



Trinity Lutheran Church, LCMS

<u>Birthdays</u>

Deliver Us from Evil

The Seventh Petition: But deliver us from evil.

What does this mean?

We pray in this petition, in summary, that our Father in heaven would rescue us from every evil of body and soul, possessions and reputation, and finally, when our last hour comes, give us a blessed end, and graciously take us from this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven.

This petition as a summary of the Lord's Prayer teaches that it is God who delivers us from evil. It has to be this way. There is evil and wickedness that surround us daily. It includes the evil intent of the spiritual forces that are very powerful, which have fought against God and His Word from the very beginning. There is a third component which includes the evil that is inside each of us.

Because of this the force that it takes to deliver us from evil must come from outside of us. Not only to confront evil that surrounds us and the wickedness of the devil, but the evil and sinful desires of our own heart.

This is exactly what God does in giving us His Word to hear. Likewise, when we think of the blessing of Baptism, it is God pulling us away and separating us from a sinful world and from the clutches of the devil. It also saves us from our sins which seek to pull us away from Jesus.

When we pray, "deliver us from evil" we pray that it is God who delivers us, and it petitions our Father to hold to the promises He has made to us by His Word.

We need deliverance. Christ Jesus is that one who delivers us.

In Christ's Love, Pastor

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Sunday Schedule

8:30 am Worship Service with Holy Communion

9:45 am Sunday School and Adult Bible Study

On KLMJ, 104.9... 7:30 am The Lutheran Hour 10:15 am Radio Broadcast



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