

# At Home In The Word

## "The Wonderful Way"

Week Of May 1-7, 2023  
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

John 14:6

"I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

### MEMORY PSALM

Psalm 146:9

<sup>9</sup>The LORD watches over the sojourners;  
he upholds the widow and the fatherless,  
but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

### CATECHISM

The Lord's Prayer, sixth and seventh petitions

"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.

"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

(Stephen remains faithful in the midst of death.) Acts 6:1-9; 7:2a, 51-60

### EPISTLE

(Built on Jesus, we are a chosen people.) 1 Peter 2:2-10

### HOLY GOSPEL

(Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life.) John 14:1-14

### PRAYERS

Lord Jesus Christ, You are the cornerstone and foundation upon which Your Church is built. Tear down all that we have built that was built apart from You, and tether us upon Yourself, our Rock and our Redeemer, for You live and reign with the Father 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.

### LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. 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.

## HYMNS

"Christ is Our Cornerstone" Lutheran Service Book (LSB) 912



1 Christ is our cor - ner - stone, On Him a - lone we build;  
2 Here may we gain from heav'n The grace which we im - plore,



With His true saints a - lone The courts of heav'n are filled. On His  
And may that grace, once giv'n, Be with us ev - er - more Un - til



great love Our hopes we place Of pres - ent grace And joys a - bove.  
that day When all the blest To end - less rest Are called a - way.

Text: Latin, c. 8th cent.; tr. John Chandler, 1806–76, alt.; Tune: John Darwall, 1731–89; Text and tune: Public domain

"I'm But a Stranger Here" LSB 748



1 I'm but a strang - er here, Heav'n is my home;  
2 What though the tem - pest rage, Heav'n is my home;  
3 There - fore I mur - mur not, Heav'n is my home;



Earth is a des - ert drear, Heav'n is my home.  
Short is my pil - grim - age, Heav'n is my home;  
What - e'er my earth - ly lot, Heav'n is my home;



Dan - ger and sor - row stand Round me on ev - 'ry hand;  
And time's wild win - try blast Soon shall be o - ver - past;  
And I shall sure - ly stand There at my Lord's right hand;



Heav'n is my fa - ther - land, Heav'n is my home.  
I shall reach home at last, Heav'n is my home.  
Heav'n is my fa - ther - land, Heav'n is my home.

Text: Thomas R. Taylor, 1807–35; Tune: Arthur S. Sullivan, 1842–1900; Text and tune: Public domain

## ADDITIONAL HYMNS

"Come Let Us Praise the Lord" v.1,4 (tune: LSB 912)

"Glory to God" LSB 946

"Christ Be My Leader" LSB 861

"Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated" v.1-2 LSB 784

"Eat This Bread" LSB 638

"How Great Thou Art" LSB 801

"All For Christ I Have Forsaken" LSB 753

"Christ the Eternal Lord" v.1-4 LSB 829