

## DAILY PRAYER - NOON - FEBRUARY 24, 2021

*Lutheran Service Book - p. 296*

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

**Amen.**

Listen to my prayer, O God, do not ignore my plea;  
**hear me and answer me.**

Evening, morning and noon  
**I cry out in distress, and He hears my voice.**

Cast your cares on the Lord and He will sustain you;  
**He will never let the righteous fall.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

### READING

**Acts 1:15-26**

(15) In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, (16) "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. (17) For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." (18) (Now this man acquired a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. (19) And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) (20) "For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

"May his camp become desolate,  
and let there be no one to dwell in it';

and

"Let another take his office.'

(21) So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, (22) beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection.” (23) And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. (24) And they prayed and said, “You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen (25) to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” (26) And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

**“My Faith Looks Up to Thee” - Lutheran Service Book #702**



1 My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of  
 2 May Thy rich grace im - part Strength to my  
 3 While life's dark maze I tread And griefs a -  
 4 When ends life's tran - sient dream, When death's cold



Cal - va - ry, Sav - ior di - vine. Now hear me  
 faint - ing heart, My zeal in - spire! As Thou hast  
 round me spread, Be Thou my Guide. Bid dark-ness  
 sul - len stream Shall o'er me roll, Blest Sav - ior,



while I pray; Take all my guilt a - way; Oh, let me  
 died for me, Oh, may my love to Thee Pure, warm and  
 turn to day, Wipe sor-row's tears a - way, Nor let me  
 then, in love, Fear and dis - trust re-move; Oh, bear me



from this day Be whol - ly Thine!  
 change - less be, A liv - ing fire!  
 ev - er stray From Thee a - side.  
 safe a - bove, A ran - somed soul!

Text: Ray Palmer, 1808-87

Tune: OLIVET, Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

*(Daily prayer for noon continues...)*

O Lord,  
    **have mercy upon us.**

O Christ  
    **have mercy upon us.**

O Lord,  
    **have mercy upon us.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father who art in heaven,  
    hallowed be Thy name,  
    Thy kingdom come,  
    Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;  
    Give us this day our daily bread;  
    and forgive us our trespasses,  
    as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
    and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

*(Additional prayer petitions.)*

## **Concluding Prayer**

Blessed Lord Jesus Christ, at this hour You hung upon the cross, stretching out Your loving arms to embrace the world in Your death. Grant that all people of the earth may look to You and see their salvation; for Your mercy's sake we pray.

**Amen.**