

Proper 14C Psalm 147:8–11; antiphon: v. 7

P Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre!

C He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain for the earth; he makes grass grow on the hills.

P He gives to the beasts their food, and to the young ravens that cry.

C His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the legs of a man,

P but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.

C 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.

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CATECHISM

What is the Office of the Keys?

The Office of the Keys is that special authority which Christ has given to His Church on earth to forgive the sins of repentant sinners, but to withhold forgiveness from the unrepentant as long as they do not repent.

Where is this written?

This is what St. John the Evangelist writes in chapter twenty: The Lord Jesus breathed on His disciples and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven.” (John 20:22–23)

LEARN BY HEART

Hebrews 11:1

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

COLLECT

Almighty and merciful God, it is by Your grace that we live as Your people who offer acceptable service. Grant that we may walk by faith, and not by sight, in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Jer 23:16-29; Heb 11:17-31 (32-40); 12:1-3; Luke 12:49-53 (54-56)

INVOCATION

INTROIT (front page)

MEDITATION: *Portals of Prayer* and Catechism

LEARN BY HEART: Bible Verse (front page)

DAILY READINGS:

SU:	8/7	1 Samuel 20:24–42 (1 Samuel 21:1—23:29)	1 Corinthians 1:1–25
M:	8/8	1 Samuel 24:1–22	1 Corinthians 1:26—2:16
T:	8/9	1 Samuel 25:1–22	1 Corinthians 3:1–23
W:	8/10	1 Samuel 25:23–44	1 Corinthians 4:1–21
TH:	8/11	1 Samuel 26:1–25 (1 Samuel 27:1—28:2)	1 Corinthians 5:1–13
F:	8/12	1 Samuel 28:3–25 (1 Samuel 29:1—30:31)	1 Corinthians 6:1–20
SA:	8/13	1 Samuel 31:1–13	1 Corinthians 7:1–24

HYMN OF THE MONTH: LSB #728 How Firm at Foundation

APOSTLES’ CREED**IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:**

- For faithfulness to the end; for the renewal of those who are withering in the faith or have fallen away
- **Birthdays this upcoming week:** Miles; Caleb; Aleeah; Jacob; Linda; Karen; Jacob; Joan; Grant
- **Baptism Birthdays this upcoming week:** Silas; David

COLLECT (front page); **LORD’S PRAYER**

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

C Amen