

Morning

I thank You, my Heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your Dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. 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.

Evening

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.

BLESSING

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit † be with us all.

Amen.

LOOKING FORWARD TO NEXT SUNDAY: *The Third Sunday after the Epiphany*

2 Kings 5:1-15a Psalm 110 Romans 12:16-21 Matthew 8:1-13
Hymn of the Day *God Loved the World So That He Gave* LSB 571

The Congregation at Prayer

For the week of *The Second Sunday after the Epiphany*

Sunday, January 19 through Saturday, January 25

“The First Miracle of Jesus Reveals the Glory of God”

Exodus 33:12-23; Psalm 139:1-18; Romans 12:6-16; John 2:1-11

The coming of the Messianic Kingdom means the restoration of creation. The sign of this restoration is that **“the mountains shall drip sweet wine”** (Amos 9:11–15). When the elements of a fallen creation fail and run short at a wedding feast, our Lord Jesus steps in to restore creation and miraculously changes water into an abundance of the very best wine (John 2:1–11). With this sign, Christ manifests His glory. The **“back of God”** (Exodus 33:12–23) is revealed to those who believe. The hour will come when Jesus will again manifest His glory by taking creation’s curse into His own body to release us from its power. The Bridegroom will give His life for the Bride (Ephesians 5:22–32), and from His side will flow water and blood, the Holy Sacraments by which she is cleansed and made one with Him. Through this sacrificial love of Christ we are enabled to **“love one another with brotherly affection . . .”** and **“outdo one another in showing honor”** (Romans 12:6–16).

INVOCATION *(make the sign of the holy cross and say)*

In the Name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Saturday, January 25: Genesis 50:15-26 2 Chronicles 29
Acts 23:12-24:27 Psalm 56

THE 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. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into Heaven and is seated 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.

PSALMODY Psalm 111

THE SMALCALD ARTICLES *The 3rd Part: Article XIV—Monastic Vows*

DAILY READINGS

Sunday, January 19:	Genesis 45 Acts 17:16-34	2 Chronicles 23 Psalm 50
Monday, January 20:	Genesis 46:1-47:12 Acts 18:1-22	2 Chronicles 24 Psalm 51
Tuesday, January 21:	Genesis 47:13-26 Acts 18:23-19:22	2 Chronicles 25 Psalm 52
Wednesday, January 22:	Genesis 47:27-48:22 Acts 19:23-20:16	2 Chronicles 26 Psalm 53
Thursday, January 23:	Genesis 49 Acts 20:17-21:16	2 Chronicles 27 Psalm 54
Friday, January 24:	Genesis 50:1-14 Acts 21:17-23:11	2 Chronicles 28 Psalm 55

HYMN

The Only Son from Heaven

LSB 402:1, 3

**The only Son from Heaven,
Foretold by ancient seers,
By God the Father given,
In human form appears,
No sphere His light confining,
No star so brightly shining
As He, our Morning Star.**

**O Lord, our hearts awaken
To know and love You more,
In faith to stand unshaken,
In spirit to adore,
That we, through this world moving,
Each glimpse of Heaven proving,
May reap its fullness there.**

PRAYERS

Almighty and Everlasting God, who governs all things in Heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

O Lord, look down from Heaven. Behold, visit, and relieve Your servants who stand in need of our prayers: **[insert the names of family members, friends, church members, government officials, those in need, etc.]** Look upon them with the eyes of Your mercy. Grant them comfort and sure confidence in You. Defend them from all danger, and keep them in perpetual peace and safety, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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.