

11 RECITE PORTION OF THE CATECHISM AND MEANING

The Third Article

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. Amen.

What does this mean?

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.

In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

In this Christian church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers.

On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true..

12 PRAYER BASED ON THE PORTION OF THE CATECHISM

Prayer based on the Third Article (Part 2) of the Apostles' Creed - Holy Father, by your Spirit you brought me to faith in your Son and made me a member of his Body, the Church. I thank you that you daily and richly forgive my many sins, giving me comfort and peace in this life and a certain hope for the life to come. Give me joy in the promise you made to me in Baptism and a ready heart to hear and keep your Word; through Jesus Christ, my Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. [from Luther's Small Catechism: with explanation; Concordia Pub, pg. 221]

13 IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK - INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

- ⇒ For President John Wille being treated for Prostate Cancer
- ⇒ For Jonny Lowell (Dave Bjornstad's nephew) for proper medical diagnosis and treatment..
- ⇒ For Merlin Wangen in Memory Care at Spring Brook Assisted Living
- ⇒ For Marge Warner (Cole Warner's aunt) with pancreatic cancer

14 HYMN OF THE WEEK AND UPCOMING SUNDAY LESSONS

Holy, Holy, Holy LSB 507: *stnz 1* Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee; Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity! *stnz 2* Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, Which wert and art and evermore shalt be. *stnz 3* Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see, Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee, Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity. *stnz 4* Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

For June 11, 2nd Sunday after Pentecost (Pr 5): Hosea 5:15-6:6 I desire mercy ... and acknowledgment of God.; **Psalm 119:65-72** The Lord has dealt well with His servant.; **Romans 4:13-25** Abraham in hope believed.; **Matthew 9:9-13** "I came not to call the righteous, but sinners."



The Gift of Grace Lutheran Congregation at Prayer

A guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer
For the Week of The Holy Trinity
June 4 through June 10

1 INVOCATION - MAKE THE SIGN OF THE CROSS AND SAY:
In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

2 CONFESS 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 sits 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. Amen .

3 PRAY THE LORD'S PRAYER
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. Amen.

4 PRAY THE MORNING OR EVENING PRAYER

Morning. I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Evening. I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

5 AT MEAL TIME ASK BLESSING THEN AFTERWARDS RETURN THANKS

Blessing before meal

“The eyes of all look to You, [O LORD,] and You give them their food at the proper time. You open Your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing.” (Ps. 145: 15–16)

Lord God, heavenly Father, bless us and these Your gifts which we receive from Your bountiful goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Returning Thanks after meal

“Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good. His love endures forever. [He] gives food to every creature. He provides food for the cattle and for the young ravens when they call. His pleasure is not in the strength of the horse, nor His delight in the legs of a man; the LORD delights in those who fear Him, who put their hope in His unfailing love.” (Ps. 136:1, 25; 147:9–11)

We thank You, Lord God, heavenly Father, for all Your benefits, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen.

6 PRAY THE PSALMS

General Wk 2	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	19, 150	135, 145	123, 146	15; 147:1-12	116, 147:13-21	130, 148	56, 149
Evening	81, 113	97, 112	30, 86	48, 4	80, 27	32, 139	100, 63

7 RECITE THE VERSE OF THE WEEK: Isaiah 6:3b

Alleluia. Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory! Alleluia.

Theme of the Week: The Thrice Holy Triune God

8 READ DAILY SCRIPTURE PASSAGES

SUN
Deuteronomy 6:1-15; Ephesians 4:1-16; John 1:1-18

MON
Ruth 1:1-18; 1 Timothy 1:1-17; Luke 13:1-9

TUE
Ruth 1:19-2:13; 1 Timothy 1:18-2:8; Luke 13:10-17

WED
Ruth 2:14-23; 1 Timothy 3:1-16; Luke 13:18-30

THU
Ruth 3:1-18; 1 Timothy 4:1-16; Luke 13:31-35

FRI
Ruth 4:1-22; 1 Timothy 5:17-25; Luke 14:1-11

SAT
Deuteronomy 1:1-8; 1 Timothy 6:6-21; Luke 14:12-24

9 PRAY THE PRAYER OF THE WEEK

The Holy Trinity Almighty and everlasting God, You have given us grace to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity by the confession of a true faith and to worship the Unity in the power of the Divine Majesty. Keep us steadfast in this faith and defend us from all adversities; for You, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, live and reign, one God, now and forever. Amen.

10 READ INTRODUCTION TO PORTION OF CATECHISM FOR THIS WEEK

The Third Article (Part 2) of the Apostles’ Creed – When we read the description of the Church in Acts 2:42-47 we will note a number of instructive elements. Those who had just been baptized devoted themselves to the apostle’s teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of the bread and the prayers. This is the Holy Spirit’s work to gather believers together to hear the preaching of the Gospel, to share in the Lord’s Supper, and to do so in the context of the prayers of the Church. We continue to read of the common life shared by believers and the desire to gather together often. God did not create us to live in isolation from one another, but as he calls us to faith in his Son, we are joined to Christ as various members of Christ’s body, the Church. It is within the context of Christ’s Church that we continue to receive the forgiveness of sins that we desperately need in order to have life and salvation.