

The Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for daily Meditation and Prayer for the week of

First Sunday in Lent

February 26, 2023

ORDER OF MEDITATION AND PRAYER

L In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

R **Amen**

Apostle's Creed

Psalm

Psalm 32:1–7; antiphon: v. 7a

¹Blessèd is the one whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

²Blessèd is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

³For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away
through my groaning all day long.

⁴For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

⁵I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not cover my iniquity;

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

⁶Therefore let everyone who is godly
offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found;
surely in the rush of great waters,
they shall not reach him.

⁷You are a hiding place for me;
you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

The Catechism
The Ten Commandments
AS THE HEAD OF THE FAMILY SHOULD TEACH THEM
IN A SIMPLE WAY TO HIS HOUSEHOLD

The Third Commandment Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. *What does this mean?*

We should fear and love God so that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it.

The Fourth Commandment Honor your father and your mother.

What does this mean?

despise or anger our parents and other authorities, but honor them, serve and obey them, love and cherish them.

We should fear and love God so that we do not

THE READINGS

Sun	February 26	Genesis 4:1-26; Mark 2:18-28
Mon	February 27	Genesis 6:1-7:5; Mark 3:1-19
Tue	February 28	Genesis 7:11-8:12; Mark 3:20-35
Wed	March 1	Genesis 8:13-9:17; Mark 4:1-20
Thu	March 2	Genesis 11:27-12:20; Mark 4:21-41
Fri	March 3	Genesis 13:1-18; Mark 5:1-20
Sat	March 4	Genesis 15:1-21; Mark 5:21-43

The Prayer of the Week

O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Welcome to Worship! Today's readings all present us with images of God's protection. The Introit says, "I will be with him in trouble." In the Old Testament reading, God gives Adam and Eve garments of skin that cover them better than the fig leaf loincloths they made for themselves. In the Epistle Paul implies that God's gift of grace and righteousness safeguards us from sin, because it is greater than sin. In the Gospel Jesus defeats Satan, thereby preserving Christians from eternal separation from God. Even the hymns picture God's safekeeping of His people. The Hymn of the Day describes God as "a trusty shield," and in the sending hymn, we pray that God would support, control, and protect us. What a gift God's protection is, and what reason we have to thank Him for it!

LSLC Things to Know

-**Wednesday evening Lent services** are held each Wednesday through March 29th. A **soup supper** will be held in the fellowship hall from **6:00-6:45**, followed by **worship at 7:00 pm**. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board if you wish to bring food (it does not have to be soup 😊.)

-Saturday, March 4th will be our next **Cabin Fever event**. We will meet in the fellowship hall at **4pm for a movie**. Snacks and a light supper will be provided. Water is available, BYOB if you prefer another beverage. **All members and friends of LSLC are welcome.**

-On Saturday, **March 18th OWLS** will meet for breakfast **10:00am** at **Riverfront Family Restaurant** in Fort. All women are invited to join us.

SAY A PRAYER, SEND A CARD, OR GIVE A CALL

Please Pray For:

*Lenora Allert, Karen Lehmann, Lillian Baker,
Janet Lorenzen*

February Birthdays & Anniversaries

6 Shelley Schuerman B, 27 Don & Shelley Schuerman A

February Baptismal Birthdays

8 Karen Larson, 13 Karl Schweitzer

March Birthday

01 Darrell Roddick