

**The Congregation at Prayer**  
A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer  
*Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity*  
October 16<sup>th</sup> – October 22<sup>nd</sup>

***The Order of Meditation and Prayer***

*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 verse, catechism, and hymn of the week.*

**Theme:** I Believe In Jesus Christ

***Invocation***

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

***Apostles' Creed***

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life ☩ everlasting. Amen.**

***Verse: Romans 3:21-22a***

“But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe.”

**Catechism:**

**“The Creed”**

**The Second Article:** And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

***What does this mean?***

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is Lord,

who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death,

that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness,

just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.

This is most certainly true.

***Collect for Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity***

O Lord, keep Your household, the Church, in continual godliness that through Your protection she may be free from all adversities and devoutly given to serve You in good works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

***Hymn “Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word” #577 stz. 1-3***

Lord, keep us steadfast in Your Word;

Curb those who be deceit or sword

Would wrest the kingdom from Your Son

And bring to naught all He has done

Lord Jesus Christ, Your pow’r make known,

For You are Lord of lords alone;

Defend Your holy Church that we

May sing Your praise eternally.

O Comforter of priceless worth,

Send peace and unity on earth;

Support us in our final strife

And lead us out of death to life.

*Lord's Prayer*

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

*Morning Prayer*

**I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.**

*Evening Prayer*

**I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.**

“The righteousness of faith consists alone in the forgiveness of sins out of pure grace, for the sake of Christ's merit alone; which blessings are offered us in the promise of the Gospel, and are received, accepted, applied, and appropriated by faith alone.”

*Formula of Concord, Solid Declaration, III, 39b*

### ***Readings for the Week***

| <b>Day</b> | <b>Reading</b>  |
|------------|-----------------|
| Monday     | LSB Hymn #960   |
| Tuesday    | Isaiah 51:1-16  |
| Wednesday  | Isaiah 51:17-23 |
| Thursday   | Isaiah 52:1-15  |
| Friday     | Isaiah 53:1-12  |
| Saturday   | LSB Hymn #960   |

### **In Our Prayers this Week:**

Marvin Wiegand

In the wisdom of Almighty God, Deryl Wergin and Rick Schaffer (brother of Peggy Doering), were delivered from this veil of tears into the nearer presence of the Lord Jesus Christ. Deryl funeral was Saturday, October 15.

Continuing Prayers: Lodeen Clausen, Dawn Crosier, Loren Daubendiek, Leonard Esch, Mel Girl (brother-in-law of Jane Oeltjen)

Missing: Ann Kelley

***Looking forward to Twenty-second Sunday  
after Trinity***

***October 23, 2016***

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***Hymns:*** 907, 611, 621, 843, 703, 606

***Lessons:*** Micah 6:6-8; Philippians 1:3-11; Matthew 18:21-35

**Hymn of the  
Week**

“Chiefs of Sinners Though I Be”

#611