

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, August 24, 2025 – Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Invocation

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

Verse of the Week— Deuteronomy 6:4-5

"Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength."

Psalm of the week—Psalm 92

Hymn of the Week—LSB 518 "By All Your Saints in Warfare" stanza 23

Readings of the Week

	Bible Narrative	Second Reading
Sun.	Who Is the Greatest?—Luke 22:24-30 St. Bartholomew, Apostle — John 1:43-51	
Mon.	Three Men in the Fiery Furnace— Daniel 3:1-30	1 Peter 1:3-12
Tues.	Daniel and the Lions' Den—Daniel 6:1-24	1 Peter 1:13-21
Wed.	Jesus Prays in the Garden of Gethsemane—Matt. 26:36-46	Isaiah 43:1-13
Thurs.	Peter Denies His Lord—Matthew 26:69-75	Isaiah 12:1-6
Fri.	Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist —Mark 6:14-29	Rev. 6:9-11
Sat.	Sunday's OT and Epistle— Proverbs 25:2-10	Hebrews 13:1-17

The Catechism

<i>First Commandment</i> You shall have no other gods.	1st Grade+
<i>What does this mean?</i> We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things.	3rd Grade+
<i>Second Commandment</i> You shall have no other gods.	1st Grade+
<i>What does this mean?</i> We should fear and love God so that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it.	3rd Grade+

Apostle's Creed

Prayers

Collect for the week

Almighty God, Your Son, Jesus Christ, chose Bartholomew to be an apostle to preach the blessed Gospel. Grant that Your Church may love what he believed and preach what he taught; through 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.