

Grace at Prayer for Easter 5

Invocation

In the Name of the Father and of the Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

Verse of the Week: Psalm 42:11

“Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation and my God.”

Easter 5	Psalm 37	Leviticus 20:1-16, 22-27	Luke 11:37-54
Monday	Psalm 31	Leviticus 21:1-24	Luke 12:1-12
Tuesday	Psalm 127	Leviticus 23:1-22	Luke 12:13-34
Wednesday	Psalm 116	Leviticus 23:23-44	Luke 12:35-53
Thursday	Psalm 52	Leviticus 24:1-23	Luke 12:54—13:17
Friday	Psalm 119	Leviticus 26:1-20	Luke 13:18-35
Saturday	Psalm 63	Leviticus 26:21-33, 39-44	Luke 14:1-24

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Writing from the Lutheran Confessions

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The Lord's Prayer

Collect for Easter 5

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Sunday: *Pray for the joy of the resurrection among us; for the fruit of faith nourished by the Word and Sacraments.*

Monday: *Pray for faith to live in the promises of Holy Baptism; for one's calling and daily work; for the unemployed; for the salvation and well-being of our neighbors; for Lutheran schools [especially Zion Beaver and Trinity Monitor] and their teachers; for good government and for peace.*

Tuesday: *Pray for the Church and her pastors, musicians, deaconesses, and other church workers; for missionaries [especially Neuendorfs, Erbers, Milans, Roberts, and Jamielynn], and for all who serve.*

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

Thursday: *Pray for repentant hearts, that all would confess their sinfulness along with the sins they committed, and the sins committed against them and seek our Lord and His forgiveness in the Word and Sacraments.*

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

Saturday: *Pray 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 and people as they prepare to administer and receive Christ's holy gifts.*

In Our Prayers This Week: *Dennis (Fran Galke's nephew), Kathy Patron (Deaconess's mom), Herb Pfundt, Rosemary Bush, Doreen Hetzner, Linda Jean, Shirley Wegener, Brian Koehler (who had his knee replaced), Bubba Harrison, Patricia Raab, Sam (Patrick Harrison's dad), Steve VanTol, Ritchie (Jane Volder's brother-in-law who suffered a stroke), Jan Klimaszewski, Elyse (Rosie Taglauer's great-granddaughter), John Beckert, Tom Wegener, Kris (Herb and Judy Pfundt's daughter), Lori Putt, two young women known to a member at GLC who are struggling with mental illness, and all those we name in our hearts. -Good Shepherd Jesus' comfort for the Dominowski Family as they mourn Iris' death. -Thanksgiving to God for the 9 years of work printing His Word by Grace's Large Print workers. -Praise to the Lord for the seminary students who received calls & placements this past week.*

Luther's Morning Prayer or Evening Prayer from the Catechism

Benedicamus

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