

The Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer

For the week of The Eighth Sunday after Trinity
July 30- August 5, 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 8

Recite Memory Work (see back page)

Daily Readings

Sunday, July 30 - Acts 24:24-25:12

Monday, July 31 - Acts 25:13-27

Tuesday, August 1 - Acts 26:1-23

Wednesday, August 2 - Acts 26:24-27:8

Thursday, August 3 - Acts 27:9-26

Friday, August 4 - Acts 27:27-44

Saturday, August 5 - Acts 28:1-15

Prayers

Let us pray. Grant to us, Lord, the Spirit to think and do always such things as are right, that we, who cannot do anything that is good without You, may be by You enabled to live according to Your will; 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:

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The Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod	Linda Church	Dick Tagtmeyer
(The Revd) President Matthew Harrison	Roxana & Dale Boenker	Norma Jean Uffelman
(The Revd) Bishop Jamison Hardy	Milo & Nancy Osbun	Juanita Wasson
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Kim Bristol	Bethany Kranz	
Traven Ferguson	Steve & Lucy Blakey	
Barb Reuning	Hilda Blasing	
Emily Walts	Angie Crouch	
Warren & Joan Messman	Maureen DeLassus	
Judy Carter	Jean Dray	
Priscilla Brewer	Rev. Winston Grieser	
Alisha Grant	Juanita Hahn	
Eric Adkins	Madeleine & David	
Mark Crouch	Herman	
	Russel Kaufman	
	Dawn Littles-El	
	Ed McClure	
	Kurt & Teresa	
	Mundinger	
	Neeley Owen	
	Cynthia Ridley	
	Heidi Sias	
	Dale Steinke	

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 Table of Duties

What the Hearers Owe Their Pastors

The Lord has commanded that those who preach the gospel should receive their living from the gospel. 1 Cor. 9:14

Anyone who receives instruction in the word must share all good things with his instructor. Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. Gal. 6:6-7

Hymn of the Week: *These Are the Holy Ten Commands* LSB 581 sts. 1, 11

These are the holy Ten Commands God gave to us by Moses' hands
When high on Sinai's mount he stood Receiving them for our good.
Have mercy, Lord!

You have this Law to see therein That you have not been free from sin
But also that you clearly see How pure toward God life should be.
Have mercy, Lord!

Memory Verse for the Week

For this week: O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: because his mercy endureth for ever. Let Israel now say, that his mercy endureth for ever. Let the house of Aaron now say, that his mercy endureth for ever. Let them now that fear the LORD say, that his mercy endureth for ever. I called upon the LORD in distress: the LORD answered me, and set me in a large place. The LORD is on my side; I will not fear: what can man do unto me? The LORD taketh my part with them that help me: therefore shall I see my desire upon them that hate me. It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man. It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in princes. All nations compassed me about: but in the name of the LORD will I destroy them. They compassed me about; yea, they compassed me about: but in the name of the LORD I will destroy them. They compassed me about like bees; they are quenched as the fire of thorns: for in the name of the LORD I will destroy them. Thou hast thrust sore at me that I might fall: but the LORD helped me. The LORD is my strength and song, and is become my salvation. The voice of rejoicing and salvation is in the tabernacles of the righteous: the right hand of the LORD doeth valiantly. The right hand of the LORD is exalted: the right hand of the LORD doeth valiantly. I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD. The LORD hath chastened me sore: but he hath not given me over unto death. (Psalm 118:1-18)