

The Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer

For the week of The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

January 15 - January 21, 2023

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 97

Recite Memory Work (see back page)

Daily Readings

Sunday, January 15 - Amos 9:11-15

Monday, January 16 - Genesis 42

Tuesday, January 17 - Genesis 43

Wednesday, January 18 - John 2:1-11

Thursday, January 19 - Genesis 44

Friday, January 20 - Genesis 45

Saturday, January 21 - Romans 12:16b-21

Prayers

Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; 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:

Redeemer Lutheran Church	Eric Adkins	Kurt & Teresa Munding-er
The Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod	Dick Tagtmeyer	Cynthia Ridley
(The Revd) President Matthew Harrison	Dawn Smith	Heidi Sias
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Concordia Theological Seminary	Warren Messman	Dale Steinke
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President Joseph Biden	Roxana & Dale Boenker	(The Revd) David H. Petersen
Redeemer Classical School	Milo Osburn	(The Revd) Michael Frese
Bill Bohrer	Barbara Wieting	(The Revd Dr.) Daniel Reuning
Alisha Grant	Barbara Johnston	Jane Casey
Dave Davis	Jean Brillinger	Nathaniel Pullmann
The family of Regina Grabow	Larry & Sandy Stewart	Conner Walts
The Kranz family	Amanda Shemwell	Spencer Warehime
Juanita Hahn	Kelly Oliver	
Warren Messman	Hope Matter	
Emily Walts	Katelynn Aldrich	
Jonathan & Maggie Casey, Basil & Cyril	Kelly Klumpp	
Neeley Owen	Brittney Petersen	
Jean Dray	Steve & Lucy Blakey	
	Hilda Blasing	
	Angie Crouch	
	Maureen DeLassus	
	Rev. Winston Grieser	
	Juanita Hahn	
	Madeleine & David	
	Herman	
	Russel Kaufman	
	Dawn Littles-El	
	Ed McClure	

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 Office of the Keys

What is the Office of the Keys?

The Office of the Keys is that special authority which Christ has given to His church on earth to forgive the sins of repentant sinners, but to withhold forgiveness from the unrepentant as long as they do not repent.

Hymn of the Week *O Splendor of God's Glory Bright*, Stanza 5 and 6

Direct and govern heart and mind,
With body chaste and disciplined;
Let faith her eager fires renew
And hate the false and love the true.

On Christ the true Bread, let us feed,
Let Him to us be drink indeed,
And let us taste with joyfulness
The Holy Spirit's plenteousness.

Memory Verse for the Week

For this week: We conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law. *Romans 3:28*

For last week: And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins. *1 Peter 4:8*