The Congregation at Prayer
A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer
For the week of Cantate
May 2-May 8, 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 127

Recite Memory Work (see back page)

Daily Readings
Sunday, May 2 - Luke 11:37-54
Tuesday, May 4 - Luke 12:13-34
Prayers

Let us pray. O God, who makes the minds of the faithful to be of one will, grant to Your people that they may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the manifold changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are to be found; 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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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:  Luther’s Evening Prayer
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.

Hymn of the Week:  Jesus Lives! The Victory’s Won
4. Jesus lives! And now is death
   But the gate of life immortal;
   This shall calm my trembling breath
   When I pass its gloomy portal.
   Faith shall cry, as fails each sense:
   Jesus is my confidence!

Memory Verse for the Week
For this week: For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus. (1 Timothy 2:5)

For last week: Commit thy way unto the LORD; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass. (Psalm 37:5)