

February 19, 2020

The Church Year

## Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Here is the summary of readings for this past Sunday as found on the Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod Website:

Deuteronomy 30:15–20

1 Corinthians 3:1–9

Matthew 5:21–37

### ***Christ Sets Life Before Us so that We Can Walk in His Ways***

The God who reveals Himself in His incarnate Son promises life and blessing to all who obey His commandments *“by loving the LORD your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules”* (Deut. 30:16). However, we are *“people of the flesh”* and *“infants in Christ”* (1 Cor. 3:1), among whom *“there is jealousy and strife”* (1 Cor. 3:3). Jesus must instruct us against the human ways of anger, adultery, divorce and false witness (Matt. 5:21–37), because all who live in these ways *“shall surely perish”* (Deut. 30:18). On the cross, He died to forgive our sins and free us from the ways of curse and death. Since Jesus Christ is our *“life and length of days”* (Deut. 30:20), we can be reconciled to our brother, live in chastity and marital faithfulness, and speak with honesty. He who serves from His cross also offers His gift of reconciliation at His altar, and we can be at peace with our brothers and sisters in Christ who are *“God’s field, God’s building”* (1 Cor. 3:9).

## Review

### Old Testament

**Books of Moses -**

Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy,

**Books of History -**

Joshua, Judges, Ruth, 1&2 Samuel, 1&2 Kings, 1&2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther,

**Books of Wisdom -**

Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon,

**Books of the Prophets -**

Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel, Daniel, Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi.

### Bible Stories

Peter’s Confession and Jesus’ Transfiguration—Matthew 16 and Mark 9

*120 Bible Stories, 192-193*

The Flight to Egypt

*A Child’s Garden of Bible Stories, 88-89*

## Family Devotions

Please put a check mark (✓) in the box identifying what time of day you prayed as well as signing in the far right box. All that is required to earn a check mark is for you to pray the Ten Commandments, Creed, Lord's Prayer, and Luther's Morning or Evening Prayer.

	Morning	Evening	Parent Initials
Wednesday			
Thursday			
Friday			
Saturday			
Sunday			
Monday			
Tuesday			

Say the Ten Commandments

**You shall have no other gods.**

**You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.**

**Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.**

**Honor your father and your mother.**

**You shall not murder.**

**You shall not commit adultery.**

**You shall not steal.**

**You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.**

**You shall not covet your neighbor's house.**

**You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.**

Bless yourself with the Holy Cross and say:

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

Say the Apostle's 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 T everlasting. Amen.**

## Pray the Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us T from evil.**

**For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## Prayers for ourselves and others

### Luther's Morning 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. Amen.**

### 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. Amen.**

## Message to Parents

No message this week. The Lord bless y'all as you pray and meditate on the Lord's Word in your homes!

