

# **The Congregation at Prayer**

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer  
*For the week of the Second Sunday after Epiphany*  
**January 17 -January 23, 2021**

## **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 Psalm 112***

### ***Recite Memory Work (see back page)***

### ***Daily Readings***

Sunday, January 17 - Romans 7:21-8:17

Monday, January 18 - Romans 8:18-39

Tuesday, January 19 - Romans 9:1-18

Wednesday, January 20 - Romans 9:19-33

Thursday, January 21 - Romans 10:1-21

Friday, January 22 - Romans 11:1-24

Saturday, January 23 - Romans 11:25-12:13

## *Prayers*

Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; 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:

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Missouri Synod	Bethany Kranz	Ibok Luke
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nary	Angie Crouch	(The Revd Dr.) Daniel
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Clara Roth	Ed McClure	Meghan Holst
Marilyn Conrad	Kurt & Teresa Munding	
Bob Heider	Cynthia Ridley	
Norma Jean Uffelman	Heidi Sias	
Amanda Willetts	Paul Smith	
John & Ele Sullivan	Ed Snyder	
Jim Steinke	Dale Steinke	
Jennifer Koontz	Sigita Svambariene &	
Abby Smith	Children	

Look upon them with the 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.

## Memory Work

### ***The Catechism: Office of the Keys***

*What is the Office of the Keys? (by memory)*

*Where is this written?*

This is what St. John the Evangelist writes in chapter twenty:

The Lord Jesus breathed on His disciples and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven." *John 20:22-23*

### ***Hymn of the Week : Salvation Unto Us Has Come***

*LSB 555 (Stanza 3&4)*

3. It was a false, misleading dream  
That God His Law had given  
That sinners could themselves redeem  
And by their works gain heaven.  
The Law is but a mirror bright  
To bring the inbred sin to light  
That lurks within our nature.
  
4. From sin our flesh could not abstain,  
Sin held its sway unceasing;  
The task was useless and in vain,  
Our guilt was e'er increasing.  
None can remove sin's poisoned dart  
Or purify our guileful heart --  
So deep is our corruption.

### ***Memory Verse for the Week***

*For this week:* Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. (*John 8:31-32*)

*For last week* Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law. (*Romans 3:28*)