

The Congregation at Prayer

*A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer for the week following
the Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity (November 10th – November 16th)*

CATECHETICAL THEME:

2nd Article of the Creed (Crucifixion)

This Week's Catechetical Theme: 2nd Article of the Creed (Resurrection & Ascension)

This week, our readings focus on the suffering and death of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. His suffering and death on the cross is the center of human history. It is our life in a dying world. It is the center of God's love for us sinners. It is the miracle of all the centuries that God in human flesh dies and faces damnation for His creatures who have rebelled against Him. This is love beyond all telling, and yet, we must tell it again and again. God bless your time in His Word!

Invocation: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Ten Commandments & The Apostles' Creed

The Catechism: 2nd Article of the Creed (Resurrection & Ascension)

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

What does this mean?

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.

Daily Readings	Catechetical Narrative	Second Reading	Psalm
Sunday	A Girl Restored to Life and a Woman Healed Matthew 9:18-26	—	Psalm 84
Monday	The Passion of Our Lord John 19: 17-41	Joseph Interprets Pharaoh's Dreams Genesis 41:1-36	Psalm 85
Tuesday	The Suffering Servant Isaiah 52:13-53:12	Joseph Becomes the Prince of Egypt Genesis 41:37-57	Psalm 86

Wednesday	The Righteousness of God Romans 3:21-26	Joseph's Brothers Journey to Egypt to Buy Food Genesis 42:1-24	Psalm 87
Thursday	Jesus Humbled Himself Philippians 2:5-8	Joseph Feeds His Brothers and Sends Them to Their Father Genesis 42:25-38	Psalm 88
Friday	Ransomed through the Blood of Jesus 1 Peter 1:18-29	Benjamin Returns with His Brothers to Egypt Genesis 43:1-34	Psalm 89
Saturday	Isaiah 51:9-16	Colossians 1:9-14	Psalm 90

Questions to Discuss in the Home

Sun: Reflect upon today's text and sermon **Mon- Fri:** For each day's reading, answer the following questions: How do we see the Second Article of the Creed in this text? In what way does the reading reveal the suffering of Jesus? What is the significance of Jesus' suffering and death? **Sat:** In preparation for Sunday, reflect upon today's texts.

Memory Verse

He was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed (Isaiah 53:5).

In Our Prayers this Week

For Circuit Vacancies: Messiah Lutheran (Carlyle). **For Our Veterans:** Kayli Brandt, Elbert Brink, Evan Corry, Roy Defend, Glen Edwards, Vernon Freund, Skipp Golding, Carl Hanke, Steve Haun, Eddie Hermsmeyer, Dennis Kleiboeker, Paul Kleiboeker, Jerry Mines, Earl Schneider, Don Will. **For Those newly Married:** Carter & Hannah Mize. **For Those Recovering from Surgery:** Bob Koontz (Friend of Caroline Tate), Caroline Tate, Marilyn Edwards, Hudson Hanke, Kim Childress (David Childress' Sister), Dawna Wander (Friend of Dave Childress). **For Those in Need of Healing:** Elbert Brink, Sharon Hanke. **For Those Undergoing Medical Treatments/Testing:** Eli Kuper, Marla Corry, Beth Jones (daughter-in-law of Mike Jones), Alexis Tehandon (Granddaughter of Debra Wells). **For Those Who Are Dealing with Chronic Pain:** Barb Mueller, Sam Tepe (brother of Angie Siddell), Ariana Nolte, Randy Zimmermann. **Baptismal Birthdays:** Riley Terry (11/11), Raeshelle Braye (11/14), Blake Hanke (11/16). **Wedding Anniversaries:** Steve & Cindy Hoffmann (11/11).

The Lord's Prayer and Morning or Evening Prayer From the Small Catechism

Hymn of the Week: In the Very Midst of Life (LSB 755)