# 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 10, 2025 – Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

#### Invocation

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

**Verse of the Week—** 2 Timothy 4:18

"The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into His heavenly kingdom. To Him be glory forever and ever. Amen."

Psalm of the week—Psalm 48

**Hymn of the Week**—LSB 736 "Consider How the Birds Above"

# **Readings of the Week**

	Bible Narrative	Second Reading
Sun.	The Faithful Servant— Luke 12:22-40	
Mon.	Jesus Comes to Zacchaeus' House— Luke 19:1-10	Zech. 12:10; 13:7 -9
Tues.	The Parable of the Minas—Luke 19:11-28	Malachi 1:1-5
Wed.	The Parable of the Wicked Vinedressers—Luke 20:1-19	Malachi 1:6-14
Thurs.	Render to Caesar the Things That Are Caesar's—Luke 20:20-26	Malachi 2:1-9
Fri.	St Mary, Mother of Our Lord—Luke 1:39-56	Gal. 4:4-7
Sat.	Sunday's OT and Epistle—Jeremiah 23:16-29	Heb. 11:17-12:3

#### The Catechism

Second Petition	1st
Thy kingdom come.	Grade+
What does this mean?	3rd
The kingdom of God certainly comes by itself without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may come to us also.	Grade+
How does God's kingdom come?	3rd
God's kingdom comes when our heavenly Father gives us His holy Spirit, so that by His grace we may believe His holy Word and lead godly lives here in time and there in eternity.	Grade+

# **Apostle's Creed**

# **Prayers**

Collect for the week

Almighty and merciful God, it is by Your grace that we live as Your people who offer acceptable service. Grant that we walk by faith, and not by sight, in the way that leads to eternal life; 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.

<u>Tuesday:</u> 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.

<u>Thursday:</u> 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.

<u>Friday:</u> 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.