

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

LEARN. PRAY. GROW.

The Second Week in Advent (Populus Zion): Dec 4 - Dec 10, 2022



**LEARN-BY-HEART**

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

Bible Verse

3rd gr.+ You He made alive,  
Who were dead in trespasses and sins. Eph. 2:1

The Third Article of The Apostles' Creed (Part 2 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.
- 2nd gr+ 3. In this Christian church He daily and richly forgives all my sins  
and the sins of all believers.
4. 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.



**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 &  
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. Dec. 11 - The Third Sunday in Advent

Isaiah 40:1-11 - Comfort for God's People

1 Corinthians 4:1-5 - The Apostolic Ministry

Matthew 11:2-10 - Messengers from the Imprisoned John the Baptist



## HYMNS

Church Hymn of the Day for Advent III- "Comfort! Comfort, Ye My People" (*LSB* 347)

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

<p>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</p>	<p>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</p>
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