

# 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 24, 2024 – Holy Week**

#### **Invocation**

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

#### **Verse of the Week**— Exodus 20:24

In every place where I cause My name to be remembered I will come to you and bless you.

#### **Psalm of the week**—Psalm 31:9-16

#### **Hymn of the Week**—LSB 442 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

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

	Bible Narrative	Second Reading
Sun.	The Triumphal Entry—John 12:12-19	
Mon.	Jesus' Betrayal and Arrest—John 18:1-27 <b>The Annunciation of Our Lord</b> —Luke 1:26-38	Lamen. 3:19-33
Tues.	Jesus Faces Pontius Pilate—John 18:28-40	Isaiah 52:4-10
Wed.	<b>Lent:</b> Jesus Faces the Sanhedrin—Mark 14:53-72	1 Corin. 10:16-17
Thurs.	Jesus Is Crucified—John 19:1-24	Psalm 22
Fri.	Jesus' Side Is Pierced—John 19:25-42	Isaiah 53:13-53:12
Sat.	Sunday's OT and Epistle—Isaiah 25:6-9	1 Corinth. 15:1-11

#### **The Catechism**

<i>The First Petition</i> Hallowed be Thy name.	1st Grade+
<i>What does this mean?</i> God's name is certainly kept holy in itself, but we pray in this petition that it may be kept holy among us also.	3rd Grade+
<i>How is God's name kept holy?</i> God's name is kept holy when the Word of God is taught in its truth and purity, and we, as the children of God, also lead holy lives according to it. Help us to do this, dear Father in heaven! But anyone who teaches or lives contrary to God's Word profanes the name of God among us. Protect us from this, heavenly Father!	5th Grade+

## **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.