

OUR DEVOTIONAL LIFE

For the Week of Trinity 21
(October 18–24, 2020)

Use as much as you are able, or as your family size/ages dictate.

Bible Stories for the Home (especially for children)

Day	Bible Story
Monday	Christ Before Pilate
Tuesday	The Savior Condemned
Wednesday	The Crucifixion (Part 1)
Thursday	The Crucifixion (Part 2)
Friday	The Burial of Jesus
Saturday	The Resurrection

Bible Reading For the Week (especially for adults)

Day	First Reading	Second Reading
Monday	Ephesians 1:1–23	Micah 6:1–9
Tuesday	Ephesians 2:1–22	Isaiah 58:1–14
Wednesday	Ephesians 4:7–12	Isaiah 59:1–21
Thursday	Ephesians 4:29–32	Jeremiah 31:1–22
Friday	Ephesians 5:10–14	Jeremiah 31:23–40
Saturday	Ephesians 5:22–23	Isaiah 48:1–22

Psalm For This Week: Psalm 119:1–8

Devotions From Laache's Book of Family Prayer (for age 18 & up)
Devotions #410–417 (pp. 639–650)

In Our Prayers at Christ Lutheran:

Pray for all who work in the medical profession.

Pray for the missionaries of our synod, and their families.

Pray for those who suffer from persistent temptation.

Hymn Verse For This Week (TLH #554 v. 5):

Lord Jesus, who dost love me,
O spread Thy wings above me
And shield me from alarm!
Though evil would assail me
Thy mercy will not fail me;
I rest in Thy protecting arm.

SMALL CATECHISM FOR THE WEEK OF TRINITY 21 (RELATED TO THE GOSPEL OF THE DAY)

*Say this as part of your personal or family devotions.
Use these words to form prayers both thanking God and asking for His grace.*

The Sixth Petition

And lead us not into temptation.

What does this mean?

God certainly tempts no one to sin, but we pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us so that the devil, the world and our own flesh may not deceive us nor lead us into misbelief, despair and other shameful sin and vice; and though we be thus tempted, that we may still in the end overcome and retain the victory.

What are the temptations spoken of in the Sixth Petition?

The temptations spoken of in the Sixth Petition are the efforts of the devil, the world and our flesh to deceive us and to lead us into misbelief, despair and other shameful sin and vice.

For what do we pray in the Sixth Petition?

In the Sixth Petition we pray that God would spare us from falling into temptation; and that He would give us the grace to be watchful and to meet every temptation with the Word of God, so that we may not sin against Him.

Of what other kinds of temptation does the Bible speak?

The Bible speaks also of temptations from God, which are really trials or tests from Him; He in His grace uses these to train His children and to strengthen their faith.

(Questions 266–268 from the 2001 ELS Catechism)