

## 11 RECITE PORTION OF THE CATECHISM AND MEANING

### The Doxology to the Lord's Prayer:

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

### What does "Amen" mean?

Amen, means, Yes, it shall be so. We say Amen because we are certain that such petitions are pleasing to our Father in heaven and are heard by Him. For He Himself has commanded us to pray in this way and has promised to hear us.

## 12 PRAYER BASED ON THE PORTION OF THE CATECHISM

**Prayer based on The Doxology to the Lord's Prayer** Our Father in heaven, grant us certainty to pray according to Your command and in the confidence that You have promised to hear us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen [from Luther's Small Catechism: with explanation; Concordia Pub, pg. 280]

## 13 IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK - INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

- ⇒ For Carol Halderson coping with dementia
- ⇒ For Janet Sisul being cared for
- ⇒ For Pastor Dave Steffenson battling cancer
- ⇒ For Sue Reget who suffered a brain aneurism
- ⇒ For Doris Stanke, Anne Warner's mother, with dementia
- ⇒ For Cynthia Granger, Naomi Rislow's sister
- ⇒ battling cancer.
- ⇒ For Phil & Pat Webber, Mary Bartos' parents

## 14 HYMN OF THE WEEK AND UPCOMING SUNDAY LESSONS

**O Day Full of Grace** LBW 161: *stnz 1* O day full of grace that now we see Appearing on earth's horizon, Bring light from our God that we may be Replete in his joy this season. God, shine for us now in this dark place; Your name on our hearts emblazon. *stnz 2* O day full of grace, O blessed time, Our Lord on the earth arriving; Then came to the world that light sublime, Great joy for us all retrieving; For Jesus all mortals did embrace, All darkness and shame removing. *stnz 3* For Christ bore our sins, and not his own, When he on the cross was hanging; And then he arose and moved the stone, That we, unto him belonging. His flame will the angelic hosts to raise Our voices in endless singing. *stnz 4* God came to us then at Pentecost, His Spirit new life revealing, That we might no more from him be lost, All darkness for us dispelling. His flame will the mark of sin efface And bring to us all his healing. *stnz 5* When we on that final journey go That Christ is for us preparing, We'll gather in song, our hearts aglow, All joy of the heavens sharing, And walk in the light of God's own place, With angels his name adoring.

**For May 30, The Holy Trinity:** **Isaiah 6:1-8** Isaiah is commissioned as a prophet by the Lord; **Psalms 29** "Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name"; **Acts 2:14a, 22-36** "God has made Him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."; **John 3:1-17** "The Spirit gives birth to spirit."



## The Gift of Grace Lutheran Congregation at Prayer

A guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer  
For the Week of The Day of Pentecost  
May 23 through May 29

**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,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our  
Lord. He was conceived by the power of the  
Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,  
died, and was buried. He descended into hell.  
On the third day he rose again. He ascended  
into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of  
the Father. He will come again to judge the  
living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy  
catholic 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.* We give thanks to you,  
heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ  
your dear Son, that you have protected  
us through the night from all danger and  
harm. We ask you to preserve and keep  
us, this day also, from all sin and evil,  
that in all our thoughts, words and deeds  
we may serve and please you. Into your  
hands we commend our bodies and souls  
and all that is ours. Let your holy angels  
have charge of us, that the wicked one  
have no power over us. Amen.

*Evening.* We give thanks to you,  
heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ  
your dear Son, that you have this day so  
graciously protected us. We beg you to  
forgive us all our sins and the wrong  
which we have done. By your great  
mercy defend us from all the perils and  
dangers of this night. Into your hands we  
commend our bodies and souls and all  
that is ours. Let your holy angels have  
charge of us, that the wicked one have  
no power over us. Amen

**5 AT MEAL TIME ASK BLESSING THEN AFTERWARDS RETURN THANKS**

*Blessing before meal*

“The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD, and you give them their food in due season. You open wide your hand, and satisfy the needs of every living creature.” [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, for his mercy endures forever. He gives food to all creatures. He provides food for flocks and herds and for the young ravens when they cry. He is not impressed by the might of a horse, he has no pleasure in the strength of a man; but the LORD has pleasure in those who fear him, in those who await his gracious favor.” [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. 1	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	103, 150	5, 145	42, 146	89:1-18; 147:1-12	97, 147:13-21	51, 148	104, 149
Evening	117, 139	82, 29	102, 133	1, 33	16, 62	142, 65	118, 111

**7 RECITE THE VERSE OF THE WEEK: Acts 2:16-17a**

But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel: “And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh.”

**Theme of the Week:** Descent of the Gift of the Holy Spirit

**8 READ DAILY SCRIPTURE PASSAGES**

**SUN**  
Isaiah 11:1-9; 1 Corinthians 2:1-13; John 14:21-29

**MON**  
Isaiah 63:7-14; 2 Timothy 1:1-14; Luke 11:24-36

**TUE**  
Isaiah 63:15-64:9; 2 Timothy 1:15-2:13; Luke 11:37-52

**WED**  
Isaiah 65:1-12; 2 Timothy 2:14-26; Luke 11:53-12:12

**THU**  
Isaiah 65:17-25; 2 Timothy 3:1-7; Luke 12:13-31

**FRI**  
Isaiah 66:1-6; 2 Timothy 4:1-8; Luke 12:32-48

**SAT**  
Isaiah 67:7-14; 2 Timothy 4:9-22; Luke 12:49-59

**9 PRAY THE PRAYER OF THE WEEK**

O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**10 READ INTRODUCTION TO PORTION OF CATECHISM FOR THIS WEEK**

**The Doxology to the Lord’s Prayer** “**For thine is kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**” – You will note that the church added the doxology (expression of praise) to the end of the Prayer Jesus taught us to pray. They are not directly the words that Jesus provided as recorded in either Matthew 6 or Luke 11. At the same time, they are wonderful words to end the prayer with and they reflect a number of doxologies in the Scripture. The one that comes readily to mind is that found in 1 Chronicles 29:11, which reads, “Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is Yours. Yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and You are exalted as head above all.” Little wonder we can add the “Amen” to the prayer, for our heavenly Father is more than capable of hearing and answering our prayers!