

A member of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod

# † Seventh Sunday after Pentecost † July 27, 2025 †



Welcome in the name of Jesus!

We're so glad to have you join us in worship of our Lord! If you are a guest with us today, please stop by the registration book at the back of church.

#### Policy Regarding the Lord's Supper

Faithful to our Lord Jesus and His Word, St. John's practices the Biblical and historical teaching of <u>closed communion</u>. This means that those who commune together are united around a common confession of faith and have been taught to prepare and examine themselves. In love to our Lord and all people, in general only members in good standing of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod (LCMS) and the other worldwide Lutheran Church bodies united and in fellowship with her are invited to the altar. If you have any questions, please speak to Pastor. He would be delighted to answer any questions you may have.

In the Lord's service today: Rev. Jacob Moore, preacher and celebrant Connie Komnick, organist Harrison Pearson, elder

300 E. Gibson St. † New Berlin, IL Sunday School and Bible Study 9:00 AM † Divine Worship 10:00 AM

# Confession and Absolution

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

  Hebrews 10:22
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** Who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 124:8

- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Psalm 32:5

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ⅓ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

  John 20:19-23
- C Amen.

# Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 119:145-149; antiphon: Psalm 50:15



Call upon me in the day of | trouble;\*

I will deliver you, and you shall glo- | rify me.

With my whole heart I cry; answer me, | O Lord! \*

I will keep your | statutes.

I call to you; | save me, \*

that I may observe your testi- | monies.

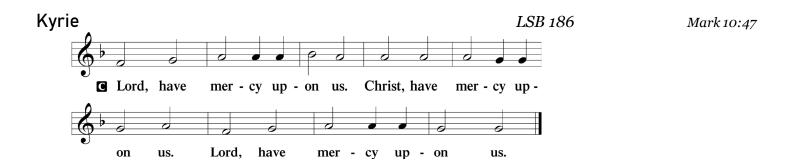
I rise before dawn and | cry for help; \*

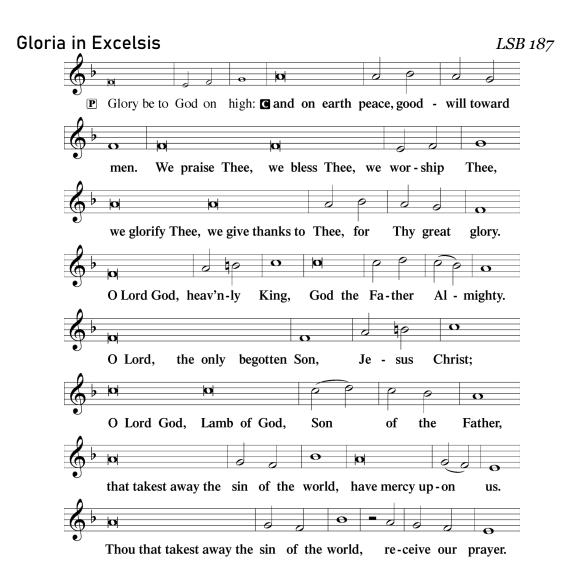
I hope | in your words.

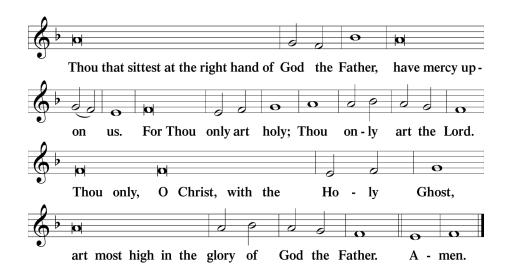
My eyes are awake before the watches | of the night, \*

that I may meditate on your | promise.

Hear my voice according to your | steadfast love; \*
O Lord, according to your justice | give me life.
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning, \*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
Call upon me in the day of | trouble; \*
I will deliver you, and you shall glo- | rify me.







## Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray.

O Lord, let Your merciful ears be attentive to the prayers of Your servants, and by Your Word and Spirit teach us how to pray that our petitions may be pleasing before You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## **Old Testament Reading**

Genesis 18:20-33

<sup>20</sup>Then the Lord said, "Because the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great and their sin is very grave, <sup>21</sup>I will go down to see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me. And if not, I will know."

<sup>22</sup>So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, but Abraham still stood before the Lord. <sup>23</sup>Then Abraham drew near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? <sup>24</sup>Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city. Will you then sweep away the place and not spare it for the fifty righteous who are in it? <sup>25</sup>Far be it from you to do such a thing, to put the righteous to death with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" <sup>26</sup>And the Lord said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will spare the whole place for their sake."

