

The Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for Daily Devotion and Prayer

Read, pray and confess out loud as much from the order of devotion and prayer as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate. Learn by heart the verse, catechism, and hymn of the week. This can be used with Daily Prayer for individuals and families found on LSB pg 294-298 or a daily office such as Matins or Vespers found on LSB pg 219-259.

The Order for Devotion and Prayer

Beginning Sunday, March 10, 2024 – Fourth Sunday in Lent

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Verse of the Week— 1 Peter 2:24

He Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed.

Psalm of the week—Psalm 125

Hymn of the Week—LSB 571 "God Loved the World So That He Gave"

Readings of the Week

	Bible Narrative	Second Reading
Sun.	Jesus Catechizes Nicodemus—John 3:14-21	
Mon.	Palm Sunday—Mark 11:1-19	Zechariah 9:9-12
Tues.	Jesus Is Anointed at Bethany—Mark 14:1-11	Isaiah 49:13-18
Wed.	Lent: The Ark of the Covenant—Exodus 25:10-22	Hebrews 9:1-5, 11-15
Thurs.	Jesus Celebrates the Passover—Mark 14:12-31	Zechariah 13:7-9
Fri.	Jesus Prays in the Garden of Gethsemane—Mark 14:32-52	Psalm 88
Sat.	Sunday's OT and Epistle—Jeremiah 31:31-34	Hebrews 5:1-10

The Catechism

<i>What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?</i> 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.	4th Grade+
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Apostle's Creed

Prayers

Collect for the week

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen

Daily Themes for Prayer

- Sunday: For the joy of the Resurrection; for the faithful preaching and hearing of God's Word; for the fruit of faith nourished by the Word and Sacraments.
- Monday: For faith to live in the promises of Holy Baptism; for vocations and daily work; for the unemployed; for the salvation and well-being of our neighbors; for our schools, our home schools, our colleges and seminaries; for good government and peace.
- Tuesday: For deliverance against temptation and evil; for the addicted and despairing; for the tortured and oppressed; for those struggling with sin.
- Wednesday: For marriage and family, that husbands and wives, parents and children live in ordered harmony according to the Word of God; for parents who must rear their children alone; for our communities and neighborhoods.
- Thursday: For the Church and her pastors; for missionaries, teachers, deaconesses, and other servants of Christ and His Church; for the fruitful and salutary use of the blessed Sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood.
- Friday: For the preaching of the holy cross of our Lord Jesus Christ; for its spread throughout the whole world; for the persecuted; for the sick and dying.
- Saturday: For faithfulness to the end; for the renewal of those who are withering in the faith or have fallen away; for pastors as they prepare to administer Christ's holy gifts; for receptive hearts and minds on the Lord's Day.

In Our Prayers This Week (Personal and/or Congregational Prayers)

Lord's Prayer

Luther's Morning or Evening Prayer from the Catechism (LSB pg. 327)

Closing

Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.