

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 Pentecost
May 23, 2021 through May 29, 2021

All baptized Christians are royal priests placed in their respective vocations, in which they offer their own lives as living sacrifices for the sake of their neighbors. An integral part of their priestly vocation is prayer for one another and their world around them. The Divine Service helps to “bookend” their weekly life of prayer and indeed gives them the words to speak back to God. The Bible, hymnal and catechism work together to structure and enhance prayer, and memorization does not stifle prayer but rather strengthens it.

Order of Daily Prayer

Invocation ✠

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

Memory verse for the week: 2 Timothy 3:16

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 139

Psalm Prayer: O God, protector of heaven and earth, in whose death hell was harrowed, by whose rising again the multitude of saints was gladdened, at whose ascension the host of angels exulted, we pray that, led in the way everlasting, we may be protected by Your mighty arm wherein Your friends rejoice with You in heaven, through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Readings:	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Evening</u>
May 23	Numbers 21	Luke 21:20-38
May 24	Numbers 22-23	Luke 22:1-23
May 25	Numbers 24	Luke 22:24-46
May 26	Numbers 27	Luke 22:47-71
May 27	Numbers 32	Luke 23:1-25
May 28	Numbers 35	Luke 23:26-56
May 29	Ecclesiastes 1-2	Luke 24:1-27
May 30	Ecclesiastes 3-4	Luke 24:28-53

Hymn of the Week: *LSB* 913 “O Holy Spirit, Enter In”

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

Collect for the Feast of Pentecost:

O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; 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 spiritual renewal:

Almighty God, You gave Your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon Himself. Grant that we, Your adopted children by grace, may daily be renewed by Your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For all graduates and those preparing to enter college or the work force
For expectant mothers and couples who are planning an adoption
For a thankful heart for all who gave their lives on behalf of our freedom

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 First Sunday after Pentecost—Holy Trinity

May 30, 2021

Hymns: 876; 506; 948; 620; 507; 940

Readings: Psalm 116; Isaiah 6:1-8; Acts 2:22-36; John 3:1-17

The Athanasian Creed is set aside especially to be confessed by the lips of the Lord's faithful at the celebration of two distinct and lofty mysteries of the faith. Not only do we observe and acknowledge that the Father, Son and Holy Spirit are unified in one Divine essence, so that the three Persons are one God, but also we rejoice in the equally great and foundational doctrine that Jesus Christ is the very Son of God who put on our human flesh so that He could offer Himself as the perfect sacrifice for our salvation and raise up our human nature to sit at the right hand of the Father now and to all ages of ages forever. Praise be to the Holy Trinity! Praise be to Christ, true God and true Man!