

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 Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 26, 2026 through May 2, 2026

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: 1 Corinthians 15:51-52 *"Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed."*

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 87

Psalm Prayer: O Christ, the foundation of our faith, who sets up the gates of eternity with the strong wall of righteousness in holy minds as upon lofty mountains; grant that we may believe gloriously in You, and confess by preaching that You were made Man for our redemption. Amen.

Readings:	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Evening</u>
April 26	Genesis 29:1-30	Mark 9:14-32
April 27	Genesis 35	Mark 9:33-50
April 28	Genesis 37	Mark 10:1-12
April 29	Genesis 39	Mark 10:13-31
April 30	Genesis 40	Mark 10:32-52
May 1	Genesis 41:1-27	Mark 11:1-19
May 2	Genesis 41:28-57	Mark 11:20-33
May 3	Genesis 42:1-34,38	Mark 12:1-12

Hymn of the Week: *LSB* 709 "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

Catechism for the Week: Confession (see *LSB* p. 326)

What is confession? What sins should we confess? Which are these?

Collect for the Fourth Sunday of Easter:

Almighty God, You show those in error the light of Your truth so that they may return to the way of righteousness. Grant faithfulness to all who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's Church that they may avoid whatever is contrary to their confession and follow all such things as are pleasing to You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Collect:

Lord God, heavenly Father, who didst through Thy Son promise us Thy Holy Spirit, that He should convince the world of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment: We beseech Thee, enlighten our hearts, that we may confess our sins, through faith in Christ obtain everlasting righteousness, and in all our trials and temptations retain this consolation, that Christ is Lord over the devil and death, and all things, and that He will graciously deliver us out of all our afflictions, and make us forever partakers of eternal salvation, through the same, Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, 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 Bernice Baggs, Bev Carter, Greg Fields, Bryan, Linda Hill, Amie Land,
Jennifer Miller, Katherine Rogers, Darrell Schulz, Sharon Thomas, Chris
Thompson, 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:

Fifth Sunday of Easter – May 3, 2026

Hymns: 473, 556, 465, 633, 797, 475

Readings: Psalm 66; Isaiah 12:1-6, James 1:16-21; John 16:5-15