<sup>27</sup>Abraham answered and said, "Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. <sup>28</sup>Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking. Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." <sup>29</sup>Again he spoke to him and said, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." <sup>30</sup>Then he said,

"Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." <sup>31</sup>He said, "Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." <sup>32</sup>Then he said, "Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak again but this once. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it." <sup>33</sup>And the Lord went his way, when he had finished speaking to Abraham, and Abraham returned to his place.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

#### Gradual

Romans 10:15b, 18b, Isaiah 52:7b, alt.



How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the | good news,\* who publish peace and bring good news of sal- | vation.

Their voice has gone out to | all the earth,\* and their words to the ends | of the world.

Epistle Colossians 2:6-19

<sup>6</sup>Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, <sup>7</sup>rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

<sup>8</sup>See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. <sup>9</sup>For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, <sup>10</sup>and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority. <sup>11</sup>In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, <sup>12</sup>having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead. <sup>13</sup>And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, <sup>14</sup>by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. <sup>15</sup>He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

<sup>16</sup>Therefore let no one pass judgment on you in questions of food and drink, or with regard to a festival or a new moon or a Sabbath. <sup>17</sup>These are a shadow of the things to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. <sup>18</sup>Let no one disqualify you, insisting on asceticism and worship of angels, going on in detail about visions, puffed up without reason by his sensuous mind, <sup>19</sup>and not holding fast to the Head, from whom the whole body, nourished and knit together through its joints and ligaments, grows with a growth that is from God.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Alleluia LSB 190



Holy Gospel Luke 11:1-13

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eleventh chapter.



<sup>1</sup>Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." <sup>2</sup>And he said to them, "When you pray, say:

"Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

<sup>3</sup>Give us each day our daily bread,

4and forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us.

And lead us not into temptation."

<sup>5</sup>And he said to them, "Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves, <sup>6</sup>for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him'; <sup>7</sup>and he will answer from within, 'Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything'? <sup>8</sup>I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. <sup>9</sup>And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. <sup>10</sup>For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. <sup>11</sup>What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; <sup>12</sup>Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? <sup>13</sup>If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"







Nicene Creed LSB 206

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
Who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

Children's Message

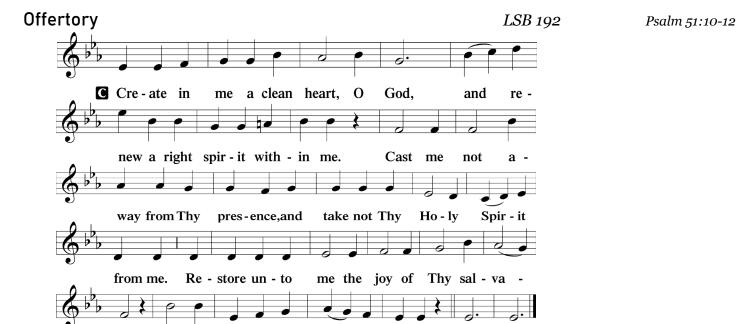
Pastor Jacob Moore

Hymn of the Day Our Father, Who from Heaven Above

LSB 766, stanzas 1-4

Sermon Pastor Jacob Moore





Prayers of the Church

2 Timothy 2:1-4

- **P** ...Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** Hear our prayer.

### Service of the Sacrament

Thy free spir-it.

A - men.

Preface LSB 194



tion, and up - hold me with

**P** Lift up your hearts.

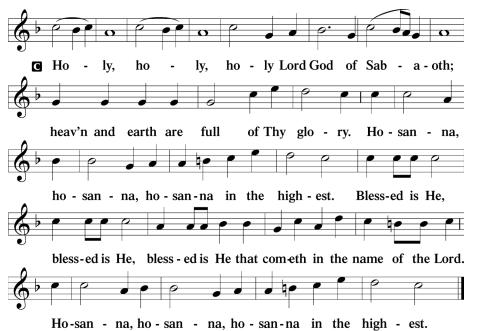


P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus LSB 195



The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name...

#### The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

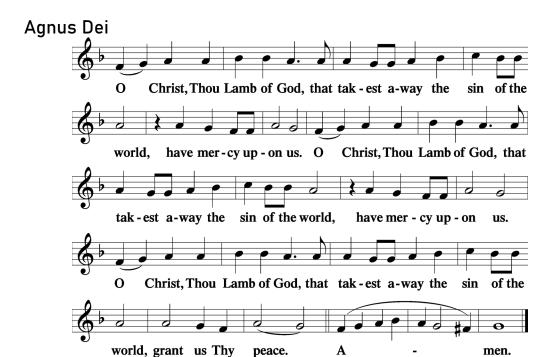
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini LSB 197







**Distribution Hymns** 

Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates Have No Fear, Little Flock LSB 623 LSB 341 LSB 735

LSB 198

### **Nunc Dimittis**

LSB 199





Thanksgiving LSB 200

**P** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



#### **Post-Communion Collect**

**P** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



#### Benedicamus and Benediction



**P** Bless we the Lord.



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.



