

The Congregation at Prayer

To be used for daily devotions
Following the Last Sunday of the Church Year
November 22nd through November 28th

Teaching for the week – *This coming Sunday will be the first Sunday of the church year. We will now be entering into the season of Advent. This means that the colors in the sanctuary will change to blue, and we will be preparing for the coming birth of our Lord Jesus at Christmas. There is great reason for excitement and anticipation as the Christmas season approaches, but Advent is also a season of reflection, preparation, and repentance. As the coming of the Lord nears, we shudder with the reality that we are indeed not worthy to be in His great presence. Because of our sin we are in a state of uncleanness, and nothing unclean can survive being in the presence of the almighty God. Happily, Jesus came to fix that very problem. He came to die with those sins, to free us from them, so that we may indeed come into His glorious presence with thanksgiving.*

Christ Academy Level II will not be meeting this Wednesday (Nov. 25th). We will be having our Thanksgiving Eve Divine Service at that time. Don't forget that there will be an exam when we return to class on December 2nd. Family study guides have been sent home, and it behooves everyone to continue in diligent learning about all the great things the Lord teaches us.

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: Christ comes humbly in triumph.

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

The Ten Commandments:

Apostle's Creed:

Verse: "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" (Mark 11:9, ESV)

Psalm: 80:1-7

The Catechism:

The Second Commandment

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

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not curse, swear, use satanic arts, lie or deceive by His name, but call upon Him in every trouble, pray, praise and give thanks.

Readings for the Week:

Review last Sunday: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24; 1 Cor 15:20-28; Matt. 25:31-46

Sunday upcoming: Isaiah 64:1-9; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mark 11:1-10

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

Collect of the week: Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Prayers for others:

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

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

Hymn of the week:

332 Savior of the Nations, Come



1 Sav - ior of the na - tions, come, Vir - gin's Son, make
 2 Not by hu - man flesh and blood, By the Spir - it
 3 Here a maid was found with child, Yet re - mained a
 4 Then stepped forth the Lord of all From His pure and



here Your home! Mar - vel now, O heav'n and earth,
 of our God, Was the Word of God made flesh—
 vir - gin mild. In her womb this truth was shown:
 king - ly hall; God of God, yet ful - ly man,



That the Lord chose such a birth.
 Wom - an's off - spring, pure and fresh.
 God was there up - on His throne.
 His he - ro - ic course be - gan.

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| <p>5 God the Father was His source,
 Back to God He ran His course.
 Into hell His road went down,
 Back then to His throne and crown.</p> | <p>7 From the manger newborn light
 Shines in glory through the night.
 Darkness there no more resides;
 In this light faith now abides.</p> |
| <p>6 For You are the Father's Son
 Who in flesh the vict'ry won.
 By Your mighty pow'r make whole
 All our ills of flesh and soul.</p> | <p>△ 8 Glory to the Father sing,
 Glory to the Son, our king,
 Glory to the Spirit be
 Now and through eternity.</p> |