

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 Epiphany Of Our Lord  
January 2, 2022 through January 8, 2022

As you use this devotional resource at home, you may use or omit certain parts, as you see fit for your family group. Be sure to include the basic elements, like Scripture reading and prayer, especially the Lord's Prayer, and add others later. 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 gather us again as the Body of Christ, since we know the great, final Day approaches.

### Order of Daily Prayer

Invocation ✠

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

Memory verse for the week: Romans 13:10

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 72

*Psalm Prayer:* O Lord, to Whom the kings bring their gifts, Who came to save the poor from the mighty, and frail mankind from the sway of the enemy, let Your loving kindness deliver us now from his service, restore us to You, and keep us safely to abide in You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Readings:	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Evening</u>
January 2	Isaiah 66:1-20	Luke 3:21-38
January 3	Ezekiel 1:1-28	Romans 1:1-17
January 4	Ezekiel 2:1—3:11	Romans 1:18-32
January 5	Ezekiel 3:12-27	Romans 2:1-16
January 6	Ezekiel 18:1-32	Romans 2:17-29
January 7	Ezekiel 33:1-20	Romans 3:1-18
January 8	Ezekiel 34:1-24	Romans 3:19-31
January 9	Ezekiel 36:13-28	Romans 4:1-25

Hymn of the Week: *LSB* 395 "O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright"

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

*To Parents*

*Collect for the Epiphany of Our Lord (January 6):*

O God, by the leading of a star You made known Your only-begotten Son to the Gentiles. Lead us, who know You by faith, to enjoy in heaven the fullness of Your divine presence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*Collect for the Second Sunday after Christmas:*

Almighty God, You have poured into our hearts the true Light of Your incarnate Word. Grant that this Light may shine forth in our lives; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

For those who are traveling or returning home  
For families who need food, warmth and other everyday necessities  
For those suffering from depression and other mental health issues  
For Christians around the world celebrating our Savior's birth  
For Holy Cross members who have not attended Divine Service recently

For Irene Anderson, Glorine Bahl, Margery Baresel, David & Jeanne Beck, Tim & Alarice Carrao, Livy Contreras, Lloyd Harfst, Phyllis Henry, Garney & Linda Hill, Tripp Hughes, Beverly Ingels, Marian Johnson, Irma Kerksiek, Sharon Kernes, Shirley Laber, Kay Medick, Ron Ringstad, John Schroeder, Darrell Schulz, Nat & Joyce Serfass, Elenita Wendt and Linda Yinger.

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:

The Baptism of Our Lord

January 9, 2022

Hymns: 597; 406; 907; 598; 594; 404

Readings: Psalm 2; Isaiah 43:1-7; Romans 6:1-11; Luke 3:15-22

Isaiah gave the comforting words: "When you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you." That is because first the waters of the Jordan River swept over Jesus already at His Baptism, which was administered to Him by none other than John the Baptist. Luke's account of this saving event included the important detail that Jesus was praying during His Baptism and that while both were going on simultaneously, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended in bodily form as a dove. This was included particularly to highlight for us that our Baptism into Christ gives us the gift of prayer.