

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 Third Sunday in Lent  
March 7, 2021 through March 13, 2021

Lent is a forty-day period of introspection, confession of sin, and of increased prayer and worship of our Lord. Whether we fast or “give up” something or not, our reflection on God’s Word during this season is the key. It helps ready our hearts to celebrate with true Christian joy at the Easter festival. There is a reason why our Lord Jesus Christ came to this earth, and it was to do battle with Satan for our sake, to be counted as the sinner in the eyes of God, instead of us, and to suffer and die so that we might live. Because of Lent, Easter is so much more meaningful and celebratory.

### Order of Daily Prayer

Invocation ☩

Apostles’ Creed (see *LSB* p. 286)

Memory verse for the week: 1 Corinthians 10:4

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 69

*Psalm Prayer:* O most merciful Lord, hear us in the truth of Your salvation, that, delivered from the filth of sin, we may be written in the Book of Life by Your heavenly finger; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Readings:	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Evening</u>
March 7	Genesis 28	Mark 9:1-13
March 8	Genesis 29	Mark 9:14-32
March 9	Genesis 35	Mark 9:33-50
March 10	Genesis 37	Mark 10:1-12
March 11	Genesis 39	Mark 10:13-31
March 12	Genesis 40	Mark 10:32-52
March 13	Genesis 41:1-27	Mark 11:1-19
March 14	Genesis 41:28-57	Mark 11:20-33

Hymn of the Week: *LSB* 579 “The Law of God Is Good and Wise”

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

*To Everyone*

*Collect for the Third Sunday in Lent:*

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Collect for agriculture:*

Almighty God, You bless the earth to make it fruitful, bringing forth in abundance whatever is needed for the support of our lives. Prosper the work of farmers and all those who labor to bring food to our table. Grant them seasonable weather that they may gather in the fruits of the earth in abundance and proclaim Your goodness with thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

For our local and national lawmakers and leaders  
For a penitent heart and prayerful devotion throughout the season of Lent  
For Missouri Synod districts that are meeting in convention  
For those who hunger and are in need of help and warmth  
For the Church's mission work in: Kenya, Togo, and Siberia

For Irene Anderson, Jeanne Beck, Tim & Alarice Carrao, Rev. Perry Copus, Phyllis Henry, Garney & Linda Hill, Tripp Hughes, Jean Kraft, Shirley Laber, 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:

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 14, 2021

Hymns: 544; 744; 571; 618; 566; 651

Readings: Psalm 107; Numbers 21:4-9; Ephesians 2:1-10; John 3:14-21

There is quite a huge range from "You were dead in trespasses and sins" to "We are His workmanship, created...for good works," all in the span of ten verses in Ephesians. It is an impossible gap for us to bridge, but our impossible salvation was accomplished for us by our Savior Jesus Christ, who revealed the boundless love of God for us in giving Himself for our sake. Whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.