

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, September 28, 2025 – Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Invocation

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

Verse of the Week— James 2:10

“Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.”

Psalm of the week—Psalm 91

Hymn of the Week—LSB 708 “Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart”

Readings of the Week

	Bible Narrative	Second Reading
Sun.	The Parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus—Luke 16:19-31	
Mon.	God’s Law Threatens and Accuses— Ex. 20:1-6, 18-21; 31:18	Heb. 12:18-24
Tues.	The Worship of the Golden Calf—Exodus 32:1-14	Heb. 3:1-19
Wed.	God’s Wrath Poured Out upon Idol Worshippers—Ex. 32:15-35	Romans 3:10-26
Thurs.	Jesus Takes the Place of the Guilty—Luke 23:13-25	Isaiah 53:4-11
Fri.	Jesus Opens the Scriptures to the Disciples—Luke 24:44-53	Rom. 10:11-17
Sat.	Sunday’s OT and Epistle— Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4	2 Tim 1:1-14

The Catechism

<i>Close of the Commandments</i> <i>What does God say about all these commandments?</i> He says, “I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate Me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love Me and keep My commandments.	3rd Grade+
<i>What does this mean?</i> God threatens to punish all who break these commandments. Therefore, we should fear His wrath and not do anything against them. But He promises grace and every blessing to all who keep these commandments. Therefore, we should also love and trust in Him and gladly do what He commands.	3rd Grade+

Apostle's Creed

Prayers

Collect for the week

O God, You are the strength of all who trust in You, and without Your aid we can do no good thing. Grant us the help of Your grace that we may please You in both will and deed; 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.