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# Holy Cross at Home

## A Daily Prayer and Meditation Guide

For the Week of the Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 19, 2021 through September 25, 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 our priestly vocation is prayer for one another and our world around us. The Divine Service helps to “bookend” our weekly life of prayer and indeed gives us the words to speak back to God. The Bible, hymnal and catechism work together to structure and enhance our 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: Romans 5:8

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 116

*Psalm Prayer:* O Lord, washer away of sins, who quickly comforts the soul that faithfully calls upon You, we beseech You that You would deliver us from the peril of hell, and doing away with the death of sin, restore us to the land of the living; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Readings:	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Evening</u>
September 19	2 Chronicles 35	Colossians 3:1-25
September 20	2 Chronicles 36	Colossians 4:1-18
September 21	Nehemiah 1-2	1 Timothy 1
September 22	Nehemiah 3	1 Timothy 2
September 23	Nehemiah 4	1 Timothy 3
September 24	Nehemiah 5-6	1 Timothy 4:1-16
September 25	Nehemiah 7-8	1 Timothy 5:1-16
September 26	Nehemiah 9:1-21	1 Timothy 5:17—6:2

Hymn of the Week: *LSB* 849 “Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”

Catechism for the Week: The Sacrament of Holy Baptism (see *LSB* p. 325)  
*The Third Part*

*Collect for the Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost:*

Lord Jesus Christ, our support and defense in every need, continue to preserve Your Church in safety, govern her by Your goodness, and bless her with Your peace; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Collect for St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist (Sept. 21):*

O Son of God, our blessed Savior Jesus Christ, You called Matthew the tax collector to be an apostle and evangelist. Through his faithful and inspired witness, grant that we also may follow You, leaving behind all covetous desires and love of riches; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

For our Early Childhood Center, Preschool and Pre-Kindergarten  
For the children and teachers of our Sunday School, and catechism instruction

For Irene Anderson, Glorine Bahl, David & Jeanne Beck, Kellie Bertrand, Tim & Alarice Carrao, Livy Contreras, Perry Copus, Zachary Copus, Lloyd Harfst, Garney & Linda Hill, Tripp Hughes, Marian Johnson, Sharon Kernes, Shirley Laber, Kay Medick, Ron Ringstad, Karl Schroeder, John Schroeder, Darrell Schulz, Nat & Joyce Serfass, 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:

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 26, 2021

Hymns: 901; 851; 615; 619; 850; 921

Readings: Psalm 19; Numbers 11:4-29; James 5:1-20; Mark 9:38-50

After Peter's confession, Jesus predicts His crucifixion. He has set His face toward Jerusalem to bear the sin of the world to death on the cross. And with Jesus' completion of His mission near, He begins to call the disciples to greater maturity in faith. This maturity is particularly exemplified by Christian unity. Even as Christians are being called to greater maturity, James warns of the danger of Christians falling into sin and wandering from the truth but promises that the sinner is forgiven and restored by the ministration of the righteous. Nothing binds the Church together like a mutual forgiveness and counsel from God's Word.