

The Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer

For the week of Judica (Lent 5)

March 29 – April 4, 2020

The Order of Meditation and Prayer

Pray and confess out loud as much as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate. Learn by heart the catechism, hymn of the week, and verse for the week.

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and 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 43 (antiphon: 5)*

Recite Memory Work (see back page)

Day	Reading
Sunday	Mk. 14:12-31
Monday	Mk. 14:32-52
Tuesday	Mk. 14:53-72
Wednesday	Mk. 15:1-15
Thursday	Mk. 15:16-32
Friday	Mk. 15:33-47
Saturday	Mk. 16:1-20

Next Sundays Readings: Old Testament: Zechariah 9:9–12

Epistle: Philippians 2:5–11 Gospel: Matthew 26:1–27:66

Prayers

Let us pray. Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; 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:

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church	Bernice Wiese
The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod	Marge Meyer
(The Revd) President Matthew Harrison	Velva Christensen
(The Revd) President Richard Snow	Elaine Gonnerman
Our Concordia Seminaries, Colleges, and Schools	Gayle Schwenck
Our Sister Churches	Lavona Lanik
The United States of America	Kathryn Miller
President Donald Trump	Loren Knight
Governor Pete Ricketts	Valorie Hamar
Sarah Gramlich	Jacob Wusk
Gloria Krueger	Pastor Zachary Courie
Lee & Sandra Wade	
John & Addy Chapek	
Judy Oaklund	

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 Ten Commandments (1-3) & Table of Duties

1. You shall have no other gods.
2. You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.
3. Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Table of Duties—To Bishops, Pastors, and Preachers:

1 Timothy 3:2-4

An overseer must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, sober-minded, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, not a drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. He must manage his own household well, with all dignity keeping his children submissive.

1 Timothy 3:6

He must not be a recent convert, or he may become puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil.

Titus 1:9

He must hold firm to the trustworthy word as taught, so that he may be able to give instruction in sound doctrine and also to rebuke those who contradict it.

Hymn of the Week: My Song is Love Unknown #430

1. My song is love unknown, My Savior's love to me, Love to the loveless shown That they might lovely be. Oh, who am I That for my sake My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?
2. He came from His blest throne Salvation to bestow; But men made strange, and none The longed-for Christ would know. But, oh, my friend, My Friend indeed, Who at my need His life did spend!

Verse for the Week:

“Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.” -*Psalms 119:105*