

## **The Congregation at Prayer**

*A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer for the Fourth Sunday after Trinity*  
July 19<sup>th</sup> through July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020

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 and memory verse for the week.

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

### **The Ten Commandments**

### **The Apostles' Creed**

### **The Catechism – The Sacrament of the Altar**

What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?

These words, “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins,” show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.

### **Memory Verse**

If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. (1 John 1:6–7)

### **Daily Reading**

Sunday, July 19:	1 Samuel 2:18–36	Acts 15:22–41	Psalm 139
Monday, July 20:	1 Samuel 3:1–21	Acts 16:1–22	Psalm 29
Tuesday, July 21:	1 Samuel 4:1–22	Acts 16:23–40	Psalm 133
Wednesday, July 22:	1 Samuel 5:1—6:3, 10–16	Acts 18:1–11, 23–28	Psalm 33
Thursday, July 23:	1 Samuel 6:19—7:17	Acts 19:1–22	Psalm 62
Friday, July 24:	1 Samuel 8:1–22	Acts 21:15–36	Psalm 65
Saturday, July 25:	1 Samuel 9:1–27	Acts 21:37—22:16	Psalm 111

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 Who Rejoice:** Jeff & Lissy Withrow (Sam & Angie Siddell’s daughter) at the birth of Connor Sam. **Those**

**Who Mourn:** Edna Jankowski (Sister of Opal Jones) and family at the death of her husband Walter. **Those in Need of Healing:** Sylvia Kleiboeker (knee surgery), Lucille Stein, Sandy Wehking, Kate Schilling, Randy Zimmermann, Jonathan Siddell, Rodney Tate, All affected and sick on account of the Coronavirus. **Homebound Members:** Mary Boeker, Melvin & Earlene Lange, Ruth Onken, Paul Schierschwitz, Marlene Schierschwitz, Connie Schilling. **Baptismal Birthdays:** 21<sup>st</sup> Tracy Schilling, 22<sup>nd</sup> Alayna French, Julie Nolte. **For Government Officials:** Donald Trump (President), JB Pritzker (Governor), and all those who make, administer, and judge our laws. **For Those Who Serve:** Armed Forces, First Responders, Medical Field. **For the World:** That God would deliver us from pestilence, sedition, rebellion, and strife.

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.

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Morning or Evening Prayer (From the Small Catechism)**