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.

Weekly Collect- Pent 25 *Can be added before the Lord's Prayer Each Day*

O Lord, by Your bountiful goodness release us from the bonds of our sins, which by reason of our weakness we have brought upon ourselves, that we may stand firm until the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.

Luther's Moring Prayer

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.

Luther's Evening 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.



God's Family At Prayer A Guide for Daily Meditation & Prayer 2^{nd} to Last Sunday in the Church Year: November 17 – 23, 2024

Catechesis Note – As we near Advent, the penitential season before Christmas, it's appropriate that we begin to pray through the teachings of the Lord's Prayer. Here we ask God for those things Jesus teaches that we need the most. But they are things we don't also ask for naturally. This week, learn what it means and remember why we need God's name to be kept holy.

Order of Daily Meditation and Prayer

Pray and confess out loud as much as you can, using this order as a guide. Use individually or as a family. Set time aside each day. Learn by heart through repetition of the Verse and Catechism and hymn.

Invocation

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

Apostles' Creed – see back side

Hymn of the Week: 766, 1-5 "Our Father, Who from Heaven Above"

Verse: 2 Peter 1:21

Prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit

Psalms and Prayer after Psalms

Weekly Psalm 14 Daily Psalm 68-73

As we see sin all around us, O Lord, show us again the remedy... the salvation of Your Son, whose delivering power is able to lift even the most hideous sinner to the plane of redemption. Amen.

Catechism- Lord's Prayer – Introduction and 1st Petition

Our Father who art in heaven.

What does this mean? With these words God tenderly invites us to believe that He is our true Father and that we are His true children, so that with all boldness and confidence we may ask Him as dear children ask their dear father.

Hallowed be Thy name.

What does this mean? God's name is certainly holy in itself, but we pray in this petition that it may be kept holy among us also.

How is God's name kept holy? God's name is kept holy when the Word of God is taught in its truth and purity, and we, as the children of God, also lead holy lives according to it. Help us to do this, dear Father in heaven! But anyone who teaches or lives contrary to God's Word profanes the name of God among us. Protect us from this, heavenly Father!

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Reread the Gospel lesson from Church Mark 13:1-13 Mon: Jesus teaches disciples to pray Luke 11:1-13

Tue: The Centurion prays for his servantMatt 8:5-13

Wed: Canaanite Woman prays for daughter
Thurs: Calming the Storm
Hark 4:35-41
Fri: Daniel in the Lions' Den
Daniel 6:1-23
Sat: Look Ahead
Jude 20-25

Prayers- Close with these ancient themes, The Lord's Prayer and Luther's Morning or Evening Prayer

Sun: For our congregation. For the faithful Preaching and hearing of God's Word

Mon: For your calling and daily work and baptismal remembrance, for the government & peace

Tue: for deliverance against temptation, for the depressed and those struggling with sin Wed: for marriage and family, for Godly schools, church schools and our seminaries.

Thur: for missionaries, for fruitful use of the sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood

Fri: for strong families, for the preaching of the Gospel and it spread through Olney & everywhere

Sat: for faithfulness to the end, for revival for those who have fallen away