

Peace at Prayer

Nov. 30th – Dec. 6, 2014

A Guide for Daily Reading, Prayer & Meditation

The new Church Year begins by focusing on the humble coming of our Lord. “Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey” (Matt. 21:5). Even as He was born in a lowly manger, so Jesus rides into Jerusalem on a beast of burden. For He bears the sin of the world. He is the Son of David riding to His enthronement on the cross, where He shows Himself to be “*The LORD is our Righteousness*” (Jer. 23:5–6). Our Lord still comes in great humility to deliver His righteousness to us in the Word and Sacraments. Before receiving Christ’s body and blood, we also sing, “*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!*” (Matt. 21:9) And as we receive the Sacrament, we set our hearts on His return in glory, for “*our salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed*” (Rom. 13:11).

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Pray and speak out loud as much as you can from the guide, and as you are able. Fathers and mothers should lead the children, trusting the power of God’s spoken Word to create & sustain faith and keep all evil at bay!

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Apostles’ 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 + everlasting. Amen.

Verse

John 3:36

Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him.

Read Psalms 24 & 26 from your Bible

You may also review readings from Sunday:

Jeremiah 23:5-8; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 21:1-9

Small Catechism

Read & Review the 2nd Article of the Creed

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.

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.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Other Prayers . . . please remember those listed in the bulletin. An excellent guide for prayers for others and ourselves is found in the front of the hymnal, page 294.

Hymn

Savior of the nations, come,
Virgin's Son, make here Your home!
Marvel now, O heav'n and earth,
That the Lord chose such a birth.

Here a maid was found with child,
Yet remained a virgin mild.
In her womb this truth was shown:
God was there upon His throne.

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Then stepped forth the Lord of all
From His pure and kingly hall;
God of God, yet fully man,
His heroic course began.

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.

Preparing for Next Sunday Malachi 4:1-6; Romans 15:4-13; Luke 21:25-36; LSB #336