

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 Sixth Week of Easter/Ascension
May 9, 2021 through May 15, 2021

Christ is Risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! We stand before the empty tomb along with the faithful women and the disciples knowing that Christ's death was not a tragic failure but rather a glorious success. He entered suffering and death as an Innocent Victim, but He fought as a mighty warrior and gained the victory over death and Satan. Faith in the risen Christ brings us tremendous joy because the victory that He won on this great day is also our victory. His resurrection paved the way for our resurrection into eternal life hereafter. The Season of Easter lasts seven weeks, crowned with the Festival of Pentecost.

Order of Daily Prayer

Invocation ✠

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

Memory verses for the week: John 15:5

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 47

Psalm Prayer: Christ Jesus, who gloriously ascended on high, grant that we may both celebrate the mysteries of our redemption, and the glories of Your Ascension, with the jubilations of faith, and may together with the princes of the people, be well-pleasing to You, the God of Abraham. Amen.

Readings:	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Evening</u>
May 9	Numbers 3	Luke 14:25—15:10
May 10	Numbers 8	Luke 15:11-32
May 11	Numbers 9	Luke 16:1-18
May 12	Numbers 10	Luke 16:19-31
May 13	Numbers 11	Luke 17:1-19
May 14	Numbers 12	Luke 17:20-37
May 15	Numbers 13	Luke 18:1-17
May 16	Numbers 14	Luke 18:18-34

Hymn of the Week: *LSB* 492 "On Christ's Ascension I Now Build"

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

Collect for the Sixth Sunday of Easter:

O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; 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 Ascension Day:

Lord Jesus Christ, after your resurrection you gloriously ascended into heaven. Grant us the help of your grace, that as you promised to dwell with us always on earth, so in heart and mind we may never cease to dwell with you in heaven, where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

For all graduates and those preparing to enter college or the work force
For the graduates among our ECC, our parish, family and friends
For expectant mothers and couples who are planning an adoption

For Irene Anderson, David & Jeanne Beck, Tim & Alarice Carrao, Livy Contreras, Rev. Perry Copus, Garney & Linda Hill, Tripp Hughes, Sharon Kernes, Jean Kraft, Shirley Laber, Kay Medick, John Schroeder, Nat & Joyce Serfass, and Beverly Welty.

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:

The Ascension of Our Lord

May 13, 2021

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 16, 2021

Hymns: 821; 544; 644; 517 (v1,13,3); 696; 651; 493; 525; 531; 701; 553; 492

Readings: Psalm 1; Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53

Sunday: Acts 1:12-26; 1 John 5:9-15; John 17:11-19

The Easter season draws to a conclusion with the departure of Christ into the heavenly realms, yet He remains with us always, according to His promise. It is by His strength and Holy Spirit that we believe and confess our faith, so it is fitting that we witness the confession of faith of this year's confirmation class on this day. May the Almighty, risen and ascended Lord Jesus continue to strengthen this faith in our hearts until the Day when He comes again in glory.