

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, July 5, 2026 – Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Invocation

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

Verse of the Week— Matthew 11:28-30

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

Psalm of the week—Psalm 145:1-14

Hymn of the Week—LSB 699 "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

Readings of the Week

	Bible Narrative	Second Reading
Sun.	I Have Not Come to Bring Peace — Matthew 10:34-42	
Mon.	Jesus Preaches Repentance and Faith— Matthew 11:20-30	Isaiah 28:16-19
Tues.	Jesus Is Lord of the Sabbath— Matthew 12:1-8	Isaiah 29:13-24
Wed.	Jesus Heals on the Sabbath—Matthew 12:9-21	Isaiah 30:15-22
Thur.	A House Divided Cannot Stand—Matthew 12:22-32	Isaiah 31:1-9
Fri.	A Tree Is Known by Its Fruit—Matthew 12:33-50	Isaiah 32:1-8
Sat.	Sunday's OT and Epistle—Isaiah 55:10-13	Rom. 8:12-17

The Catechism

<i>The Conclusion</i> For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.	1st Grade+
<i>What does this mean?</i> This means that I should be certain that these petitions are pleasing to our Father in heaven, and are heard by Him; for He Himself has commanded us to pray in this way and has promised to hear us. Amen, amen means "yes, yes, it shall be so."	3rd Grade+

Apostle's Creed

Prayers

Collect for the week

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, Your mercy attends us all our days. Be our strength and support amid the wearisome changes of this world, and at life's end grant us Your promised rest and the full joys of Your salvation; 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.