

**JULY 24, 2022**  
**SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
 Church Year Cycle C



**THEME FOR THE WEEK:**  
*Walking with Christ.*

**WEEKLY MILESTONES:** 

Take a moment to have each person share a recent mountain high and/or valley low in their lives.

**SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THE WEEK:** 

*As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught abounding in thanksgiving. **Colossians 2:6-7 (NRSV)***

**GOSPEL READING INTRODUCTION:** 

In this reading Jesus teaches his disciples how to pray and to be persistent when they pray as the heavenly Father will give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him.

**GOSPEL READING:**      **Read: Luke 11:1-13**      **Jesus teaches about prayer**

**BIBLE STUDY QUESTIONS:** 

<p>1. In this reading, what did one of the disciples ask Jesus to do?</p>	<p><b>A</b> To wash his feet  <b>B</b> To go to dinner with them  <b>C</b> Tell them who was the most important disciple  <b>D</b> Teach them to pray</p>
<p>2. In this reading, what story does Jesus tell his disciples?</p>	<p><b>A</b> Story of the midnight bread request to a friend  <b>B</b> Story of the sower  <b>C</b> Story of the lost son  <b>D</b> Story of the lost sheep</p>
<p>3. In this reading, what question does Jesus ask of his disciples if their child asks for a fish?</p>	<p><b>A</b> Would you give them a snake instead  <b>B</b> Would you ignore them  <b>C</b> Would you tell to get up and get their own fish  <b>D</b> Would you tell your wife to get it for them</p>

Answer key on page 2



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**SCRIPTURE READING DISCUSSION:** 

- What words stay in your mind or what ideas do you have from this reading?
- What message do you hear for us in this reading?
- How does this reading influence your thoughts, feelings, or future actions?

**RELATED READINGS FOR REVIEW AND HIGHLIGHTING:** 

<b>Genesis 18:20-32</b>	<b>Abraham negotiates with God</b>
<b>Colossians 2:6-19</b>	<b>Fullness of life in Christ</b>
<b>Psalms 143:7-12</b>	<b>Prayer in time of danger</b>
<b>1 John 5:13-20</b>	<b>Knowing about eternal life</b>
<b>Proverbs 3:21-26</b>	<b>The true security</b>
<b>Psalms 138</b>	<b>Praise and thanksgiving</b>

**RELATED READINGS DISCUSSION:** 

What similar themes or general concept did you discover in these related readings? How do they connect to the theme of the week?

**HYMN OF THE WEEK:** 

*Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*

*Text:* Ken Medema (1943- )

*Music:* Ken Medema (1943- )



<https://youtu.be/Qp5Ck6BsWJQ>

**[Evangelical Lutheran Worship #752]**

**CLOSING PRAYER:**

**Forgiving and Compassionate God, we thank you that through the Holy Spirit you give us a living faith to grow and trust in Christ each and every day. Amen.**

**CLOSING BLESSING:**

**May the God who hears your every request bless you with faith and trust.**



Answer Key: 1-D, 2-A, 3-A