

Bible Study Opening – July 2025

Hymn of the Month: The Lord's Prayer

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The Third Petition of The Lord's Prayer: **“Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.”**

What does this mean?

The good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also.

How is God's will done?

God's will is done when He breaks and hinders ever evil plan and purpose of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature, which do not want us to hallow God's name or let His kingdom come; and when He strengthens us and keeps us firm in His Word and faith until we die. This is His good and gracious will.

Memory Verse – John 6:40 – For this is the will of My Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in Him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.

Prayer (From Luther's Small Catechism, 2017, p. 251)

Merciful Father, ruler of all things in heaven and on earth, we acknowledge that Your good and gracious will is done without our prayer. We pray that You would defeat all that opposes Your will: the devil, the world, and our own sinful nature. In Your mercy, we implore You to strengthen and keep us firm in Your Word and faith all the days of our lives and bring us at last the inheritance You have prepared for us in Christ Jesus, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



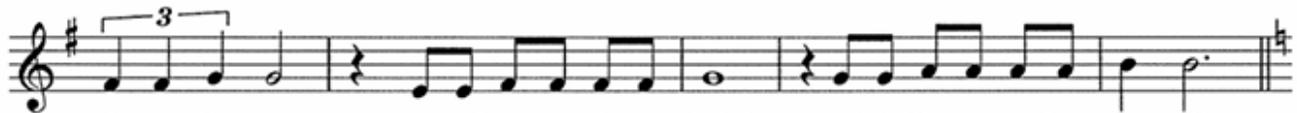
Our Fa-ther in hea-ven, hal-lowed be Your Name,



Your king-dom come, Your will be done on earth as in heaven.



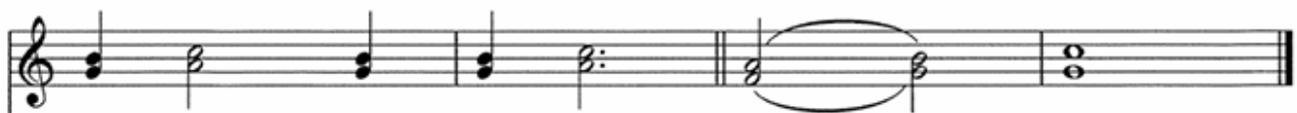
Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins as we for-give those who



sin a-gainst us, save us from the time of trial, and de-liv-er us from e - vil.



For the king-dom, the pow-er, and the glo-ry are Yours,



now and for ev-er. A - - men.

