

**The Congregation at Prayer**  
*A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer for the Week of Cantate*  
*May 10<sup>th</sup> through May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020*

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*Pray and confess out loud as much from the order of meditation and prayer as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate. Learn by heart the selection from the catechism, memory verse, and catechism hymn stanza(s) for the week.*

**In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

**Ten Commandments**

**Apostles' Creed**

**The Small Catechism – The Sacrament of Holy Baptism**

What does such baptizing with water indicate?

It indicates that the Old Adam in us should by daily contrition and repentance be drowned and die with all sins and evil desires, and that a new man should daily emerge and arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.

**The Large Catechism – The Sacrament of Holy Baptism**

Here you see that baptism, both by its power and by its signification, comprehends also the third sacrament, formerly called penance, which is really nothing else than baptism. What is repentance but an earnest attack on the old creature and an entering into a new life? If you live in repentance, therefore, you are walking in baptism, which not only announces this new life but also produces, begins, and exercises it. In baptism we are given the grace, Spirit, and strength to suppress the old creature so that the new may come forth and grow strong. – Large Catechism

**Memory Verse**

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. (Galatians 2:20)

**Daily Readings**

Sunday, May 10:	Leviticus 20:1–16, 22–27	Luke 11:37–54	Psalm 96
Monday, May 11:	Leviticus 21:1–24	Luke 12:1–12	Psalm 92
Tuesday, May 12:	Leviticus 23:1–22	Luke 12:13–34	Psalm 136
Wednesday, May 13:	Leviticus 23:23–44	Luke 12:35–53	Psalm 124
Thursday, May 14:	Leviticus 24:1–23	Luke 12:54—13:17	Psalm 66

Friday, May 15:	Leviticus 26:1–20	Luke 13:18–35	Psalm 8
Saturday, May 16:	Leviticus 26:21–33, 39–44	Luke 14:1–24	Psalm 68

### **Prayers**

Let us pray. Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord’s resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

O Lord, look down from heaven, behold, visit, and relieve Your servants who stand in need of our prayers:

**Our Church:** Bethlehem Lutheran Church and Preschool. **Our Synod:** Matthew (Synod President), Timothy (District President), Aaron (Circuit Visitor). **Circuit 7 Vacancies:** Trinity Lutheran Church-Centralia. **Those in Need of Healing:** Sandy Wehking (battling cancer), Kate Schilling, Randy Zimmermann, Jonathan Siddell, Ryan Rounkles (Brother-in-Law of Marla Corry), Rodney Tate, Baker Firebaugh (great nephew of Opal Jones). **Homebound Members:** Mary Boeker, Melvin & Earlene Lange, Ruth Onken, Paul Schierschwitz, Marlene Schierschwitz, Connie Schilling. **Baptismal Birthdays:** 12<sup>th</sup> Don Will Sr., 14<sup>th</sup> Sharon Schneider, 15<sup>th</sup> Lois Defend, Melissa Winkeler. **Anniversary:** 10<sup>th</sup> James & Sara Kuper, 16<sup>th</sup> John & Marla Corry. **Local:** Hospitals – Doctors, nurses, and other staff.

Look upon them with eyes of Your mercy; grant them comfort and sure confidence in You; defend them from all danger, and keep them in perpetual peace and safety, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

### **Lord’s Prayer**

### **Morning or Evening Prayer**