

# At Home In The Word

## "Christ Sustains Us"

Week Of April 26-May 2, 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 4:16

"God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God"

### MEMORY PSALM

Psalms 150

<sup>1</sup>Praise the LORD! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens! <sup>2</sup>Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness! <sup>3</sup>Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp! <sup>4</sup>Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe! <sup>5</sup>Praise him with sounding cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals! <sup>6</sup>Let everything that has breath praise the LORD! Praise the LORD!

### CATECHISM

*The Lord's Prayer, the sixth petition*

"And lead us not into temptation." *What does this mean?* - God tempts no one. We pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us so that the devil, the world, and our sinful nature may not deceive us or mislead us into false belief, despair, and other great shame and vice. Although we are attacked by these things, we pray that we may finally overcome them and win the victory.

*The Lord's Prayer, the seventh petition*

"But deliver us from evil." *What does this mean?* - We pray in this petition, in summary, that our Father in heaven would rescue us from every evil of body and soul, possessions and reputation, and finally, when our last hour comes, give us a blessed end, and graciously take us from this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven.

### FIRST READING

(Philip witnesses about Jesus to the Ethiopian official.) Acts 8:26-40

### EPISTLE

(An exhortation to lives of Christian love) 1 John 4

### HOLY GOSPEL

(Jesus says that He is the vine and His people are the branches.) John 15:1-8

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Risen and ascended Lord, You are the vine, and we are the branches. Apart from You there is no life. By Baptism, You have grafted us into Your gracious life. Cause Your Word to abide in us and make us fruitful to the glory of Your Father, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Lord, our God, for You have shown mercy to all in Christ our Redeemer, the Vine divine. Receive our thanks that as branches of the Vine, we are created to bear fruit. Unite our praises with those of all the faithful who are connected to Christ and join them with the unending praise of the angels and archangels and all the company of heaven.

### 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.**

HYMN

"Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!" sts. 1, ref, 3 LSB 474



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en! Trum - pets re -  
 3 Je - sus the vine, We are the branch - es; Life in the



sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light! Splen - dor, the Lamb, Heav - en for -  
 Spir - it the fruit of the tree; Heav - en to earth, Christ to the



ev - er! Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!  
 peo - ple, Gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.



*Refrain*  
 Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise:



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

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HYMN

"Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven" LSB 477



2 Al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris - en! Death at last has met de - feat:  
 △ 3 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high:



See the an - cient pow'rs of e - vil In con - fu - sion and re - treat;  
 Al - le - lu - ia to the Sav - ior Who has gained the vic - to - ry;



Once He died, and once was bur - ied: Now He lives for - ev - er - more,  
 Al - le - lu - ia to the Spir - it, Fount of love and sanc - ti - ty!



Je - sus Christ, the world's Re - deem - er, Whom we wor - ship and a - dore.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia To the tri - une Maj - es - ty!

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