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Holy Cross at Home

A Daily Prayer and Meditation Guide

For the Week of the Second Sunday of Easter
April 28, 2019 through May 4, 2019

Christ is Risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! As we stand before the empty tomb we discover along with the faithful women and the disciples that Christ's death was not a tragic failure but rather a glorious success. We realize that He entered suffering and death as an Innocent Victim, but He fought as a mighty warrior who has gained the victory over death and Satan. His resurrection paved the way for our resurrection into eternal life hereafter. The Season of Easter is a "Week of Weeks" crowned with the Festival of Pentecost, day number 50.

Order of Daily Prayer

Invocation ☩

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

Memory verse for the week: Matthew 22:21

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 148

Psalm Prayer: O God, supreme and most high power of heavenly dwellings, grant to Your servants that as all things which we behold were created by Your command, so may what You command be observed under Your keeping; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Readings:	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Evening</u>
April 28	Exodus 20:1-24	Luke 4:1-15
April 29	Exodus 22:20—23:13	Luke 4:16-30
April 30	Exodus 23:14-33	Luke 4:31-44
May 1	Exodus 24:1-18	Luke 5:1-16
May 2	Exodus 25:1-22	Luke 5:17-39
May 3	Exodus 31:1-18	Luke 6:1-19
May 4	Exodus 32:1-14	Luke 6:20-38
May 5	Exodus 32:15-35	Luke 6:39-49

Hymn of the Week: *LSB* 470 "O Sons and Daughters of the King"

Catechism for the Week: The Ten Commandments (see *LSB* p. 321)
The Seventh Commandment

Collect for the Second Sunday of Easter:

Almighty God, grant that we, who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection, may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Collect for return of the wayward and erring:

Almighty and most gracious God and Father, we implore You to turn the hearts of all who have forsaken the faith once delivered to Your Church, especially those who have wandered from it or are in doubt through the corruption of Your truth. Mercifully visit and restore them that in gladness of heart they may take pleasure in Your Word and be made wise to salvation through faith in Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

For our parish shut-ins and all who suffer from loneliness
For grace to recall our Baptism and the blessings of daily forgiveness
For the mission work of Pastor Daniel Jastram (E. Asia & Japan)

For Jeanne Beck, Tony Bell, Alarice & Tim Corrao, Marie Dahlquist, Marie Fischer, Tripp Hughes, Marian Johnson, Eileen Losey, Kay Medick, Diane Pirtle, Jim & Becky Schope, Karl Schroder, Nat Serfass, Esther Stillman, Ginny Valleau, Curt & Elenita Wendt, and Linda Yinger.

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 of Easter

May 5, 2019

Hymns: 487; 633; 525; 672; 821

Readings: Psalm 28; Acts 9:1-22; Revelation 5:1-14; John 21:1-19

The story of Saul's conversion on the road to Damascus is paired with the Gospel account of Jesus giving the charge to Peter, "Feed My Lambs." Apostles are God's gift to the church, particularly because they were directly entrusted with the Ministry of the Word by the risen Jesus Himself speaking to them. The church that is founded by the Word proclaimed by the apostles is therefore called the "apostolic" church, yet the church is "apostolic" also in the sense that our Lord sends His church into the world to tend His sheep and proclaim the words of the Shepherd to all the lost whom He calls.