The Congregation at Prayer
A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer
For the week of The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity
October 2-October 8, 2016

The Order of Meditation and Prayer
Pray and confess out loud as much from the order of meditation and prayer as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate. Learn by heart the catechism and hymn of the week.

Invocation
In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Apostles Creed
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Psalm 50:15
Call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me.

Memory Work
The Catechism — Confession (Review) / Office of the Keys
Which (sins) are these? (by memory)
What is the Office of the Keys?
The Office of the Keys is that special authority which Christ has given to His church on earth to forgive the sins of repentant sinners, but to withhold forgiveness from the unrepentant as long as they do not repent.

Memory Verses for the Week
For last week: For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus. 1 Timothy 2:5
For this week: For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes. Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. 1 Corinthians 11:26-27
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Therefore my hope is in the Lord
And not in mine own merit;
It rests upon His faithful Word
To them of contrite spirit
That He is merciful and just;
This is my comfort and my trust.
His help I wait with patience.

Hymn of the Week: From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee
LSB 607 (Stanza 3)
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Psalm 78
Recite Memory Work (see back page)

Daily Readings
Sunday, October 2 - Matthew 7:1-12; Judging Others
Monday, October 3 - Matthew 7:12-29; A Tree and Its Fruit
Tuesday, October 4 - Matthew 8:1-17; Jesus Cleanses a Leper
Wednesday, October 5 - Matthew 8:18-34; The Cost of Following Jesus
Thursday, October 6 - Matthew 9:1-17; Jesus Heals a Paralytic
Friday, October 7 - Matthew 9:18-38; Jesus Heals Two Blind Men
Saturday, October 8 - Matthew 10:1-23; The Twelve Apostles
Prayers

Let us pray: O almighty and most merciful God, of Your bountiful goodness keep us, we implore You, from all things that may hurt us, that we, being ready, both in body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish those things that You would have done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

O Lord, look down from heaven, behold, visit, and relieve Your servants who stand in need of our prayers:

Redeemer Lutheran Church   Mark Crouch   Kurt & Teresa Mundinger
The Lutheran Church--   Ed McClure   Regina Ricketts
Missouri Synod   Rev. Wayne & Carol Rutz   Cynthia Ridley
(The Revd) President Matthew Harrison   Joan Holzmer   Mike & Beth Ritzman
(The Revd) Bishop Jamison   Jim Steinke   Paul Smith
Hardy   Sarah Osbun   Edna Sutton
Concordia Theological Seminary   Sarah Barkley   Sigita Svambariene & Children
(The Revd) Lawrence Rast   Lana Arnold   Maureen DeLassus
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The United States of America   Marge Fremion   (The Revd) Michael Frese
President Barack Obama   Alyce Garrison   (The Revd) Charles J. Evanson
Dawn Smith   Gail Grieser   (The Revd Dr.) Daniel
Donna Petersen   Paul Kachuk   Reuning
Ed Maxwell   Russel Kaufman   (The Revd Prof.) Robert
James Beadle   Jean Lahrman   Roethemeyer
Christina Quick   Michael Lang   (The Revd) Peter Haugen
Oddie Ridley   Betty Lazer   Winston Grieser
The Haugen Family   Jeanette Lelja   Jonathan McCall
John Bentz   Dawn Littles-El

Look upon them with eyes of Your mercy; grant them comfort and sure confidence in You; defend them from all danger, and keep them in perpetual peace and safety, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

Amen.

Lord’s Prayer

Morning or Evening Prayer from the Catechism

(Morning) I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

(Evening) I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands, I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.