

The Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer

For the week of the First Sunday in Advent

November 28 - December 4, 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 80

Recite Memory Work (see back page)

Daily Readings

Sunday, November 28 - Isaiah 2:1-22

Monday, November 29 - Isaiah 5:1-25

Tuesday, November 30 - Isaiah 6:1-7:9

Wednesday, December 1 - Isaiah 7:10-8:8

Thursday, December 2 - Isaiah 8:9-9:7

Friday, December 3 - Isaiah 9:8-10:11

Saturday, December 4 - Isaiah 10:12-27a, 33-34

Prayers

Let us pray. Stir up, we beseech You, Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father 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	Jenna Cummings	Norma Jean Uffelman
The Lutheran Church--	Kaitlyn Sheridan	Juanita Wasson
Missouri Synod	Elizabeth Van Hemert	(The Revd) David H. Petersen
(The Revd) President Matthew	Anya Grieser	(The Revd) Michael Frese
Harrison	Onika Klumpp	(The Revd Dr.) Daniel
(The Revd) Bishop Jamison	Tessa Muench	Reuning
Hardy	Abby Smith	Jane Casey
Concordia Theological Semi-	Steve & Lucy Blakey	Nathaniel Pullmann
nary	Jonathan & Maggie Casey	Peter Preus
(The Revd) Lawrence Rast	Marilyn Conrad	Shawn Barnett
Our Sister Churches	Angie Crouch	
The United States of America	Mark Crouch	
President Joseph Biden	Maureen DeLassus	
Redeemer Classical School	Jean Dray	
Xiaohua and Huizhu Wei	Juanita Hahn	
James Schulert	Madeleine & David Herman	
Milo Osbun	Russel Kaufman	
Barbara Wieting	Jean Lahrman	
Bob & Barbara Johnston	Dawn Littles-El	
Felix Smith	Ed McClure	
Jean Brillinger	Kurt & Teresa Mundinger	
Larry & Sandy Stewart	Cynthia Ridley	
Chelsea Shaw & family	Heidi Sias	
Kim Wieting	Paul Smith	
Emma Casey	Ed Snyder	
Taitlyn Preus	Dale Steinke	
Laura Steinbacher	John & Ele Sullivan	

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: The First Article of the Apostles' Creed:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

What does this mean?

I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him.

Hymn of the Week : *Jerusalem, O City Fair and High* *stanza 4 (LSB 674)*

Unnumbered choirs before the shining throne
Their joyful anthems raise
Till heaven's arches echo with the tone
Of that great hymn of praise.
And all its host rejoices,
And all its blessed throng
Unite their myriad voices
In one eternal song.

Memory Verse for the Week

Review:

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. *John 1:1*

For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ. *John 1:17*

For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them. *Ephesians 2:8-10*