# Feed My Sheep: Growing in the Word

The Week following All Saints'

November 4-10, 2018

## The Household Altar:

## Daily Devotion to the Word and Prayer

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

#### Amen.

*Readings (Family members may take turns reading the Scripture):* 

Sun, 11/04	Matthew 22:15-22
Mon, 11/05	Psalm 124
Tue, 11/06	Philippians 3:17-21
Wed, 11/07	Isaiah 32:1-8
Thu, 11/08	Mark 12:41-44
Fri, 11/09	Roans 13:1-7
Sat, 11/10	Psalm 31

*Verse of the Week (try to commit to memory):* 

The King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, to him be honor and eternal dominion. (1 Timothy 6:15-16)

Small Catechism of the Week (try to commit to memory):

What is the Office of the Keys?

The Office of the Keys is that special authority which Christ has given to His church on earth to forgive the sins of repentant sinners, but to withhold forgiveness from the unrepentant as long as they do not repent.

Where is this written?

This is what St. John the Evangelist writes in chapter twenty: The Lord Jesus breathed on His disciples and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven." (John 20:22–23)

What do you believe according to these words?

I believe that when the called ministers of Christ deal with us by His divine command, in particular when they exclude openly unrepentant sinners from the Christian congregation and absolve those who repent of their sins and want to do better, this is just as valid and certain, even in heaven, as if Christ our dear Lord dealt with us Himself.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Recite the Lord's Prayer

Collect (Prayer) of the Week:

Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## **In Our Prayers**

Illness: Kenadee Julian; Kylee Parker; Jan Parris; Kathy Lockenour; Jerry Biggart; Marty Michelson; Eunice Aufdenkamp; Barbi Walter; Scott Hess; Melanie Ferricks Capps; Leslie Symons; Elijah Peterman; Steve Bails; Carolyn Walquist; Theresa Gaziano; Kay Kasten; Bill Shutt; Sharon Park

Homebound: Donna Conklen; Esther Cox; Ruth Estes; Anita Kirby; Pat Sparks; Jack & Marian Roderick; Betty Biggart Armed Forces: Brandon Goldhammer; Mark Schultz; Jared Williams; Jordan Saner; Grant Barnes; Brandon Brockhouse; Luke Bohm

*Police*: Scott Butterfield; Joshua Stuenkel; Grant Barnes *Missionaries*: Rev. Roy Askins and family (Taiwan); The Hilberts (Botswana)

Others: Sem. Ian Kinney; all men studying to be pastors

## Scripture Study and Sunday School

Sunday School ~ Today in Sunday School, the children will learn about how God saved the Hebrews by parting the waters in "Crossing the Red Sea" from Exodus 13:17-15:21. Ask your children to tell you what they know about this story. Talk about, "How does God fight for us and save us from sin, death, and the devil?" Discuss Baptism and how water combined with God's Word washes you clean from sin and gives you eternal life.

**Sunday Scripture Study** ~ We continue reading through Revelation, discussing the visions that John was given by our Lord and what they mean for us.

### **Weekday Study Opportunities**

**Monday Lunch Bunch** (Mon at Noon) – 2 Samuel **Midweek Bible Study** (Wed at 9:30 a.m.) – Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob (Genesis 12-35)

**Breakfast Bible Study** (Thurs at 6:30 a.m.) – Esther