

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 Transfiguration of Our Lord
February 14, 2021 through February 20, 2021

As you use this devotional resource at home, you may use or omit certain parts, as you think would fit for your family group. Try to keep some of the basic elements, like Scripture reading and prayer, especially the Lord's Prayer, and add others later as your devotional time builds. If you cannot sing the hymn, read a stanza or two and reflect on its message. As with all things, they get better with practice! May the Lord bless you and those with whom you pray, and may He graciously bring us back together in worship as the Body of Christ, as we see the great, final Day approaching.

Order of Daily Prayer

Invocation ✠

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

Memory verse for the week: James 5:16

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 51

Psalm Prayer: O Lord Jesus Christ, God of our salvation, who by Your salutary Passion extinguishes all our evil passions; give to us Your servants forgiveness of our sins and remission of our guilt, to the end that from You, O Lord, we may one day receive eternal life. Amen.

Readings:	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Evening</u>
February 14	Job 10:1-22	John 5:1-18
February 15	Job 11:1-20	John 5:19-29
February 16	Job 12:1-25	John 5:30-47
February 17	Genesis 1:1-19	Mark 1:1-13
February 18	Genesis 1:20—2:3	Mark 1:14-28
February 19	Genesis 2:4-25	Mark 1:29-45
February 20	Genesis 3:1-24	Mark 2:1-17
February 21	Genesis 4:1-26	Mark 2:18-28

Hymn of the Week: *LSB* 418 "O Lord, throughout These Forty Days"

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

To Widows

Collect for the Transfiguration of Our Lord:

O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Collect for Ash Wednesday (Feb. 17):

Almighty and everlasting God, You despise nothing You have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and contrite hearts that lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness we may receive from You full pardon and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Special Petitions

For a penitent heart as the season of Lent begins

For our local and national lawmakers and leaders

For the Church's mission work in: Japan, South Korea, and Siberia

For Irene Anderson, Jeanne Beck, Tim & Alarice Carrao, Rev. Perry Copus, Phyllis Henry, Garney & Linda Hill, Tripp Hughes, Jean Kraft, Eileen Losey, Kay Medick, Diane Pirtle, Nat & Joyce Serfass, and Beverly Welty.

Lord's Prayer ✠

Morning Prayer or Evening Prayer or Prayers 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:

First Sunday in Lent

February 20, 2021

Hymns: 668; 562; 656; 617; 730; 655

Readings: Psalm 91; Genesis 22:1-18; James 1:12-18; Mark 1:9-15

Martin Luther's well-known hymn *A Mighty Fortress* has long been associated with this Sunday, reminding us of Jesus' battle in the wilderness with that "old evil Foe," Satan. He prevailed for our sake by using the written Word that He spoke to answer each and every one of the Enemy's attacks. This is more than just an object lesson on how we are to answer evil challenges to our faith—this is our mighty Savior earning our salvation before our very eyes and ears!