

# 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 29, 2026 – Palm Sunday**

#### **Invocation**

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

**Verse of the Week**— 1 Corinthians 11:26

For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**Psalm of the week**—Psalm 118

**Hymn of the Week**—LSB 430 "My Song Is Love Unknown"

#### **Readings of the Week**

	Bible Narrative	Second Reading
Sun.	<b>Palm Sunday: St Luke Passion</b> — Luke 22:1-23:56	
Mon.	Jesus' Betrayal and Arrest— John 18:1-27	Lam. 3:19-33
Tues.	Jesus Faces Pontius Pilate— John 18:28-40	Isaiah 52:4-10
Wed.	<b>Jesus Is Crucified</b> —John 19:1-24	Psalm 22
Thur.	<b>Maundy Thursday</b> —John 13:1-17, 31-35	1 Corin. 11:23-32
Fri.	<b>Jesus' Side Is Pierced</b> —John 19:25-42	Isaiah 52:13-53:12
Sat.	Jesus' Burial—Matthew 27:57-66	1 Peter 4:1-8

#### **The Catechism**

<i>What is the Sacrament of the Altar?</i>	1st Grade+
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.	
<i>Where is this written?</i>	3rd Grade+
The holy Evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke, and St. Paul write: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."	

## **Apostle's Creed**

### **Prayers**

#### *Collect for the week*

Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, 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.