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 Easter, Resurrection of Our Lord
April 20, 2025 through April 26, 2025

Christ is Risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Christ's death was not a tragic failure but rather a glorious success. He entered suffering and death as an Innocent Victim to gain the ultimate victory over death and Satan. Faith in the Christ who is risen 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 is a "Week of Weeks" crowned with the Festival of Pentecost, day number 50.

Order of Daily Prayer

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

Memory verse for the week: Acts 2:41 *"So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls."*

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 142
Psalm Prayer: O Lord, we make our prayer unto You with a lowly voice, beseeching Your lovingkindness, that by Your help, for You are our hope, we may obtain with Your elect a portion in the land of the living; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Readings:	Morning	Evening
April 20	Genesis 41:28-57	Mark 11:20-33
April 21	Genesis 42:1-34,38	Mark 12:1-12
April 22	Genesis 43:1-28	Mark 12:13-27
April 23	Genesis 44:1-18,32-34	Mark 12:28-44
April 24	Genesis 45:1-20,24-28	Mark 13:1-23
April 25	Genesis 47:1-31	Mark 13:24-37
April 26	Genesis 48:29-50:26	Mark 14:1-11
April 27	Exodus 1:1-22	Mark 14:12-31

Hymn of the Week: *LSB* 465 "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds"

Catechism for the Week: The Lord's Prayer – *The Fourth Petition* (see *LSB* p. 324)

Collect for Easter Day:
Almighty God, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. We humbly pray that we may live before You in righteousness and purity forever; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Collect:
Lord God, heavenly Father, who didst deliver Thy Son for our offenses, and didst raise Him again for our justification: We beseech Thee, grant us Thy Holy Spirit, that He may rule and govern us according to Thy will; graciously keep us in the true faith; defend us from all sins, and after this life raise us unto eternal life, through the same, Thy beloved Son, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

Special Petitions:
For those who are estranged from the Church or have never known Christ
For parents as they protect and raise their children in the fear of the Lord
For our Early Childhood Center and Preschool

For Edward, Bernice Baggs, Cole Baresel, Tim Carrao, Ben Cutter, Bryan, Alice Harfst, Kelly & Steven Henry, Sandy Hiatt, Tripp Hughes, Keith Johnson, Elizabeth & Bennett Kellogg, Eila Kern, Emma Kranz, Ed Scarborough, Darrell Schulz, Gary Shaffer, Sharon Thomas, Chris Thompson and Elenita Wendt

Lord's Prayer ✠
Morning Prayer or Evening Prayer or Prayer 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:
Second Sunday of Easter - April 27, 2025
Hymns: 473, 470, 480, 597, 490, 464
Readings: Psalm 33; Ezekiel 37:1-14; 1 John 5:4-10; John 20:19-31