The Congregation at Prayer
A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer

For the week of Exaudi
May 16 - May 22, 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 129

Recite Memory Work (see back page)

Daily Readings
Tuesday, May 18 - Luke 19:11-28
Friday, May 21 - Luke 20:19-44
Saturday, May 22 - Luke 20:45-21:19
Prayers
Let us pray. O King of Glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him 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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Nicholas Belcher
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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:  Returning thanks
Also, after eating, they shall, in like manner, reverently and with folded hands say:
Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good. His love endures forever. [He] gives food to every creature. He provides food for the cattle and for the young ravens when they call. His pleasure is not in the strength of the horse, nor His delight in the legs of a man; the Lord delights in those who fear Him, who put their hope in His unfailing love. (Ps. 136:1, 25; 147:9–11)

Then shall be said the Lord’s Prayer and the following:
We thank You, Lord God, heavenly Father, for all Your benefits, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen.

Hymn of the Week:  Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord  LSB 497 (Stanza 2)
2. Come, Holy Light, Guide divine,
   Now cause the Word of truth to shine.
   Teach us to know our God aright
   And call Him Father with delight.
   From every error keep us free,
   Let none but Christ our Master be,
   That we in living faith abide,
   In Him our Lord with all our might confide:
   Alleluia!  Alleluia!

Memory Verse for the Week
Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

For last week: In all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.
(Romans 8:37)