

The Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer

For the week of The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity
August 28 - September 3, 2022

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 70

Recite Memory Work (see back page)

Daily Readings

Sunday, August 28 - 1 Kings 11:1-26

Monday, August 29 - 1 Kings 11:42-12:19

Tuesday, August 30 - 1 Kings 12:20-13:5, 33-34

Wednesday, August 31 - 1 Kings 16:29-17:24

Thursday, September 1 - 1 Kings 18:1-19

Friday, September 2 - 1 Kings 18:20-40

Saturday, September 3 - 1 Kings 19:1-21

Prayers

Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than we either desire or deserve, pour down upon us the abundance of Your mercy, forgiving those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things that we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of 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:

Redeemer Lutheran Church	Hilda Blasing	Juanita Hahn
The Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod	Willy & Judy Schwartz	Madeleine & David
(The Revd) President Matthew Harrison	Amanda Willetts	Herman
(The Revd) Bishop Jamison Hardy	Linda Church	Russel Kaufman
Concordia Theological Seminary	Ukraine	Dawn Littles-El
(The Revd) Lawrence Rast	Kanin Quick	Ed McClure
Our Sister Churches	Roxana & Dale Boenker	Kurt & Teresa Munding-er
The United States of America	Xiaohua and Huizhu Wei	Cynthia Ridley
President Joseph Biden	Milo Osbun	Caroline Roberts
Redeemer Classical School	Barbara Wieting	Heidi Sias
The family of Eileen Meyer	Barbara Johnston	Paul Smith
the family of Jayden Musili	Jean Brillinger	Dale Steinke
Sam & Isabel Scheltens	Larry & Sandy Stewart	John & Ele Sullivan
James Beadle	Alena Casey	Norma Jean Uffelmann
Emma Kranz	Bethany Kranz	Juanita Wasson
Rachel Lent & Irene Judith	Mia Wall	(The Revd) David H. Petersen
Brenda Shaw	Julianna Felton	(The Revd) Michael Frese
Chelsea Shaw	Laci Adkins	(The Revd Dr.) Daniel Reuning
	Alice Trowbridge	Jane Casey
	Moreah Stuckwisch	Nathaniel Pullmann
	Amanda Shemwell	
	Emily Walts	
	Steve & Lucy Blakey	
	Jonathan & Maggie Casey, Basil & Cyril	
	Angie Crouch	
	Mark Crouch	
	Maureen DeLassus	
	Jean Dray	

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: Christian Questions and Answers

13. Do you believe, then, that the true body and blood of Christ are in the Sacrament?
Yes, I believe it.

14. What convinces you to believe this?
The word of Christ: Take, eat, this is My body; drink of it, all of you, this is My blood.

15. What should we do when we eat His body and drink His blood, and in this way receive His pledge?
We should remember and proclaim His death and the shedding of His blood, as He taught us: This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

16. Why should we remember and proclaim His death?
First, so that we may learn to believe that no creature could make satisfaction for our sins. Only Christ, true God and man, could do that. Second, so we may learn to be horrified by our sins, and to regard them as very serious. Third, so we may find joy and comfort in Christ alone, and through faith in Him be saved.

17. What motivated Christ to die and make full payment for your sins?
His great love for His Father and for me and other sinners, as it is written in John 14; Romans 5; Galatians 2; and Ephesians 5.

18. Finally, why do you wish to go to the Sacrament?

That I may learn to believe that Christ, out of great love, died for my sin, and also learn from Him to love God and my neighbor.

19. What should admonish and encourage a Christian to receive the Sacrament frequently?

First, both the command and the promise of Christ the Lord. Second, his own pressing need, because of which the command, encouragement, and promise are given.

20. But what should you do if you are not aware of this need and have no hunger and thirst for the Sacrament?

To such a person no better advice can be given than this: first, he should touch his body to see if he still has flesh and blood. Then he should believe what the Scriptures say of it in Galatians 5 and Romans 7. Second, he should look around to see whether he is still in the world, and remember that there will be no lack of sin and trouble, as the Scriptures say in John 15–16 and in 1 John 2 and 5.

Third, he will certainly have the devil also around him, who with his lying and murdering day and night will let him have no peace, within or without, as the Scriptures picture him in John 8 and 16; 1 Peter 5; Ephesians 6; and 2 Timothy 2.

Hymn of the Week: *I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table* LSB 618 (stanza 1)

4. Weary am I and heavy laden,
With sin my soul is sore oppressed;
Receive me graciously, and gladden
My heart, for I am now Thy guest.

5. What higher gift can we inherit?
It is faith's bond and solid base;
It is the strength of heart and spirit,
The covenant of hope and grace.

Memory Verse for the Week

For this week: Hear me when I call, O God of my righteousness: thou hast enlarged me when I was in distress; have mercy upon me, and hear my prayer.

(Psalm 4:1)

For last week: Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. *(Phillipians 4:6-7)*