

The Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer

For the week of Cantate
May 7 - May 13, 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 66

Recite Memory Work (see back page)

Daily Readings

Sunday, May 7 - Isaiah 12:1-6

Monday, May 8 - 1 Peter 3

Tuesday, May 9 - 1 Peter 4

Wednesday, May 10 - John 16:5-15

Thursday, May 11 - 1 Peter 5

Friday, May 12 - 2 Peter 1

Saturday, May 13 - James 1:22-27

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:

Redeemer Lutheran Church	Emma Kranz	Cynthia Ridley
The Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod	Juanita Hahn	Heidi Sias
(The Revd) President Matthew Harrison	Emily Walts	Dale Steinke
(The Revd) Bishop Jameson Hardy	Neeley Owen	John & Ele Sullivan
Concordia Theological Seminary	Eric Adkins	Dick Tagtmeyer
(The Revd) Lawrence Rast	Dawn Smith	Norma Jean Uffelmann
Our Sister Churches	Mark Crouch	Juanita Wasson
The United States of America	Gene Daley	(The Revd) David H. Petersen
President Joseph Biden	Linda Church	(The Revd Dr.) Daniel Reuning
Redeemer Classical School	Roxana & Dale Boenker	(The Revd Dr.) Geoffrey Boyle
Our confirmands	Milo Osburn	The Revd) Matthew Wietfeldt
Hope Matter & Zion	Barbara Wieting	Jane Casey
Allison Lee	Jean Brillinger	Nathaniel Pullmann
Sarah Hill & Adam Russell	Larry & Sandy Stewart	Spencer Warehime
Joel Ziegler	Brittney Petersen	
Gay Kuhn	Amelia Laws	
Kathy Klumpp	Meghan Steffenson	
Kurt Munding	Irene Keilani	
Warren & Joan Messman	Isabel Scheltens	
Judy Carter	Kim Wieting	
Priscilla Brewer	Steve & Lucy Blakey	
Alisha Grant	Hilda Blasing	
	Angie Crouch	
	Maureen DeLassus	
	Jean Dray	
	Rev. Winston Grieser	
	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 - Morning Prayer

In the evening when you go to bed, make the sign of the holy cross and say:

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Then kneeling or standing, repeat the Creed and the Lord's Prayer. If you choose, you may also say this little 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.

Then go to sleep at once and in good cheer.

Hymn of the Week *The Will of God Is Always Best, Stanza 1 (LSB 758)*

The will of God is always best
And shall be done forever;
And they who trust in Him are blest;
He will forsake them never.
He helps indeed
In time of need;
He chastens with forbearing,
They who depend
On God, their friend,
Shall not be left despairing.

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)