

Grace at Prayer for Epiphany 4

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 141:3

“Set a guard, O Lord, over my mouth; keep watch over the door of my lips.”

Epiphany 4	Psalm 12	Zechariah 6:1—7:14	Romans 16:17-27
29 Jan	Psalm 107	Zechariah 8:1-23	2 Timothy 1:1-18
30 Jan	Psalm 33	Zechariah 9:1-17	2 Timothy 2:1-26
31 Jan	Psalm 135	Zechariah 10:1—11:3	2 Timothy 3:1-18
1 Feb	Psalm 28	Zechariah 11:4-17	2 Timothy 4:1-18
2 Feb	Psalm 75	Zechariah 12:1—13:9	Titus 1:1—2:6
3 Feb	Psalm 47	Zechariah 14:1-21	Titus 2:7—3:15

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Writing from the Lutheran Confessions

In the second place, this commandment is violated not only when we do evil, but also when we have the opportunity to do good to our neighbors and to prevent, protect, and save them from suffering bodily harm or injury, but fail to do so. If you send a naked person away when you could clothe him, you have let him freeze to death. If you see anyone who is suffering hunger and do not feed her, you have let her starve. Likewise, if you see anyone who is condemned to death or in similar peril and do not save him although you have means and ways to do so, you have killed him. It will be of no help for you to use the excuse that you did not assist their deaths by word or deed, for you have withheld your love from them and robbed them of the kindness by means of which their lives might have been saved. [Large Catechism, I89]

The Lord's Prayer

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Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; 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, Louis (Herb Pfundt's brother), Linda Jean, Shirley Wegener, Bubba Harrison, Patricia Raab, Sam (Patrick Harrison's dad), Brooke (Mary Jane Swincicki's granddaughter), Jan Klimaszewski, Elyse (Rosie Taglauer's great-granddaughter), John Beckert, Tom Wegener, Kris (Herb and Judy Pfundt's daughter), Katie (Lisa Bale's cousin), two young women known to a member at GLC who are struggling with mental illness, and all those we name in our hearts. -Comfort for David and Yese Whalen and their family as they mourn Yese's mother's death. -The willingness and joy to use our Christian freedom to serve and build up others in love!*

Luther's Morning Prayer or Evening Prayer from the Catechism

Benedicamus

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Thanks be to God.

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