

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 the Eighth Sunday after Trinity
July 26, 2026 through August 1, 2026

The congregation gathers around the Word of God and the Sacraments each week, and this precious, spiritual food feeds the flock as they return to their callings in life. The purpose of this guide is to encourage family prayer at home, and to base that prayer on the Word of God that was heard in church. Not all of the following material needs to be followed. Please feel free to use what your family finds helpful in your devotional practice together.

Order of Daily Prayer

Invocation ✠

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

Memory verse for the week: Romans 5:8 "*but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*"

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 41

Psalm Prayer: Lord Jesus, healer of soul and body, You said, "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy." Teach us to come to the aid of the needy in a spirit of love, as we have been received and strengthened by You, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Readings:	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Evening</u>
July 26	Proverbs 9	John 13:21-38
July 27	Proverbs 10	John 14:1-17
July 28	Proverbs 11	John 14:18-31
July 29	Proverbs 12	John 15:1-11
July 30	Proverbs 13	John 15:12-27
July 31	Proverbs 14	John 16:1-16
August 1	Proverbs 15	John 16:17-33
August 2	Proverbs 17-19	John 16:17-33

Hymn of the Week: *LSB* 666 "O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe"

Catechism for the Week: Table of Duties (see *LSB* p. 328)
To Youth

Collect for the Eighth Sunday after Trinity:

Grant to us, Lord, the Spirit to think and do always such things as are right, that we, who cannot do anything that is good without You, may be enabled by You to live according to Your will; 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, we most heartily thank Thee that Thou hast caused us to come to the knowledge of Thy word. We pray Thee: graciously keep us steadfast in this knowledge unto death, that we may obtain eternal life; send us now and ever pious pastors, who faithfully preach Thy word, without offense or false doctrine, and grant them long life. Defend us from all false teachings, and frustrate Thou the counsels of all such as pervert Thy word, who come to us in sheep's clothing, but are inwardly ravening wolves, that Thy true Church may evermore be established among us, and be defended and preserved from such false teachers, through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

Special Petitions:

For all graduates and those preparing to enter college or the work force
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 the blessings of freedom in our country

For Bernice Baggs, Bev Carter, Greg Fields, Bryan, Linda Hill, Sid Keltner,
Amie Land, Jennifer Miller, Katherine Rogers, Darrell Schulz, Sharon Thomas,
Chris Thompson, Bev Thorpe, 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:

Ninth Sunday after Trinity – August 2, 2026

Hymns: 977, 724, 730, 635, TLH 437, 924

Readings: Psalm 51; 2 Samuel 22:26-34; 1 Corinthians 10:6-13; Luke 16:1-13