

The Congregation at Prayer

To be used for daily devotions
Following All Saints Sunday
November 8th through November 14th

Teaching for the week – *This Sunday we will hear the Parable of the Ten Virgins. In this parable Christ says that there were five wise virgins and five foolish virgins. The wise ones were wise because they brought oil with them to fuel their lamps. The foolish ones were foolish because they brought their lamps without any oil. When the time came for them to escort the bridegroom to his bride with their lit lamps lighting the way, the foolish virgins with no oil ended up shut out of the wedding as strangers. Jesus tells this parable to His disciples as a warning about the day of His return. Christ says that when He returns on the last day it will be a time when we least expect it. His warning shows us how crucial it is to take our faith seriously. Never take it your faith in Christ our Savior for granted by being careless with it. In this time of Christ's delay, He is graciously giving time for all to hear His Word and believe.*

Last week we returned to meeting and Pastor discussed the First Article of the Creed. Pastor sent home a study guide for the First Table of the law. Be sure to go over it as a family in preparation for the test. If there is a need to make up for, or retake, any of the other the previous quizzes, ask Pastor or Vicar during supper to take it before class starts.

The Order of Prayer

Please be sure to pray aloud if you are able. Even if you are alone. If others are present, have them join you. The Scripture verses, portions of the catechism, and hymns are for meditation and eventual memorization over time.

Theme: Get ready, Christ is coming.

Invocation: In the name of the Father and of the Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Ten Commandments:

Apostle's Creed:

Verse: "Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour." (Matthew 25:13, ESV)

Psalm: 70

The Catechism:

Lord's Prayer - Second Petition: Thy kingdom come

How does God's kingdom come? God's kingdom comes when our heavenly Father gives us His Holy Spirit, so that by His grace we believe His holy Word and lead godly lives here in time and there in eternity.

Readings for the Week:

Review last Sunday: Revelation 7:2-17; 1 John 1:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12 (All Saints Day)

Sunday upcoming: Amos 5:18-24; 1 Thess. 4:13-18; Matt. 25:1-13

Prayers: (*collect for the week, prayer list, Lord's Prayer and Luther's Prayers*)

Collect of the week: Lord God, heavenly Father, send forth Your Son to lead home His bride, the Church, that with all the company of the redeemed we may finally enter into His eternal wedding feast; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Prayers for others:

Those suffering due to COVID-19	The United States of America	Darlene Thomas	Nettie Wes
For favorable weather	President Donald Trump	Jack	Kendra
Zion Lutheran Church	The State of Nebraska	Ina	Sharon
The Lutheran Church— Missouri Synod	Governor Pete Ricketts	Phyllis	Joan
Synod President Matthew Harrison	The City of Imperial	Dee	Chanel
District President Richard Snow	Mayor Dwight Coleman	Wes	Betsy
Our Synod’s Seminaries	For our county and city law enforcement officers	Residents of Manor and Assisted Living	David Karen
Our Sister Churches	John and Cheri Burke and Family	Marilou Sherry	Richard Arnold
	Paul Schaffert	Donna	Devona
	Helen	Edna	Glen
	Elizabeth	Bonnie	Steve

- **Lord’s Prayer and Morning or Evening Prayer** from the Catechism

Hymn of the week:

516 Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying



1 “Wake, a - wake, for night is fly - ing,” The watch - men on the
2 Zi - on hears the watch - men sing - ing, And all her heart with
3 Now let all the heav’ns a - dore Thee, Let saints and an - gels



heights are cry - ing; “A - wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, a - rise!”
joy is spring - ing; She wakes, she ris - es from her gloom.
sing be - fore Thee With harp and cym - bals’ clear - est tone.



Mid - night hears the wel - come voic - es And at the thrill - ing
For her Lord comes down all - glo - rious, The strong in grace, in
Of one pearl each shin - ing por - tal, Where, join - ing with the



cry re - joic - es: “Oh, where are ye, ye vir - gins wise?
truth vic - to - rious; Her star is ris’n, her light is come.
choir im - mor - tal, We gath - er round Thy ra - diant throne.



The Bride - groom comes, a - wake! Your lamps with glad - ness take!
Now come, Thou Bless - ed One, Lord Je - sus, God’s own Son,
No eye has seen the light, No ear has heard the might



Al - le - lu - ia! With brid - al care Your - selves pre - pare
Hail! Ho - san - na! We en - ter all The wed - ding hall
Of Thy glo - ry; There - fore will we E - ter - nal - ly



To meet the Bride - groom, who is near.”
To eat the Sup - per at Thy call.
Sing hymns of praise and joy to Thee!