

# DAILY DEVOTIONS FOR JULY 13-19, 2025

## *Hymn of the Week: 618 I COME, O SAVIOR, TO THY TABLE*

1 I come, O Savior, to Thy table,  
For weak and weary is my soul;  
Thou, Bread of Life, alone art able  
To satisfy and make me whole: Refrain

ref Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood  
Be for my soul the highest good!

2 Thy heart is filled with fervent yearning  
That sinners may salvation see  
Who, Lord, to Thee in faith are turning;  
So I, a sinner, come to Thee. Refrain

3 Unworthy though I am, O Savior,  
Because I have a sinful heart,  
Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt banish never,  
For Thou my faithful shepherd art: Refrain

4     Weary am I and heavy laden;  
          With sin my soul is sore oppressed;  
Receive me graciously and gladden  
      My heart, for I am now Thy guest. Refrain

5     What higher gift can we inherit?  
          It is faith's bond and solid base;  
It is the strength of heart and spirit,  
      The covenant of hope and grace. Refrain

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***Bible Memory Verse of the week:*** 1 Peter 1:18–19

<sup>18</sup>knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, <sup>19</sup>but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.

***Catechism for the week: THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR***

*What is the Sacrament of the Altar?*

It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us Christians to eat and to drink.

*What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?*

These words, “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins,” show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.

***We pray for others and for ourselves:***

✝ Prayers for members: Darlene F, Jerry Babb, Jerry and Claudia Bullock, Joan C, John & Millie M., Tremayne, Mickey

✝ Prayers for others: Harriet’s brother Norman is on hospice – please pray for him, his wife Carole, and the family. Brian (hearing), Helen and her sister Margaret.

✝ For all with cancer: Karen, Ron, Rick, John, Dean, Jim, Jan, Thelma

✝ For Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Minnetonka that God will soon provide a pastor for them, and for Living Christ in Chanhassen, seeking several workers.

✝ Almighty and gracious God, the Father of our Lord

Jesus Christ, You have commanded us to pray that You would send forth laborers into Your harvest. Of Your infinite mercy give us true teachers and ministers of Your Word who truly fulfill Your command and preach nothing contrary to Your holy Word. Grant that we, being warned, instructed, nurtured, comforted, and strengthened by Your holy Word, may do those things which are well pleasing to You and profitable for our salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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