

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 Seventh Week of Easter
May 16, 2021 through May 22, 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 verse for the week: 1 Corinthians 11:26

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 1

Psalm Prayer: Make us, O Lord, like a most fruitful tree, planted in Your garden, and vouchsafe that we, being watered by the showers of Your grace, may bring forth to You plenteousness of fruit in due season, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Readings:	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Evening</u>
May 16	Numbers 14	Luke 18:18-34
May 17	Numbers 15	Luke 18:35—19:10
May 18	Numbers 16	Luke 19:11-28
May 19	Numbers 17	Luke 19:29-48
May 20	Numbers 18	Luke 20:1-18
May 21	Numbers 19	Luke 20:19-44
May 22	Numbers 20	Luke 20:45—21:19
May 23	Numbers 21	Luke 21:20-38

Hymn of the Week: *LSB* 544 "O Love, How Deep"

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

The Seventh Commandment

Collect for the Seventh Sunday of Easter:

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father, for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Collect for the Holy Spirit:

Almighty God, send Your Holy Spirit into our hearts that he may rule and direct us according to Your will, comfort us in all our temptations and afflictions, defend us from all error, and lead us into all truth that we, being steadfast in faith, may increase in all good works and in the end obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

For our catechumens preparing for confirmation and reception of the Lord's Supper

For all graduates and those preparing to enter college or the work force

For expectant mothers and couples who are planning an adoption

For the safety of those who must travel long distances regularly

For Irene Anderson, David & Jeanne Beck, Tim & Alarice Carrao, Livy Contreras, 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 Feast of Pentecost

May 23, 2021

Confirmation

Hymns: 497; 913; 636; 615; 768; 500; 865; 867

Readings: Psalm 139; Ezekiel 37:1-14; Acts 2:1-21; John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Ezekiel saw the vision of the dry bones resurrected by the power of God's breath—the Holy Spirit. When the same Spirit came to the disciples as Jesus promised prior to His ascension, the Church received the same revival as those dry bones. Armed with the true faith in Christ, we stand strong in the Spirit and thank our merciful Father for His promise never to leave His called and redeemed people.