

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

LEARN. PRAY. GROW.

The Last Week of the Church Year and First Week in Advent: Nov 20 - Dec 3, 2022



LEARN-BY-HEART

MEMORIZE TOGETHER AS A FAMILY
SCHOOL STUDENTS EXPECTED TO RECITE ON FRIDAY

Bible Verse

3rd gr.+ [Jesus said,] "It is the Spirit who gives life;
The flesh profits nothing.
The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life" John 6:63

The Third Article of The Apostles' Creed (Part 1 of 2)

PreK+ 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.

What does this mean?

- 1st gr+ 1. I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength
Believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him;
But the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel,
Enlightened me with His gifts,
Sanctified and kept me in the true faith.
2. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies
The whole Christian church on earth,
And keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.



PRAYERS

MANY CHRISTIANS STRUGGLE TO PRAY BECAUSE THEY DON'T KNOW WHO OR WHAT TO
PRAY FOR. USE THIS GUIDE TO PRAY FOR DIFFERENT NEIGHBORS IN THEIR VARIOUS NEEDS.
LET US PRAY...

- Sun ...for all who attend the Divine Service today, that they may be fed with His Word and Sacrament
...for all who do not know the joy of the Resurrection, that they hear and believe the Gospel
- Mon ...for all who begin a new week of work, for the unemployed, for our government, & for our teachers &
students who begin a new week of school
- Tues ...for rescue from temptation and sin, for repentance for those who have fallen away, for the guilty to be
comforted with the Gospel
- Wed ...for all husbands & wives, parents & children, that all families may live in peace according to God's Word
- Thu ...for our Church, our pastors, our teachers, our missionaries, all who serve and volunteer at St. John's
- Fri ...for all who preach Christ crucified this weekend, for Christians who are persecuted, for all who are sick and
dying
- Sat ... for the Holy Spirit to preserve our faith to the End, for our hearts to be ready to hear God's Word at the Divine Service
tomorrow



SCRIPTURE LESSONS

STUDY TO HEAR NEXT SUNDAY

Sun. Nov. 27 - The First Sunday in Advent

Jeremiah 23:5-8 - The Righteous Branch
Romans 13:8-14 - Fulfilling the Law through Love
Matthew 21:1-11 - Jesus' Triumphal Entry

Sun. Dec. 4 - The Second Sunday in Advent

Malachi 4:1-6 - The Great Day of the Lord
Romans 15:4-13 - Christ Is Our Hope
Luke 21:25-36 - The Second Coming of Christ



HYMNS

Church Hymn of the Day for Advent I - "Savior of the Nations, Come" (*LSB* 332)
Church Hymn of the Day for Advent II - "O Lord, How Shall I Meet You" (*LSB* 334)
School Hymn of the Month (Nov.): "Now Thank We All Our God" (*LSB* 895)
School Hymn of the Month (Dec.): "From Heaven Above" (*LSB* 358)
School Year Theme Hymn: "God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It" (*LSB* 594)



FAMILY DEVOTION

Here is a short order you may follow for family devotions around the dinner table or in the living room.

Invocation - In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit - **Amen.**

Recite - the Apostles' Creed and the Learn-by-Heart Bible Verse & Catechism

Read and Discuss - one of the Scripture readings from this past Sunday, from school, or the coming Sunday

Pray - the Lord's Prayer, Luther's morning or evening prayers, and the topical prayers for the day of the week

Sing a hymn - use one of the hymns from the past Sunday, the coming Sunday, or the school year

Benediction

L: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

L: The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

C: Amen.

Luther's Morning & Evening Prayers

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

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