

Congregation at Prayer
† The First Sunday in Lent (A) †

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Hymn

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Matthew 6:9-13

Prayer of the Week

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[Psalm 103:1]

2 Corinthians 13:14

We live by the Word of God

A Guide for Daily Family Prayer
 For the Week of February 23rd to March 1st

Psalm of the Week...

Psalm 32:1-7

Hymn of the Week... "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" 656/657

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Learn-By-Heart Scripture...

Matthew 4:4

"[Jesus said] 'It is written, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."'"

Daily Readings...

Monday (2/23): Genesis 6:1-7:5; Mark 3:1-19

Tuesday (2/24) Genesis 7:11-8:12; Mark 3:20-35

Wednesday (2/25): Genesis 8:13-9:17 (9:18-11:26); Mark 4:1-20

Thursday (2/26): Genesis 11:27-12:20; Mark 4:21-41

Friday (2/27): Genesis 13:1-18 (14:1-24); Mark 5:1-20

Saturday (2/28): Genesis 15:1-21; Mark 5:21-43

Sunday Lent 2 (3/1): Genesis 16:1-9, 15-17:22; Mark 6:1-13

Learn-By-Heart Catechism...

The Lord's Prayer, LSB 324

The Fifth Petition

And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

What does this mean?

We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look at our sins, or deny our prayer because of them. We are neither worthy of the things for which we pray, nor have we deserved them, but we ask that He would give them all to us by grace, for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will sincerely forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us.

The Sixth Petition

And lead us not into temptation.

What does this mean?

God tempts no one. We pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us so that the devil, the world, and our sinful nature may not deceive us or mislead us into false belief, despair, and other great shame and vice. Although we are attacked by these things, we pray that we may finally overcome them and win the victory

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.

Looking Forward to Next Week...

~ The Second Sunday in Lent (A) ~

Genesis 12:1-9 Romans 4:1-8, 13-17

John 3:1-17

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L The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us all.

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2 Corinthians 13:14

We have been born of water and the Spirit and have the Kingdom.

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Psalm of the Week...

Psalm 121

Hymn of the Week... "Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart" 708

Learn-By-Heart Scripture...

John 3:5

"Jesus answered, 'Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.'"

Daily Readings...

Monday (3/2): Genesis 18:1-15 (18:16-20:18); Mark 6:14-34

Tuesday (3/3): Genesis 21:1-21; Mark 6:35-56

Wednesday (3/4): Genesis 22:1-19; Mark 7:1-23

Thursday (3/5): Genesis 24:1-31; Mark 7:24-37

Friday (3/6): Genesis 24:32-52 61-67 (25:1-26:35); Mark 8:1-21

Saturday (3/7): Genesis 27:1-29; Mark 8:22-38

Sunday Lent 3 (3/8): Genesis 27:30-45; 28:10-22; Mark 9:1-13

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The Seventh Petition

But deliver us from evil.

What does this mean?

We pray in this petition, in summary, that our Father in heaven would rescue us from every evil of body and soul, possessions and reputation, and finally, when our last hour comes, give us a blessed end, and graciously take us from this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven.

The Conclusion

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

What does this mean?

This means that I should be certain that these petitions are pleasing to our Father in heaven and are heard by Him; for He Himself has commanded us to pray in this way and has promised to hear us. Amen, amen means "yes, yes, it shall be so."

Looking Forward to Next Week...

~ The Third Sunday in Lent (A) ~

Exodus 17:1-7 Romans 5:1-8 John 4:5-30, 39-42

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Psalm(s) while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Hymn

Learn-By-Heart Scripture

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[Psalm 103:1]

2 Corinthians 13:14

Christ shows His love by dying for us while we were yet sinners

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Psalm of the Week...

Psalm 95:1-9

Hymn of the Week... "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness" 849

Learn-By-Heart Scripture...

Romans 5:6-8

"For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person – though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die – but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

Daily Readings...

Monday (3/9): Genesis 29:1-30 (29:31-34:31); Mark 9:14-32

Tuesday (3/10) Genesis 35:1-29; Mark 9:33-50

Wednesday (3/11): Genesis 37:1-36; Mark 10:1-12

Thursday (3/12): Genesis 39:1-23; Mark 10:13-31

Friday (3/13): Genesis 40:1-23; Mark 10:32-52

Saturday (3/14): Genesis 41:1-27; Mark 11:1-19

Sunday Lent 4 (3/15): Genesis 41:28-57; Mark 11:20-33

Holy Baptism, LSB 325

Learn-By-Heart Catechism...

What is Baptism?

Baptism is not just plain water, but it is the water included in God's command and combined with God's word.

Which is that word of God?

Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew: "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." *Matthew 28:19*

What benefits does Baptism give?

