

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 Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity
September 24, 2023 through September 30, 2023

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 1

Psalm Prayer: Make us, O Lord, like a most fruitful tree planted in Your garden, and as we are watered by the showers of Your grace, grant that we may bring forth plenteousness of fruit in due season; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

| Readings: | <u>Morning</u> | <u>Evening</u> |
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| September 24 | 2 Chronicles 29 | Philippians 3 |
| September 25 | 2 Chronicles 31 | Philippians 4 |
| September 26 | 2 Chronicles 32 | Colossians 1:1-23 |
| September 27 | 2 Chronicles 33 | Colossians 1:24—2:7 |
| September 28 | 2 Chronicles 34 | Colossians 2:8-23 |
| September 29 | 2 Chronicles 35 | Colossians 3:1-25 |
| September 30 | 2 Chronicles 36 | Colossians 4:1-18 |
| October 1 | Nehemiah 1 | 1 Timothy 1 |

Hymn of the Week: *LSB* 703 “How Can I Thank You, Lord”

Catechism for the Week: The Lord's Prayer – *The Conclusion*

Collect for the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity:

O Lord, we pray that Your grace may always go before and follow after us, that we may continually be given to all good works; 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 send Thy Son to be made flesh, that by His death He might atone for our sins and deliver us from eternal death: We pray Thee, confirm in our hearts the hope that our Lord Jesus Christ, who with but a word raised the widow's son, in like manner will raise us on the last day, and grant us eternal life: through Thy beloved 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 our newly elected Synod leaders and the mission of Synod congregations
For the children of our Early Childhood Center and their families

For Irene Anderson, Glorine Bahl, Cole Baresel, Jeanne Beck, Ken Bolliger, Tim Carrao, Rev. Perry Copus, Bryan, Linda Hill, Tripp Hughes, Marian Johnson, Emma Kranz, Casey McCormick, the family of Kay Medick, Jackie Mulford, Darrell Schulz, Nat & Joyce Serfass, Chris Thompson and Blanch Weymuth.

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:

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity – October 1, 2023

Hymns: 906; 557; 630; 618; 850; 768

Readings: Psalm 2; Proverbs 25:6-14; Ephesians 4:1-6; Luke 14:1-11