



✠ DAILY PRAYER ✠

Trinity 20
17 - 23 October 2021

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This guide is offered to assist families, individuals, and small groups in the simple forms of daily prayer included in Lutheran Service Book (pages 294-298). Use the form in LSB appropriate for the time of day and follow the weekly resources in this guide for hymns, readings, and prayers. Pray and confess out loud as much from this order as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate.

✠ ORDER FOR PRAYER

Morning	LSB, p. 295	Early Evening	LSB, p. 297
Noon	LSB, p. 296	Close of the Day	LSB, p. 298

✠ HYMN *We Are Called to Stand Together*

✠ SCRIPTURE READING (from **Daily Lectionary**, LSB, pp. 299-304)

	Old Testament	New Testament
Sun.	Deuteronomy 21:1-23	Matthew 16:1-12
Mon.	Deuteronomy 24:10-25:10	Matthew 16:13-28
Tues.	Deuteronomy 25:17-26:19	Matthew 17:1-13
Wed.	Deuteronomy 27:1-26	Matthew 17:14-27
Thu.	Deuteronomy 28:1-22	Matthew 18:1-20
Fri.	Deuteronomy 29:1-29	Matthew 18:21-35
Sat.	Deuteronomy 30:1-20	Matthew 19:1-15

✠ APOSTLES' CREED – *LSB*, inside back cover

✠ LORD'S PRAYER – *LSB*, inside back cover

✠ PRAYERS

Collect for Trinity 20

O Lord, grant to Your faithful people pardon and peace that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve You with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

✠ FESTIVALS & COMMEMORATIONS

23 October – St. James of Jerusalem, Brother of Jesus and Martyr

25 October – Dorcas (Tabitha), Lydia, and Phoebe, *Faithful Women*

26 October – Philipp Nicolai, Johann Heermann, and Paul Gerhardt, *Hymnwriters*

28 October – St. Simon and St. Jude, Apostles

✠ CONCLUDING PRAYERS – Order of Prayer in *LSB*

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BOOK OF CONCORD READING

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FOOD OF THE SOUL

Jesus meal of Body and Blood nourishes us in His forgiveness.

From the *Large Catechism* (V:23-27):

Therefore, [the Lord's Supper] is appropriately called food of the soul, for it nourishes and strengthens the new creature. For in the first instance, we are born anew through baptism. However, our human flesh and blood, as I have said, have not lost their old skin. There are so many hindrances and attacks of the devil and the world that we often grow weary and faint and at times even stumble. Therefore the Lord's Supper is given as a daily food and sustenance so that our faith may be refreshed and strengthened and that it may not succumb in the struggle but become stronger and stronger. For the new life should be one that continually develops and progresses. But it has to suffer a great deal of opposition. The devil is a furious enemy; when he sees that we resist him and attack the old creature, and when he cannot rout us by force, he sneaks and sulks about at every turn, trying all kinds of tricks, and does not stop until he has finally worn us out so that we either renounce our faith or lose heart and become indifferent or impatient. For times like these, when our heart feels too sorely pressed, this comfort of the Lord's Supper is given to bring us new strength and refreshment.

LOOKING FORWARD TO NEXT WEEK'S DIVINE SERVICE

Reformation Sunday

29 October 2023

This “mini-Bible study” is included for your use in personal devotions or with friends during the coming week as you prepare to hear God’s Word next Sunday. The questions provided after each of the Scripture texts are intended for your thought and reflection.

OLD TESTAMENT – **Jeremiah 31:31-34**

1. What kind of covenant did God promise to make? What went wrong with the “old covenant”?
2. What things will characterize God’s “new covenant”?
3. When and in whom does God fulfill this promised “new covenant”? See Luke 22:19-22

PSALMODY – **Psalms 46**

1. In the words of the Psalm, in what ways does God show Himself to be our “refuge and strength”?
2. The Psalm says that God is in the midst of His people. How is He in our midst in our day? How does He help us as He comes into our midst?
3. Look up hymn #656 (or #657) in *Lutheran Service Book*. How does this hymn echo the image of Psalm 46? According to the hymn, what is our battle? And how does God show Himself to be our “refuge and strength”?

EPISTLE – **Romans 3:21-28**

1. According to St. Paul, what is our spiritual problem—that is, for all people?
2. How are we justified (made right with God)? Where does our redemption come from? What price was paid? See 1 Peter 1:18-19.

HOLY GOSPEL – **John 8:31-36**

1. According to Jesus, how do we know “the truth”? What is the result of knowing “the truth”?
2. What truth does Jesus tell you about yourself when you sin? See Matthew 15:16-20.
3. How does Jesus say the same thing in our reading from John?
4. What truth does Jesus tell you about His work on your behalf? See Romans 5:1-11.
5. How does Jesus say this in our reading from John?
6. When Jesus says, “the Son makes you free,” from what does He make you free? See Romans 6:1-11.