

Please bring this sheet home with you to use this week with your family!

# Holy Cross at Home

## A Daily Prayer and Meditation Guide

For the Week of the Second Sunday after the Epiphany  
January 20, 2019 through January 26, 2019

As you use this devotional resource at home, you may use or omit certain parts, as you see fit for your family group. Be sure to include the basic elements, like Scripture reading and prayer, especially the Lord's Prayer, and add others later. If you cannot sing the hymn, read a stanza or two and reflect on its message. As with all things, they get better with practice! May the Lord bless you and those with whom you pray, and may He graciously gather us again as the Body of Christ, since we know the great, final Day approaches.

### Order of Daily Prayer

Invocation ✠

Apostles' Creed (see *LSB* p. 286)

Memory verse for the week: Luke 2:29-32 (or sing *LSB* 165)

Sunday School Lesson to review: Luke 2:22-40 The Presentation of Jesus

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 128

*Psalm Prayer:* Bless us, O Lord, who fear You, and make us to walk continually in Your ways; bless us with Your holy benediction, that we may see the everlasting good of Jerusalem; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Readings:	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Evening</u>
January 20	Ezekiel 47:1-23	Romans 9:19-33
January 21	Joel 1:1-20	Romans 10:1-21
January 22	Joel 2:1-17	Romans 11:1-24
January 23	Joel 2:18-32	Romans 11:25—12:13
January 24	Joel 3:1-21	Romans 12:14—13:14
January 25	Zechariah 1:1-21	Romans 14:1-23
January 26	Zechariah 2:1—3:10	Romans 15:1-23
January 27	Zechariah 4:1—5:11	Romans 15:14-33

Hymn of the Week: *LSB* 408 "Come, Join in Cana's Feast"

Catechism for the Week: Table of Duties (see *LSB* p. 328)

*To Workers of All Kinds*

*Collect for the Second Sunday after the Epiphany:*

Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Collect for those who are married:*

Most gracious God, we give thanks for the joy and blessings that You grant to husbands and wives. Assist them always by Your grace that with true fidelity and steadfast love they may honor and keep their marriage vows, grow in love toward You and for each other, and come at last to the eternal joys that You have promised; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

For marriages to be God-pleasing and to exist according to His design  
For the work of all missionaries, including Drs. Daniel & Joan Jastram  
For families who need food, warmth and other everyday necessities  
For grace to recall our Baptism and the blessings of daily forgiveness

For Jeanne Beck, Alan Bahl, Tony Bell, Tim Corrao, Marian Fields,  
Marie Fischer, Nancy Grabmiller, Eileen Losey, Jerry Losey, Evelyn  
McConnell, Kay Medick, Jim & Becky Schope, Carl Schroder, Josh Stock,  
Sharon Thomas, Ginny Valleau, and Elenita Wendt.

Lord's Prayer ✠

Morning Prayer or Evening Prayer or Prayers at the Family Table

V: Let us bless the Lord!

R: Thanks be to God!

Blessing: The Lord Almighty bless us and direct our days and our deeds  
in ✠ His peace. Amen.

Looking Forward to Next Week:

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 27, 2019

Hymns: 589; 810; 839; 628; 524; 921

Readings: Psalm 102; Nehemiah 8:1-10; 1 Corinth. 12:12-31; Luke 4:16-30

It is said, "Familiarity breeds contempt." You would have thought that the family and friends of Jesus Himself would appreciate having the Son of God grow up as a son of the town of Nazareth! Yet because the power of the Almighty Lord is hidden in the weakness of an ordinary-looking man, these fellow Galileans are offended at Christ's claim to be the Christ! As Ezra's preaching led to the Israelites' repentance (Nehemiah 8), so would our Lord grant us abundant forgiveness once we recognize and confess our sins of contempt toward our Lord who comes among us hidden in weakness.