



✠ DAILY PRAYER ✠

Trinity 12
22 - 28 August 2021

Hope Lutheran Church
St. Louis, Missouri

This guide is offered to assist families, individuals, and small groups in the simple forms of daily prayer included in Lutheran Service Book (pages 294-298). Use the form in LSB appropriate for the time of day and follow the weekly resources in this guide for hymns, readings, and prayers. Pray and confess out loud as much from this order as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate.

✠ ORDER FOR PRAYER

Morning	LSB, p. 295	Early Evening	LSB, p. 297
Noon	LSB, p. 296	Close of the Day	LSB, p. 298

✠ HYMN *LSB 545 – Word of God, Come Down on Earth*

✠ SCRIPTURE READING (from **Daily Lectionary**, LSB, pp. 299-304)

	Old Testament	New Testament
Sun.	1 Kings 2:1-27	1 Corinthians 13:1-13
Mon.	1 Kings 3:1-15	2 Corinthians 1:1-22
Tues.	1 Kings 5:1-18	2 Corinthians 1:23-2:17
Wed.	1 Kings 7:51-8:21	2 Corinthians 3:1-18
Thu.	1 Kings 8:22-30, 46-63	2 Corinthians 4:1-18
Fri.	1 Kings 9:1-9, 10:1-13	2 Corinthians 5:1-21
Sat.	1 Kings 11:1-26	2 Corinthians 6:1-18

✠ APOSTLES' CREED – *LSB*, inside back cover

✠ LORD'S PRAYER – *LSB*, inside back cover

✠ PRAYERS

Collect for Trinity 12

Almighty and merciful God, by Your gift alone Your faithful people render true and laudable service. Help us steadfastly to live in this life according to Your promises and finally attain Your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

✠ FESTIVALS & COMMEMORATIONS

24 August – St. Bartholomew, Apostle

27 August – Monica, *Mother of Augustine*

28 August – Augustine of Hippo, *Pastor and Theologian*

29 August – The Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist

✠ CONCLUDING PRAYERS – Order of Prayer in *LSB*

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BOOK OF CONCORD READING

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HEARING GOD'S WORD

Christ must open our ears so that we may hear His Word of life and forgiveness. When we hear God's Word, we have life with Christ. This from the Large Catechism on the Third Commandment (I:91, 92, 98):

For the Word of God is the true holy object above all holy objects. Indeed, it is the only one we Christians know and have. Even if we had the bones of all the saints or all the holy and consecrated vestments gathered together in one pile, they would not help us in the least, for they are all dead things that cannot make anyone holy. But God's Word is the treasure that makes everything holy. By it all the saints have themselves been made holy. At whatever time God's Word is taught, preached, heard, read, or pondered, there the person, the day, and the work is hallowed, not on account of the external work but on account of the Word that makes us all saints....

Remember, then, that you must be concerned not only about hearing the Word, but also about learning it and retaining it. Do not think that it is up to your discretion or that it is an unimportant matter. It is the commandment of God, who will require of you an accounting of how you have heard, learned, and honored his Word.

(Kolb, R. 2000. *The Book of Concord: The Confessions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church*.
Fortress Press: Minneapolis)

LOOKING FORWARD TO NEXT WEEK'S DIVINE SERVICE

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

29 August 2021

This "mini-Bible study" is included for your use in personal devotions or with friends during the coming week as you prepare to hear God's Word next Sunday. The questions provided after each of the Scripture texts are intended for your thought and reflection.

OLD TESTAMENT – **2 Chronicles 28:8-15**

1. Why did the men of Israel take captive 200,000 of their kinsmen from Judah? See verse 9.
2. In verses 10-11, what did the prophet Oded tell these men of Israel to do with the captives? What did the leaders say in verse 13?
3. How did the people of Israel show mercy to the war captives? Also, notice the region mentioned at the end of the reading, for another connection with the Gospel reading.

PSALMODY – **Psalm 32**

1. Read verses 1-5. What makes a person blessed in God's sight? What happens when we try to keep silent regarding our sin? What does God promise to give when we confess our sins?
2. Read verses 6-11. What promises does God give you in these verses?
3. Pray this Psalm every day this week.

EPISTLE – **Galatians 3:15-22**

1. St. Paul is talking about God's covenant with Abraham. Read Genesis 12:1-3 and 15:1-5 learn and review God's covenant.
2. According to St. Paul's inspired interpretation who is Abraham's "Seed"?
3. What purpose does the law serve? Also read 1 Timothy 1:8-11.
4. Do we receive God's inheritance of eternal life by keeping religious rules ("dos" & "don'ts")?

HOLY GOSPEL – **Luke 10:23-37**

1. What question did the lawyer ask Jesus? How have you asked that same kind of question in your life?
2. What was Jesus' answer to the lawyer? To you in His Word?
3. As you read the story that Jesus tells, put yourself in the place of the beaten man. Who is your "Good Samaritan" to help you when sin and death beat you down?
4. What question did the lawyer ask "wanting to justify himself"? What question did Jesus ask the lawyer after the story? How did Jesus turn the question around?
5. How can you be a neighbor to people around you?