

Congregation in Prayer - November 15, 2015

Keep calm and proclaim the Law and Gospel. In a world falling apart at the seams it is easy to give into panic. It becomes doubly true when various people begin predicting the end of the world. But we should not be disturbed, for God already no longer remembers our sins and allows us to enter His holy of holies. So, in these days we are free to go forth and proclaim the word of God to a world in turmoil.

[Daniel 12:1–3; Hebrews 10:11–25; Mark 13:1–13]

The Order of Meditation and Prayer

(Pray and confess out loud as much of the Order of Meditation as possible.)

Theme: Keep Calm and Proclaim Law and Gospel

Invocation (Say and make the sign of the cross to remember your baptism)

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit; Amen.

Apostle's Creed

Learn By Heart Verse:

1 Corinthians 12:3 (ESV) Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says "Jesus is accursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except in the Holy Spirit.

The Catechism:

The Creed Third Article <i>I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting.</i>	Pre K +
What does this mean? <i>In this Christian church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers.</i>	Second Grade +
<i>On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.</i>	Fifth Grade +

Daily Bible Readings

Monday	Signs of the Time - Mark 13:1-13
Tuesday	Elisha Feeds His People - 2 Kings 4:38-44
Wednesday	Elisha and the Floating Axehead - 2 Kings 6:1-17
Thursday	Elisha Escapes the Arameans - 2 Kings 6:8-23
Friday	Famine in Besieged Samaria - 2 Kings 6:24-7:20
Weekend	Looking Ahead

Daily Themes for Prayer: First Sunday of the Monday

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 schools, colleges, and seminaries; for good government and for peace.

Tuesday: Pray for deliverance against temptation and evil; for the addicted and despairing, the tortured and oppressed; for those struggling with besetting sins.

Wed: 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 the Church and her pastors; for teachers, deacons, deaconesses, and other church workers; for missionaries and for all who serve the Church; for fruitful and salutary use of the blessed sacrament of Christ's body and blood.

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.

Lord's Prayer

Going with God's Blessing: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Looking ahead to next Divine Service

1 Kings 17:8–16

Heb. 9:24–28

Mark 12:38–44