

FRIDAY — ACTIVITY

Fill in the missing words from the following Scripture verses.

Blessed be God, because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me!. — Psalm 66:20

And the LORD said to Moses, “Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.” — Numbers 21:8

Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress. — Psalm 107:6

But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing. — James 1:25

In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. — John 16:26–27



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Rogate — The Sixth Sunday of Easter

2017

INTROIT

Psalm 66:1–2a, 17, 19–20; antiphon: Isaiah 48:20b

[With a voice of singing,] declare this with a shout of joy to the end of the earth.

Alleluia.

The LORD has redeemed his servant Jacob! Alleluia.

Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

sing the glory of his name.

I cried to him with my mouth,

and high praise was on my tongue.

But truly God has listened;

he has attended to the voice of my prayer.

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.

[With a voice of singing,] declare this with a shout of joy to the end of the earth.

Alleluia.

The LORD has redeemed his servant Jacob! Alleluia.

DAILY READINGS & DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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

MEMORY VERSE

Liturgical Text; John 16:28

Alleluia. Christ, who has redeemed us with his blood, is risen and has appeared unto us. Alleluia. I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father. Alleluia.

HYMN OF THE WEEK: LSB #779 — Come, My Soul, with Every Care

CATECHISM CONNECTION: The Conclusion of the Lord’s Prayer with Explanation

COLLECT OF THE WEEK

O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

DID YOU KNOW?

Rogate comes from the Latin verb *rogare* meaning “to ask or pray.”

MONDAY — THE PSALM

Read Psalm 107:1–9

What is the overall theme of this Psalm?

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever!
(verse 1)

What are some of the distresses the LORD delivered His people from? Name the verses.

Problem: unable to find a city to dwell in (verse 4)

Deliverance: He led them by a straight way till they reached a city to dwell in.
(verse 7)

Problem: hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them (verse 5)

Deliverance: For He satisfies the longing soul, and the hungry soul He fills with good things. (verse 9)

TUESDAY — THE OLD TESTAMENT

Read Numbers 21:4–9

Why did the LORD send fiery serpents among the people?

The people were impatient on the way to the Red Sea, they sinned and spoke against the God and Moses. They complained about the lack of food and water; and loathed (hated) the food God daily provided.

What happened when the people were bit by the serpents? (verses 6–7)

Many people of Israel died. Then others repented of their sin and asked Moses to pray to the LORD to take away the serpents.

What did the LORD tell Moses to do? (verses 8–9)

“Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.” So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

WEDNESDAY — THE GOSPEL

Read John 16:23–30 (31–33)

What does Jesus Christ teach in this Gospel?

Jesus is teaching us how to pray. We are to ask and pray in the name of Jesus Christ for matters of joy of the heart and conscience, and for consolation in suffering.

This means: “I, Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the Wisdom of the heavenly Father, the everlasting Truth which can neither err nor deceive, I, the only Mediator, Redeemer, and Savior, say to you, My disciples, whom I have chosen from the world, to you My friends to whom I have revealed all that I have heard from My Father, to you My brethren and fellow heirs of eternal life, to you My children and sons whom the Father loves: Truly, truly, I say to you. By Myself I swear I am Truth itself, I cannot err. I give you My faithfulness as a pledge: If you ask something that is good and profitable for you in body and soul, that lies on your heart, that presses and weighs upon you, in which you can find no help or comfort either in yourselves or in others, and you ask the Father in My name, He will give it to you. For the Father loves you with all His heart. I am neither willing nor able to deny you anything.” (Spangenberg, *The Christian Year of Grace*, page 198)

Review *Luther’s Small Catechism with Explanation*, question 34 (page 67) and question 198 (pages 176–177)

THURSDAY — THE EPISTLE

Read James 1:22–27

What does it mean to be “doers of the Word”? (verse 25)

Not only do you hear the Word, but you also act upon it by doing good works according to God’s Word. This is done for the good of our neighbor, it does not warrant salvation.

Optional Reading & Discussion Questions

1 Timothy 2:1–6

Who does God desire to be saved? (verse 4)

God desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

Review *Luther’s Small Catechism with Explanation*, question 120 (pages 123–124), question 167 (pages 156–157), question 201 (page 178) and question 215 (pages 186–187)

CATECHISM CONNECTION

What is the connection of the Conclusion of the Lord’s Prayer with Explanation and Rogate?

The Conclusion asks the Lord to hear our prayers.