# Closing Hymn

Our Father, Who from Heaven Above

LSB 766, stanzas 5-9

2 Timothy 4:22

Psalm 103:1

Numbers 6:24-26

# Church News

#### **PRAYER LIST**

For Carolyn Marcotte, in rehab after a fall,

Karen Moore, Pastor's mother, battling bone cancer,

Gene Bergschneider, for health issues,

Cora Olsson, for health-related issues,

and Ron Krohse, for heart-related health issues.

To add a prayer request, please contact Rachael Davenport or Pastor Moore.

#### THANK YOU!

Thanks to all for the many birthday cards, almost all different from each other. The Loami post office has been very busy with them. Your cards and thoughts are much appreciated and enjoyed. I am sure between the cards and the Facebook thoughts on the kids' part, more than 99 messages have been received. Some things about getting old aren't so bad. Blessings and thanks to all.—Raymond

#### **THANK YOU!!**

Thank you to the volunteers who helped with our Road Trip with Jesus at VBS this week! Without volunteers it wouldn't have been possible to share the joy of Jesus with 30 children, so your work is much appreciated.

#### **VBS BULLETIN BOARD**

The VBS bulletin board will be left up for the next few weeks. Each child that attended signed a van that is displayed on the board. Take a second to read the names and pray that God will work in each of their lives.

#### **CAMP CILCA HOMECOMING**

The Camp CILCA Homecoming is Saturday, August 2 in the afternoon and evening. There will be a volleyball tournament and pickup softball game, swimming, guided hikes, live and silent auctions, vendor fair, pulled pork meal from 4-6pm for \$15, outdoor worship, evening concert featuring Eshelon, and campfire sing-a-long and s'mores. Help CILCA celebrate 75 years of outdoor ministry! cilca.org/homecoming

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL RESUMES

Sunday School resumes next week, August 3, at 9 am.

#### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

Join us for the Ice Cream Social on August 3 from 5-7 in the church basement. Grilled hamburgers, brats, hot dogs and desserts along with Culver's ice cream will be served for a free will offering. Donations of pies and cakes would be appreciated. If possible, please drop off donations by 3 pm Sunday.

#### **MARY-MARTHA NEWS**

Mary-Martha will meet on Thursday, August 7, at 6:30 pm. Ruth Lauderback is our hostess. Roll call is a favorite snack recipe to share. All ladies of the congregation are welcome to join us as we pledge Him our willing service whenever and wherever He hath need of us.

At our meeting on August 7, we will be signing up for hostess/communion ware for our new program book. If you aren't able to attend the meeting, please call Lisa on August 8 at (217) 899-5545 to sign up. All ladies are welcome anytime. If you would like to join Mary-Martha and be included in the new book, please come to our meeting on August 7 or call Lisa. Thank you!

#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC**

The Sunday School picnic will be held on August 31! Watch for more details coming soon!

#### **KFUO**

**CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO AM850 & kfuo.org:** On Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT) we are continuing our study of the Psalms. This week, we'll take a look at Psalms 50, 57, 67, 73, and 80. Tune in to Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m. CT) as we begin a new study of the book of Galatians! Don't forget to join us for the Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9:00 a.m. CT)! This week is Bach week, and we have some special episodes lined up to celebrate! Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or in the KFUO Radio app!

#### **OPENING AT TRINITY, TAYLORVILLE**

Trinity Lutheran Church, Taylorville, is accepting applications for a Christian DCFS qualified Early Childcare Director. The twenty-two year old program serves children ages 6 month to 5 years. Salary range \$45-\$55K. Contact childcareplus@ctitech.com.

#### 2025 NOT ASHAMED CONFERENCE

In a world where adversity is inevitable, the third annual *Not Ashamed Conference* invites you to see struggle through the eyes of faith. Hosted by Immanuel Lutheran Church in Tuscola, Illinois, and made possible in part by Central Illinois District Church Extension Fund, this year's event will be held on Saturday, August 23, 2025, from 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM at Ironhorse Golf Club in Tuscola. Admission is free and includes lunch, but space is limited.

The theme for this year's conference is "Embracing God's Purpose in Adversity." In life, we don't get to choose our battles—but we do get to choose how we face them. This conference boldly proclaims that our trials aren't wasted, our suffering isn't random, and our God is not absent. He is actively forging, forming, and preparing us—making us strong in Christ.

Rev. Jason Braaten, pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Tuscola, will be the featured speaker. He will guide attendees through Scripture and the promises of Christ, offering encouragement, clarity, and hope for those navigating hardship, suffering, or uncertainty. Register now to reserve your spot at https://bit.ly/NotAshamed\_2025 or learn more by visiting <a href="immanueltuscola.org">immanueltuscola.org</a> or calling the church office at (217) 253-4341.

