



✠ DAILY PRAYER ✠

Quinquagesima
11 - 17 February 2024

Hope Lutheran Church
St. Louis, Missouri

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 *LSB 849 – Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness*

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

	Old Testament	New Testament
Sun.	Job 7:1-21	John 4:7-26
Mon.	Job 8:1-22	John 4:27-45
Tues.	Job 9:1-35	John 4:46-54
Wed.	Job 10:1-22	John 5:1-18
Thu.	Job 11:1-20	John 5:19-29
Fri.	Job 12:1-6,12-25	John 5:30-47
Sat.	Job 13:1-12	John 6:1-21

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

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

✠ PRAYERS

Collect for Quinquagesima

O Lord, mercifully hear our prayers and, having set us free from the bonds of our sins, deliver us from every evil; 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

13 Feb. – Aquila, Priscilla, Apollos

14 Feb. – Valentine, *Martyr*

15 Feb. – Philemon and Onesimus

16 Feb. – Philipp Melanchthon (birth), *Confessor*

✠ CONCLUDING PRAYERS – Order of Prayer in *LSB*

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BOOK OF CONCORD READING

Quinquagesima

JESUS THE SAVIOR

Jesus opens our eyes so that we may see Him as our only Savior from sin, death, and hell. This from the Large Catechism on the Second Article of the Creed (II:27-30):

For when we were created by God the Father and had received from him all kinds of good things, the devil came and led us into disobedience, sin, death, and all misfortune. As a result, we lay under God's wrath and displeasure, sentenced to eternal damnation, as we had merited it and deserved it. There was no counsel, no help, no comfort for us until this only and eternal Son of God, in his unfathomable goodness, had mercy on us because of our misery and distress and came from heaven to help us. Those tyrants and jailers have now been routed, and their place has been taken by Jesus Christ, the Lord of life, righteousness, and every good and blessing. He has snatched us, poor lost creatures, from the jaws of hell, won us, made us free, and restored us to the Father's favor and grace. As his own possession he has taken us under his protection and shelter, in order that he may rule us by his righteousness, wisdom, power, life, and blessedness.

(Kolb, R. 2000. *The Book of Concord: The Confessions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church*. Fortress Press: Minneapolis)

LOOKING FORWARD TO NEXT WEEK'S DIVINE SERVICE

First Sunday in Lent

18 February 2024

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 – Genesis 3:1-21

1. What questions did the serpent (Satan) ask Eve to “unbuckle” her from God’s Word? How does Satan use similar questions on you?
2. What are the three parts of Eve’s temptation? (verse 6) How are you tempted in these same ways?
3. How did Adam and Eve try to cover up their sin and rebellion against God? How do you do the same thing (not literally, but in excusing your sin)?
4. What consequences did Adam & Eve face due to their sins? How does this teach you not to be surprised at consequences for your own sins?
5. What promise did God give Adam & Eve (and us!) in verse 15? How did God show His grace even in verse 21?

PSALMODY – Psalm 91

1. What does this Psalm teach you about God and His creation?
2. What does this Psalm teach you about your need for God’s protection?

EPISTLE – 2 Corinthians 6:1-10

1. St. Paul teaches in this passage how to view the season of Lent. What light do verses 1-2 put on our Lenten worship & prayers?
2. In verses 3-10 we see how St. Paul endured the cross as he proclaimed the Gospel. How do we in the Church bear the cross (even the same kinds of things as St. Paul mentions) for proclaiming the Gospel?

HOLY GOSPEL – Matthew 4:1-11

1. How long was Jesus in the wilderness before being tempted? Of what does this remind you? (Hint: see Genesis 7:4, 12, 17 and Joshua 5:6)
2. How many times is Jesus tempted? How does this compare to Eve’s temptation (Genesis 3:6)?
3. What “tool” did Jesus use to resist temptation? How do you use the same tool?
4. While Eve gave in to temptation, Jesus resisted and honored God. How does Jesus take your place in temptations? How does this comfort you that Jesus overcame temptation? See Hebrews 4:14-16.