

The Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer for the 17th week after Trinity (Sept. 26th-Oct. 2nd)

CATECHETICAL THEME:

3rd Commandment

This Week's Catechetical Theme: 3rd Commandment

We continue our consideration of the Ten Commandments this week by focusing on the Second Commandment, which teaches us how to use the name of the LORD. In fact, the LORD has given His name so that His children might call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks. Of course, His name is holy, above all other names, and so it is good, right, and salutary that His name should be treated as such. And so, we are not to misuse His name by cursing, swearing, using satanic arts, lying, or deceiving by His name. As His children, we are to use His name, and use it often! God bless your time in His Word!

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

The Ten Commandments

The Apostles' Creed

The Catechism: 3rd Commandment

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it.

Daily Readings	Catechetical Narrative	Second Reading	Psalm
Sunday	Jesus Heals the Man with Dropsy on the Sabbath Luke 14:1-11		Psalm 29
Monday	David Appoints Solomon to Succeed Him 1 Kings 1:1 (2-27) 28-35	James 3:1-12	Psalm 30
Tuesday	Solomon Prays for Wisdom 1 Kings 3:1-15	James 3:13-18	Psalm 31
Wednesday	Solomon's Wise Judgment 1 Kings 3:16-28	James 4:1-12	Psalm 32
Thursday	Solomon's Kingdom 1 Kings 4:1, 20-34	James 4:13-17	Psalm 33

Friday	Solomon Prepares to Build the Temple 1 Kings 5:1-18	James 5:1-12	Psalm 34
Saturday	Deuteronomy 10:12-21	1 Corinthians 1:1-9	Psalm 35

Questions to Discuss in the Home

Sun: Reflect upon today's text and sermon. **Mon:** Why did Jesus send messengers into the village? How were the messengers received? How did the disciples respond? What does it mean to curse? **Tues:** Who appeared to Moses? Why did Moses hide his face? What does verse 7 reveal about the Lord? What did the LORD desire to do for His people? What did Moses ask the LORD in verse 13? How did the LORD answer him? What name is given? **Wed:** To whom do the prophets of Baal pray? For how long do they pray? Are their prayers heard? To whom does Elijah pray? How quickly are Elijah's prayers heard? What does this teach us about prayer? **Thurs:** About whom does this passage speak? What does each name reveal about Him? **Fri:** About whom does this passage speak? What names for Him does this passage reveal? What do these names teach us about Him? How do these names encourage us to think about Him? **Sat:** In preparation for Sunday, reflect upon today's texts.

Memory Verse

Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. (Deuteronomy 6:4-5)

In Our Prayers this Week

Our Church: Bethlehem Lutheran Church and Preschool. **Circuit 7 Vacancies:** Trinity Lutheran Church-Centralia. **Those in Need of Healing:** Mike Jones, Carolyn Freund, Neil Haake. **Those Undergoing Cancer Treatment:** Sharon Hanke; Eddie Hermsmeyer. **Those Recovering From Surgery:** Pat Borgelt (Angie Nolte's father). **Those Who Are Sick & Dealing with Chronic Pain:** Ariana Nolte, Barb Mueller, Randy Zimmermann, Rodney Tate, Connie Schilling. **Homebound Members:** Melvin & Earlene Lange, Ruth Onken, Paul Schierschwitz, Marlene Schierschwitz. **Baptismal Birthdays:** Camryn Nolte (9/27), Kathy Brink (9/30), Evan Corry (10/1). **Anniversaries:** Darrin & Sherri Williams, Curt & Monica French (9/26), Glen & Marilyn Edwards, Jeff & Bobbi Tyberendt (9/30), Scott & Whitney Telford, Elizabeth & Joe Terry (10/1).

The Lord's Prayer and Morning or Evening Prayer From the Small Catechism Hymn of the Week: