Grace at Prayer for Easter Sunday

Invocation

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The Lord's Prayer

Collect for Easter Sunday

Almighty God the Father, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, 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 wellbeing 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.

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