It works forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this as the words and promises of God declare.

Which are these words and promises of God?

Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Mark, "Whoever believes and is baptized shall be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned." *Mark 16:16*

Prayer of the Week...

O God, whose glory is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Looking Forward to Next Week...

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Isaiah 42:14-21 Ephesians 5:8-14

John 9:1-41

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You are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light.

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Psalm of the Week...

Psalm 142

Hymn of the Week... "God Loved the World so that He Gave" 571

Learn-By-Heart Scripture...

Ephesians 5:8-10

"At one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord."

Daily Readings...

Monday (3/16): Genesis 42:1-34, 38; Mark 12:1-12

Tuesday (3/17) Genesis 43:1-28; Mark 12:13-27

Wednesday (3/18): Genesis 44:1-18, 32-34; Mark 12:28-44

Thursday (3/19): Genesis 45:1-20, 24-28; Mark 13:1-23

Friday (3/20): Genesis 47:1-31 (48:1-49:28); Mark 13:24-37

Saturday (3/21): Genesis 49:29-50:7, 14-26; Mark 14:1-11

Sunday Lent 5 (3/22): Exodus 1:1-22; Mark 14:12-31

Learn-By-Heart Catechism...

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How can water do such great things?

Certainly not just water, but the word of God in and with the water does these things, along with the faith which trusts this word of God in the water. For without God's word the water is plain water and no Baptism. But with the word of God it is a Baptism, that is, a life-giving water, rich in grace, and a washing of the new birth in the Holy Spirit, as St. Paul says in Titus, chapter three: "He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. This is a trustworthy saying." *Titus 3:5-8*

Prayer of the Week...

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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Ezekiel 37:1-14 Romans 8:1-11 John 11:1-53

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2 Corinthians 13:14

Press on toward What Lies Ahead

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Psalm of the Week...

Hymn of the Week... "My Song Is Love Unknown" 430

Learn-By-Heart Scripture...

"Jesus said] 'I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die.'"

Daily Readings...

Monday (3/23): Exodus 2:1-22; Mark 14:32-52

Tuesday (3/24) Exodus 2:23-3:22; Mark 14:53-72

Wednesday (3/25): Exodus 4:1-18; Mark 15:1-15

Thursday (3/26): Exodus 4:19-31; Mark 15:16-32

Friday (3/27): Exodus 5:1-6:1; Mark 15:33-47

Saturday (3/28): Exodus 7:1-25; Mark 16:1-20

Sunday Palm Sunday (3/29): Exodus 8:1-32 (Psalm 118); Hebrews 1:1-14

Learn-By-Heart Catechism...

Confession, LSB 326

What does such baptizing with water indicate?

It indicates that the Old Adam in us should by daily contrition and repentance be drowned and die with all sins and evil desires, and that a new man should daily emerge and arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.

Where is this written?

St. Paul writes in Romans chapter six: "We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life." *Romans 6:4*

Prayer of the Week...

Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Looking Forward to Next Week...

~ Palm Sunday / The Sunday of the Passion (A) ~

Isaiah 50:4-9a Philippians 2:5-11 Matthew 26:1-27:66

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Christ, the Name above Every Name.

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Psalm 118:19-29

Psalm of the Week...

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Hymn of the Week... "Christ, the Life of All the Living"

Philippians 2:9-11

Learn-By-Heart Scripture...

"Therefore God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

Daily Readings...

Monday (3/30): Exodus 9:1-28 (Lam. 1:1-22); Hebrews 2:1-18

Tuesday (3/31) Exodus 9:29-10:20 (Lam. 2:1-22); Hebrews 3:1-19

Wednesday (4/1): Exodus 10:21-11-10 (Lam. 3:1-66); Hebrews 4:1-16

Holy Thursday (4/2): Exodus 12:1-28 (Lam 4:1-22); Hebrews 5:1-14 (Psalm 31)

Good Friday (4/3): Exodus 12:29-32, 13:1-16 (Lam 5:1-22); Heb. 6:1-20 (Psalm 22)

Saturday (4/4): Exodus 13:17-14:9; Hebrews 7:1-22

Easter Sunday (4/5): Exodus 14:10-31; Hebrews 7:23-8:13

Confession, LSB 326

Learn-By-Heart Catechism...

What is Confession?

Confession has two parts. First, that we confess our sins, and second, that we receive absolution, that is, forgiveness, from the pastor as from God Himself, not doubting, but firmly believing that by it our sins are forgiven before God in heaven.

Prayer of the Week...

Almighty and everlasting God, You sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Looking Forward to Next Week...

~ The Resurrection of Our Lord, Easter Day (A) ~

Acts 10:34-43 Colossians 3:1-4 Matthew 28:1-10