

The Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer

For the week of the Twenty-Second Sunday After Trinity

November 8 – 14, 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 116:12–19 (antiphon v. 13)*

Sunday	Matt. 24:29-51
Monday	Matt. 25:1-13
Tuesday	Matt. 25:14-30
Wednesday	Matt. 25:31-46
Thursday	Matt. 26:1-19
Friday	Matt. 26:20-35
Saturday	Matt. 26:36-56

Next Sundays Readings: Old Testament: Proverbs 8:11–22

Epistle: Philippians 3:17–21 Gospel: Matthew 22:15–22

Recite Memory Work (see back page)

Prayers

O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, hear the devout prayers of Your Church, especially in times of persecution, and grant that what we ask in faith we may obtain; 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	Glenn (Sandra's family)
The L.C.M.S.	Howard Hutchison
Rev. Pres. Matthew Harrison	Eleanor Matson
Rev. Pres. Richard Snow	Di & Dwaine Vasicek
Our Concordia Seminaries, Colleges, and Schools	John Chapek
Our Sister Churches	Lee & Sandra Wade
The United States of America	Clayton Wade
President Donald Trump	Kim Houfek
Governor Pete Ricketts	Kimm Lowther
Donetta (Di Pfeiffer's mom)	Ruth Klemz
Joyce Koranda	Angela Stuart
Lenna Marie (Russell's niece)	Jacob Wusk
Mike (John Chapek's nephew)	Sarah Gramlich
Alice (Lori's mom)	Gloria Krueger
Craig (Delores' son-in-law)	Delores Henke
Dan Lanik	Valerie Hamar
Pastor Dan Heuer	Judy Oaklund
Larry Martin	Loren Knight
Roxie Beck (Elaine's niece)	Elaine Gonnerman
Marvin (Gary & Pam's friend)	Gayle Schwenck
Ginger (Julie's mom)	Bernice Wiese
Ruby & Bob (Kareen's mom & stepdad)	Marge Meyer
Nancy (Russell's sister)	Velva Christensen
Richard (Judy O.'s brother)	Lavona Lanik
Sophia (Sandra's family)	Kathryn Miller
	Pastor Zachary Courie

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.**

Collect in Time of Disasters

Merciful Father, in Your wisdom You have permitted the spread of viruses, riots, tropical storms and hurricanes, floods, and fires, all of which have caused great damage and have resulted in many deaths and even suicides. We implore You, let not the hearts of Your people despair nor our faith fail us, but sustain and comfort us. Direct all efforts to attend the injured, console the bereaved, protect the helpless, and lead our enemies to repentance and faith in You. Sustain all medical personnel, police, and firefighters in their labors. Bring hope and healing that we may find relief and restoration; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

Morning or Evening Prayer (from the Catechism)

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son,

(Morning)...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.

(Evening)...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 Creed—The Second Article: Redemption

As the head of the family should teach it in a simple way to his household

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.

What does this mean?

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death,

that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.

This is most certainly true.

Hymn of the Week: Chief of Sinners Though I Be #611

1. Chief of sinners though I be, Jesus shed His blood for me,
Died that I might live on high, Lives that I might never die.
As the branch is to the vine, I am His, and He is mine.
2. Oh, the height of Jesus' love, Higher than the heav'ns
above, Deeper than the depths of sea, Lasting as eternity!
Love that found me—wondrous thought! Found me when I
sought Him not.

Verse for the Week:

“The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost.” -1 Timothy 1:15