

## Grace at Prayer for Epiphany 1

### 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 75:1

"We give thanks to you, O God; we give thanks, for your name is near.  
We recount your wondrous deeds."

Epiphany 1	Psalm 46	Ezekiel 1:1-14, 22-28	Romans 1:1-17
8 Jan	Psalm 19	Ezekiel 2:1—3:11	Romans 1:18-32
9 Jan	Psalm 62	Ezekiel 3:12-28	Romans 2:1-16
10 Jan	Psalm 85	Ezekiel 18:1-4, 19-32	Romans 2:17-29
11 Jan	Psalm 7	Ezekiel 33:1-20	Romans 3:1-18
12 Jan	Psalm 63	Ezekiel 34:1-24	Romans 3:19-31
13 Jan	Psalm 32	Ezekiel 36:13-28	Romans 4:1-25

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### Writing from the Lutheran Confessions

The Christian life is nothing else than a daily baptism, begun once and continuing ever after. For we must keep at it without ceasing, always purging whatever pertains to the old Adam, so that whatever belongs to the new creature may come forth. What is the old creature? It is what is born in us from Adam, irascible, spiteful, envious, unchaste, greedy, lazy, proud—yes—and unbelieving; it is beset with all vices and by nature has nothing good in it. Now, when we enter Christ's kingdom, this corruption must daily decrease so that the longer we live the more gentle, patient, and meek we become, and the more we break away from greed, hatred, envy, and pride. [Large Catechism, IV:66-67]

### The Lord's Prayer

#### Collect for Epiphany 1

*Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same 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 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, Louis (Herb Pfundt's brother), Linda Jean, Shirley Wegener, Bubba Harrison, Patricia Raab, Sam (Patrick Harrison's dad), Brooke (Mary Jane Swincicki's granddaughter), Elsy (David Whalen's mother-in-law who has been diagnosed cancer), Jan Klimaszewski, John Beckert, Tom Wegener, Dale Fish, Kris (Herb and Judy Pfundt's daughter), Katie (Lisa Bale's cousin), Connie (Erv Kuch's friend who will have surgery), two young women known to a member at GLC who are struggling with mental illness, and all those we name in our hearts. -Peace and hope for Kathy Alexander and her family as they mourn her brother Robert's death. -The joy of dying and rising with Jesus daily in our Baptism so that we walk with Him who is our living, loving, liberating Lord!*

### Luther's Morning Prayer or Evening Prayer from the Catechism

#### Benedicamus

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