The Congregation at Prayer

A guide for daily meditation and prayer the week following
Reformation – October 25, 2026
Simple orders can be found on pages 294-298 in LSB or you may use the following order

Invocation

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

Psalm 149

Verse of the Month

Psalm 3:7-8 **7** Arise, O Lord! Save me, O my God! For Thou hast smitten all mine enemies upon the cheekbone; Thou hast broken the teeth of the ungodly. **8** Salvation belongeth unto the Lord. Thy blessing is upon Thy people.

10 Commandments & Apostles' Creed

Hymn of the Week

For All the Saints (*LSB* 677/*TLH* 463)

Reading from Holy Scripture

Members may choose…
- Read the Bible in a year (church website) or children's The Story Bible *(CPH)*
- Readings appointed from the Daily Lectionary (LSB p. 299-304)

Looking forward to the Feast of All Saints

Monday: Revelation 7:2-17
Tuesday: I John 3:1-3
Wednesday: Matthew 5:1-12
Thursday: *"A great multitude from all tribes and peoples and languages,"* cry out *"salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne"* (Rev. 7:9-17). Faith-filled saints from every place and time with unified voices eternally magnify the Lamb of God. As His beloved children, we too, "*shall see Him as He is"* (I John 3:1-3). Joined with the throng of angels and a myriad of saints, we shall *"serve Him day and night in His temple"* (Rev. 7:9-17). In our earthly tension vacillating between saint and sinner, faith and doubt, sacred and profane, we earnestly seek Jesus to calm our fears, comfort our spirits, and forgive our sins. The Holy Spirit, through faith in Christ propels us forward, fortifying us in Word and Sacrament, to our eternal home. In the midst of our constant struggle as believers, we need to be blessed. And so we are. The poor in spirit, the meek, the hungry, the thirsty, the merciful, the pure, and the persecuted are all blessed and we will most certainly inherit the kingdom of heaven (Matt. 5:1-12).

Catechism for the Week: The Second Article of the Creed

Of Redemption. 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. He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil. He did this not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, so that I may be His own, 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.

Prayers:

Collect of the Week ("By All Your Saints in Warfare" LSB 517:4)

Apostles, prophets, martyrs, And all the noble throng Who wear the spotless raiment And raise the ceaseless song—
For these, passed on before us, We offer praises due And, walking in their footsteps, Would live our lives for You.
Amen.

In Our Prayers This Week:

Mark Siddons, Betty Beierle, Hella Goering, Arnie Oelkers, Russell Korntheuer

Lord's Prayer

Morning Prayer

I thank You, my Heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger. And I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and all evil, so that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, so that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen

Evening Prayer

I thank You, my Heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day. And I pray, forgive me all my sins, where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, so that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer

The eyes of all wait upon Thee, O Lord; and Thou givest them their meat in due season; Thou openest Thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing. Lord God, Heavenly Father, bless us and these Thy gifts, which we receive from Thy bountiful goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Closing

Let us bless the Lord: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Hymn of the Month

O Lord, Look Down from Heaven, Behold (*TLH* 260)

Reading from the Book of Concord

Portions of Luther's Large Catechism p.410-420
From Concordia: The Lutheran Confessions (CPH)