

The Congregation at Prayer
A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer
For the week of Easter
April 4-10, 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 123

Recite Memory Work (see back page)

Daily Readings

Sunday, April 4 - Hebrews 7:23-8:13

Monday, April 5 - Hebrews 9:1-28

Tuesday, April 6 - Hebrews 10:1-18

Wednesday, April 7 - Hebrews 10:19-39

Thursday, April 8 - Hebrews 11:1-29

Friday, April 9 - Hebrews 12:1-24

Saturday, April 10 - Hebrews 13:1-21

Prayers

Let us pray. O God, for our redemption You gave Your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross and by His glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of the enemy. Grant that all our sin may be drowned through daily repentance and that day by day we may arise to live before You in righteousness and purity forever; through Jesus Christ, 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	Jim Steinke	Sigita Svambariene &
The Lutheran Church--	Moreah Stuckwisch	Children
Missouri Synod	Kelly Oliver	Juanita Wasson
(The Revd) President Matthew	Bethany Kranz	Bishop Sylvanus Willie
Harrison	Amanda Shemwell	Ibok Luke
(The Revd) Bishop Jamison	Claire Burgdorf	Kufre-Abasi Etim
Hardy	Brittney Petersen	David Ukpong
Concordia Theological Semi-	Alice Lagemann	Elijah Essang
nary	Rachel Lent	(The Revd) David H. Petersen
(The Revd) Lawrence Rast	Steve & Lucy Blakey	(The Revd) Michael Frese
Our Sister Churches	Angie Crouch	(The Revd Dr.) Daniel
The United States of America	Mark Crouch	Reuning
President Joseph Biden	Maureen DeLassus	Jane Casey
Redeemer Classical School	Jean Dray	Nathaniel Pullmann
The family of Peggy Bohrer	Gail Grieser	Aaron Schultz
Ed Bohrer	Juanita Hahn	Nicholas Belcher
Roxana Boenker	Russel Kaufman	Peter Preus
William Wolf	Jean Lahrman	Meghan Holst
Karen Koons	Dawn Littles-El	
Nicole Schulert	Gail Ludvigson	
Terry Stephens	Ed McClure	
Madeleine & David Herman	Kurt & Teresa Munding	
Marilyn Conrad	Cynthia Ridley	
Bob Heider	Heidi Sias	
Norma Jean Uffelman	Paul Smith	
Amanda Willetts	Ed Snyder	
John & Ele Sullivan	Dale Steinke	

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: Sacrament of the Altar

Who receives this sacrament worthily?

Fasting and bodily preparation are certainly fine outward training. But that person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words, “for you” require all hearts to believe.

Hymn of the Week : Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won

LSB 490 (Stanza 1)

1. Jesus lives! The vict'ry's won!
Death no longer can appall me;
Jesus lives! Death's reign is done!
From the grave will Christ recall me.
Brighter scenes will then commence;
This shall be my confidence.

Memory Verse for the Week

For this week: The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever. *Psalms 23*