#### A DOLLAR FOR MISSIONS

45-year-old insulation in the chancel ceiling at Wittenberg Lutheran Center, Normal has fallen from its original place under the roof. It needs to be replaced, in what figures to be an expensive job calling for ingenious work involving a high ceiling. This DFM project is for \$10,000.

#### LWML CID MISSION GRANT #2: DISASTER RELIEF, \$10,000

LCMS Disaster Relief works with member congregations to immediately give access, relief, and aid in recovery following a disaster. This grant would replenish the funding available to meet the needs to start and enable this process at disaster time. How can I help? Pray that God provides workers to bring relief and aid during a disaster throughout the US. Support this grant by donating to your church's LWML group mite fund.

#### PASTORAL CARE PHONE NUMBERS

Pastor Moore: (636) 582-0685. Elders--Jacob Olsson: (217) 638-5209; Chad Lauderback: (217) 414-8809; Harrison Pearson: (217) 971-5097.

#### **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Announcements should be sent to Rachael Davenport by noon on Thursdays. Contact Rachael at <a href="mailto:socialmedia@stjnb.org">socialmedia@stjnb.org</a> or (217) 883-8558 (call/text).



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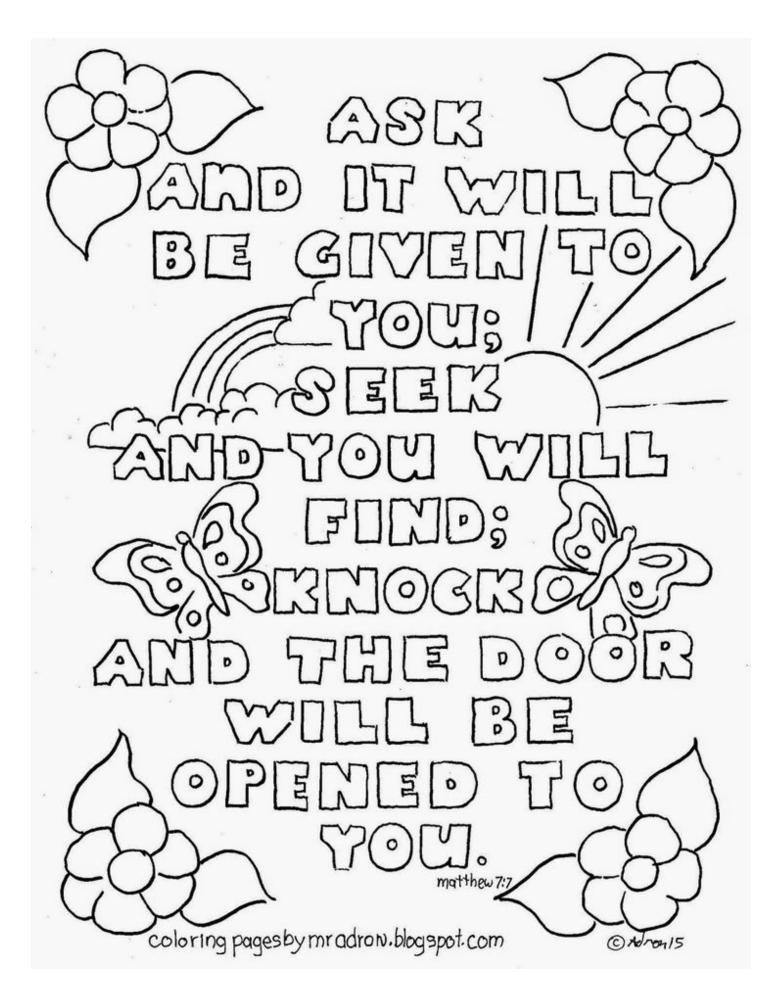
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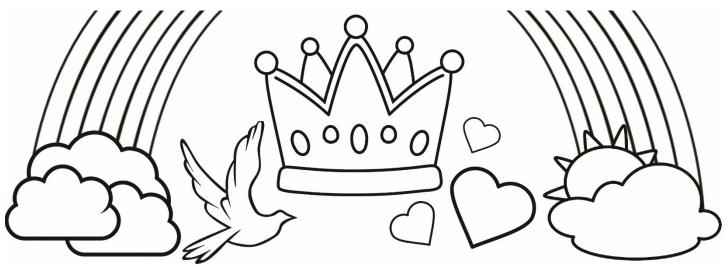
# Jesus Teaches About Prayer

For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened. Luke 11:10 (NIV) The puzzle is based on Luke 11:1-9 (NIV).



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# THE LORDS PRAYER

