

At Home In The Word

"Our Shepherd"

Week Of April 19-25, 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 3:16

"By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us"

MEMORY PSALM

Psalm 23

¹The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. ²He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. ³He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. ⁴Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. ⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. ⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

CATECHISM

The Lord's Prayer, the second petition

"Thy kingdom come." *What does this mean?* - The kingdom of God certainly comes by itself without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may come to us also.

How does God's kingdom come? - God's kingdom comes when our heavenly Father gives us His Holy Spirit, so that by His grace we believe His holy Word and lead godly lives here in time and there in eternity.

FIRST LESSON

(Peter and John witness before the council.) Acts 4:1-12

EPISTLE LESSON

(Love one another.) 1 John 3:16-24

GOSPEL LESSON

(Jesus the Good Shepherd) John 10:11-18

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads;

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

(Martin Luther)

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.

HYMN

"Shepherd of Tender Youth" v.1,3-4 Lutheran Service Book 864



1 Shep - herd of ten - der youth, Guid - ing in
4 O ev - er be our guide, Our shep - herd,



love and truth Through de - vious ways; Christ, our tri -
and our pride, Our staff and song. Je - sus, O



um - phant king, We come Your name to sing
Christ of God, By Your en - dur - ing Word



And here our chil - dren bring To join Your praise.
Lead us where You have trod; Make our faith strong.

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HYMN

"I Am Jesus' Little Lamb" LSB 740



1 I am Je - sus' lit - tle lamb, Ev - er glad at
2 Day by day, at home, a - way, Je - sus is my
3 Who so hap - py as I am, E - ven now the



heart I am; For my Shep - herd gent - ly guides me,
staff and stay. When I hun - ger, Je - sus feeds me,
Shep - herd's lamb? And when my short life is end - ed,



Knows my need and well pro - vides me, Loves me ev - 'ry
In - to pleas - ant pas - tures leads me; When I thirst, He
By His an - gel host at - tend - ed, He shall fold me



day the same, E - ven calls me by my name.
bids me go Where the qui - et wa - ters flow.
to His breast, There with - in His arms to rest.

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