children through the waters of Baptism and give us eyes to see Your love for us in Your only-begotten Son. Give us the will to show forth in our lives the faith we profess with our lips; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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.

MORNING PRAYER

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

OPENING HYMN

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives" v.1-3,5 Lutheran Service Book 461



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives; What com - fort
5 He lives to si - lence all my fears; He lives to



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, He lives, who
wipe a - way my tears; He lives to calm my



once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head.
trou - bled heart; He lives all bless - ings to im - part.

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia" v.1,5 LSB 466



1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia.
5 Christ has a - ris - en; He sets us free;



Re - joice and praise Him, al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, to Him prais - es be.



For our Re - deem - er burst from the tomb,
Je - sus is liv - ing! Let us all sing;



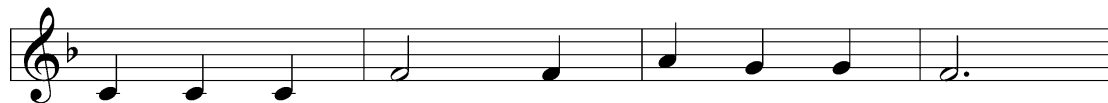
E - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.
He reigns tri - um - phant, heav - en - ly King.

Refrain

Let us sing praise to Him with end - less joy;



Death's fear - ful sting He has come to de - stroy.



Our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!



Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!