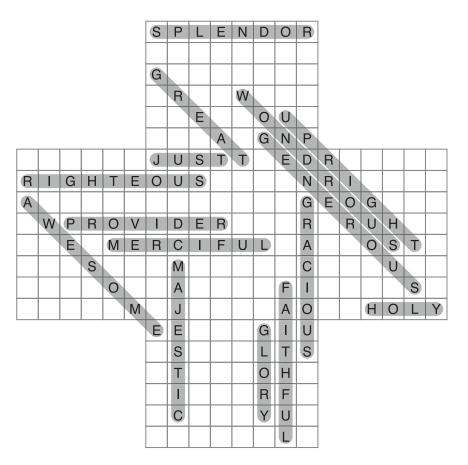
### Friday — Activity

Find the following words:

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# Lambs at Pasture

The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

#### Introit

Psalm 66:1-5, 20; antiphon: Psalm 66:4; 92:1

All the earth worships you and sings praises to you;

they sing praises to your name.

It is good to give thanks to the LORD,

to sing praises to your name, O Most High.

Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!

Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!

So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you.

All the earth worships you and sings praises to you;

they sing praises to your name."

Come and see what God has done:

he is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man.

Blessed be God,

because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

All the earth worships you and sings praises to you;

they sing praises to your name.

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# Daily Readings & Discussion Questions

An answer key is available for download at www.stluth.org/lap

MEMORY VERSE Psalm 148:2

Alleluia. Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts! Alleluia.

HYMN OF THE WEEK: LSB #408 – Come, Join in Cana's Feast

# CATECHISM CONNECTION:

The Sixth Commandment with Explanation (page 12)

# COLLECT OF THE WEEK

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.

MONDAY — THE PSALM

Read Psalm 67

Verse 1 is almost identical to Numbers 6:24–26. Where in the Divine Service do we find these words of comfort?

The Benediction — located at the close of the Divine Service.

Divine Service, Setting One: LSB page 166
Divine Service, Setting Two: LSB page 183
Divine Service, Setting Three: LSB page 202
Divine Service, Setting Four: LSB page 212
Divine Service, Setting Five: LSB page 218

## Optional Reading & Discussion Question

Psalm 111

What are some of the words used to describe God and His works in this lesson?

Verse 2 — great

Verse 3 — full of splendor and majesty (impressive beauty or dignity); righteous

Verse 4 — wondrous; gracious and merciful

Verse 5 — provider

Verse 7 — faithful and just; trustworthy

Verse 8 - faithful and upright

Verse 9 -- Holy and awesome

Review Luther's Small Catechism with Explanation, question 24 (page 61)

## TUESDAY — THE OLD TESTAMENT

Read Amos 9:11-15

What is God promising David and the people of Israel in this lesson?

God is promising to build Israel according to His covenant (promise) made with David. It is through David's lineage (family tree) that the Messiah (Jesus) is to come.

# Optional Reading & Discussion Question

Exodus 33:12-23

Moses asked God to show His glory (Himself physically) to him. What did God do? (verses 18-23)

Moses was allowed to see a glimpse of God's glory as no human can see God's face (full glory) and live. Therefore, God had Moses stand in the cleft of a rock and covered his eyes until God's face had passed. Only then did God remove His hand and let Moses see His back

## Wednesday — The Gospel

Read John 2:1-11

What miracle did Jesus perform at the wedding of Cana? (verses 6–9)

Jesus turned six stone jars full of water into wine.

#### THURSDAY — THE EPISTLE

Read Romans 12:6-16

Which Commandments do the verses in this lesson refer to? (verses 9-16)

Verses 9-10 — Second Table of the Law: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

Verse 10 — Fourth Commandment

Verses 11-12 — First Commandment

Verses 13-16 — Ninth and Tenth Commandment

What are verses 6-8 referring to?

Vocations — See the Table of Duties section in the Small Catechism.

## Optional Reading & Discussion Question

Ephesians 5:22-33

How should the wife submit to her husband? (verses 22-24)

A wife should submit to her husband by obeying him, in the same manner that the church submits to Christ. This is done out of her love of Christ.

How should the husband love his wife? (verses 25-33)

The husband should love his wife in the same manner as Christ loved the church, He gave Himself up for her. The husband is to love, cherish, protect, and provide for his wife as he would do for himself.

Review Luther's Small Catechism with Explanation, question 58 (pages 84–85), question 172 (page 159), and question 253 (page 213)

### CATECHISM CONNECTION

What is the connection of the Sixth Commandment with Explanation and the Second Sunday after the Epiphany?

"In marriage we see a picture of the communion between Christ and His bride, His Church. Our Lord blessed and honored marriage with His presence and first miracle at Cana in Galilee. This estate is also commended to us by the apostle Paul as good and honorable. ... [God established the holy estate of matrimony between husband and wife for mutual companionship, help and support, and the procreation of children.] All persons who marry shall take a spouse in holiness and honor, not in the passion of lust, for God has not called us to impurity but in holiness." (LSB page 275)