

INVOCATION *(make the sign of the holy cross and say)*

In the Name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the ☩ life everlasting.

PSALMODY *(sing or read out loud each day)*

Psalm 118

LEARN BY HEART LUTHER’S SMALL CATECHISM: The Creed

The First Article—Creation

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth.

What does this mean? (part 2)

He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true.

DAILY READINGS

Sunday:	Psalm 85	Exodus 30-31	Nehemiah 11:1-12:26	1 Corinthians 3
Monday:	Psalm 86	Exodus 32	Nehemiah 12:27-47	1 Corinthians 4
Tuesday:	Psalm 87	Exodus 33	Nehemiah 13	1 Corinthians 5
Wednesday:	Psalm 88	Exodus 34	Esther 1	1 Corinthians 6
Thursday:	Psalm 89	Exodus 35:1-29	Esther 2	1 Corinthians 7
Friday:	Psalm 90	Exodus 35:30-36:38	Esther 3	1 Corinthians 8
Saturday:	Psalm 91	Exodus 37	Esther 4	1 Corinthians 9

HYMN OF THE WEEK

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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PRAYERS

The following suggestions are offered as an aid in developing the habit of praying for ourselves and others each week:

Sunday: For the joy of the resurrection among us; for the fruit of faith nourished by Word and Sacrament.

Monday: For faith to live in the promise of Holy Baptism; for one’s calling and daily work; for the unemployed; for the salvation and well-being of our neighbors; for schools, colleges, and seminaries; for good government and for peace.

Tuesday: For deliverance against temptation and evil; for the addicted and despairing, the tortured and oppressed; for those struggling with sin.

Wednesday: For marriage and family, that husbands and wives, parents and children live in ordered harmony according to God’s Word; for parents who must raise children alone; for our communities and neighborhoods.

Thursday: For the Church and her pastors; for deacons, teachers, and other church workers; for missionaries and for all who serve the Church; for fruitful and salutary use of the blessed Sacrament of Christ’s body and blood.

Friday: For faithful preaching of the holy cross of our Lord Jesus Christ; for the spread of His knowledge throughout the whole world; for the persecuted and oppressed; for the sick and dying.

Saturday: For faithfulness to the end; for the renewal of those who are withering in the faith or have fallen away; for receptive hearts and minds to God’s Word on the Lord’s Day; for pastors as they prepare to administer and for people as they prepare to receive Christ’s holy gifts.

O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the Promised Land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

O Lord, look down from Heaven. Behold, visit, and relieve Your servants who stand in need of our prayers: **[insert the names of family members, friends, church members, government officials, those in need, etc.]** Look upon them with the eyes of Your mercy. Grant them comfort and sure confidence in You. Defend them from all danger, and keep them in perpetual peace and safety, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy Name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but ☩ deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever.