For the week of the Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost August 21st through August 28th, 2022

Catechesis Notes for the Week — Prayer and Christ's Passion — "Pray that you may not enter into temptation." So Christ encourages His disciples to pray in the darkness of the garden. At first glance it seems like a simple request, but as we look deeper we see that this is the prayer not only for the Disciples that night but for all disciples of Christ. Jesus knew what lay ahead in His own betrayal and arrest, trial and crucifixion. He knew what lay beyond that for His Disciples. Jesus knows what lies ahead for us too. For all, it means suffering. Suffering is a tool used by Satan to temp people to seek temporary relief through sinful means or to despair of faith altogether. But God uses suffering too. What Satan meant for evil, God has used for good. The suffering and death of Jesus means our salvation. The suffering and death of the Disciples means that the Word of their testimony about Jesus and the power of the Spirit has gone out into the world that we may hear and believe. Our own suffering and death means that we are being conformed into the image of Jesus, who suffered and died but was resurrected by the Father. When we face our own suffering and death, may we not enter into temptation but trust in our Father's will to save us.

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: Prayer and Christ's Passion

Invocation

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

Apostles' Creed

Verse: Deuteronomy 6:4-5

"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.

Psalm 50:1-15 and/or the appointed daily psalms listed below

Prayer on the Psalm:

Almighty God, You are the maker and keeper of all things. You take no pleasure in the sacrifice of burnt offerings, for You do not need that which is already Yours. Instead, You desire faithfulness and thanksgiving that all may confess Your name and live. Send us Your Spirit that we may fear, love, and trust in You above all things; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

| Daily Psalms | Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday |
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| Morning | 1, 2 | 5, 6 | 8 | 10 | 13, 14, 15 | 18 | 20, 21 | 23, 24 |
| Evening | 3, 4 | 7 | 9 | 11, 12 | 16, 17 | 19 | 22 | 25 |

Bible Readings for the Week:

| | Bible Narrative | Second Reading |
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| Sunday | Luke 22:39-46 | |
| Monday | The Three Men in the Fiery Furnace—Daniel 3:1-28 (29-30) | Romans 1:1-17 |
| Tuesday | Daniel and the Lions' Den—Daniel 6:1-23 (24) | Romans 1:18-32 |
| Wednesday | A Mighty Wonder, Creation—Genesis 1:1-2:3 St. Bartholomew, Apostle—John 1:43-51 | Romans 2:1-16 |
| Thursday | Jesus Prays in the Garden of Gethsemane—Matthew 26:36-46 | Romans 2:17-29 |
| Friday | Peter Denies His Lord—Matthew 26:69-75 | Romans 3:1-18 |
| Saturday | Zechariah 12:10 | Romans 6:1-14 |

The Catechism: The Ten Commandments — The First and Second Commandment

| What is the First Commandment? You shall have no other gods. | Preschool+ |
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| What does this mean? We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things. | First Grade+ |
| What is the Second Commandment? You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God. | Preschool+ |
| What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not curse, swear, use satanic arts, Lie, or deceive by His name, But call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks. | Second Grade+ |

Prayers on the Catechism

Pray one or all of the following

Prayers on the First Commandment:

O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, You are the only true and living God. Forgive us our sins against the First Commandment. Strengthen us by Your grace to fear, love, and trust in You above all things; in Your holy name we pray. Amen.

Lord God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—You teach us to trust in You above all things because You are the only true and living God. You love us and provide us with everything that we need for our life and salvation. Forgive us for making gods out of ourselves. Forgive us for trusting in our works, money, pleasures, or anything in this world more than we trust in You. By Your forgiveness teach me to fear, love, and trust in You above all things, for You live and reign, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Prayers on the Second Commandment:

Blessed Lord, we are not to misuse Your holy name by cursing, swearing, using satanic arts, lying, or deceiving others. Forgive us our sins against the Second Commandment. Teach us by Your Word and Spirit to call upon You in every trouble, to pray, praise, and give thanks to You at all times; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Heavenly Father, You teach us to call upon Your holy name in prayer every day. You promise to forgive our sins for Jesus' sake. You promise to work for our good through the suffering, sickness, persecution, and tragedies that we face. For Jesus' sake, forgive us for failing to pray. Forgive us for cursing, for swearing falsely, for seeking help from Satan, and for lying or deceiving by Your name. By Your forgiveness, teach us to believe in Your promises and in every joy and sorrow of life to pray, praise, and give thanks to You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Daily Themes for Prayer

Sunday: For the joy of the resurrection among us; for the fruit of faith nourished by the Word and Sacrament.

Monday: 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: For deliverance against temptation and evil; for the addicted and despairing, the tortured and oppressed; for those struggling with sin.

Wednesday: 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: For the Church and her pastors; for teachers, 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: 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: 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.

In Our Prayers this Week

Our Congregation: Charles and Laura Adams; Timothy and Susan Ahrens; Tony and Krista Ahrens; Heidi Allan, Christophor and Zechariah Smith; Riley Bacon; Steve and Luanne Baker; Alan and Rachel Barraza, Lena; Vinson and Carrie Barry, Adan Diamond, Austin, and Zoe; Carol Bauck; Gene and Stephanie Beauchamp.

Baptismal Birthdays: Molly Herrmann; Curtis Miller,; Justine Kennington; Wesley Kennington; Alli Matthews; Nancy Shaver, Baili Williams.

Wedding Anniversaries: Bert & Renae Tegtmeier; John & Sharon Schultze.

The Sick: Ellen Cromwell; Max Herrick; Ruth Trickett; Marty & Jan Burik; Dorothy Rodgers, Yvonne Knight; Allison Watkins; Xander Daniel; Zack Herrick.

Friends of our Congregation: Ellen Berry.

Our Circuit:

St. John Lutheran Church, Aliceville; Rev. Timothy Booth.

Trinity Lutheran Church, Burlington; Rev. Don Haselhuhn.

Our District Staff and President, Rev. Justin Panzer.

Rev. Dan Galchutt, Assistant to the President for Missions and Stewardship

Our Synod and President, Rev. Matthew Harrison.

Our Community: City of Ottawa; Ottawa University; Neosho Community College; USD 290

Our State and Governor, Laura Kelly

Our Nation and President, Joseph Biden

Collect for the Prayer and Christ's Passion

O God, merciful Father, You have promised to hear the prayers of all who in repentance call out to You. Graciously hear us so that all evils which beset us may be of no avail, that we, Your servants, may evermore give thanks to You in Your holy Church; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Collect of the Day for St. Bartholomew:

Almighty God, Your Son, Jesus Christ, chose Bartholomew to be an apostle to preach the blessed Gospel. Grant that Your Church may love what he believed and preach what he taught; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Lord's Prayer

Morning or Evening Prayer from the Catechism

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.

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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.

Hymn of the Week

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

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- What a friend we have in Jesus,
 All our sins and griefs to bear!
 What a privilege to carry
 Ev'rything to God in prayer!
 Oh, what peace we often forfeit;
 Oh, what needless pain we bear—
 All because we do not carry
 Ev'rything to God in prayer!
- 2 Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged— Take it to the Lord in prayer. Can we find a friend so faithful Who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness— Take it to the Lord in prayer.
- Are we weak and heavy laden,
 Cumbered with a load of care?
 Precious Savior, still our refuge—
 Take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
 Take it to the Lord in prayer.
 In His arms He'll take and shield thee;
 Thou wilt find a solace there.

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Looking Forward to "Washed in the Blood of the Lamb"

August 28, 2022

Hymns: Praise Band

Zechariah 12:10—God promises to pour out upon His people a spirit of grace and pleas for mercy so that they will mourn when they look upon Him whom they have pierced.

Romans 6:1-14—In our Baptism we were united with Christ in His death and resurrection. In this way we died to sin and have been given new life. Therefore, as new creations in Christ, we are called by Christ to lead lives of holiness. How can one who lives, over which death has no authority, give themselves as instruments of death? Because we have been made alive in Christ we therefore live in His righteousness.

John 19:31-37—When the soldier had pierced the side of Christ, blood and water came flowing out, mingled together. In Baptism, the water is mingled with Christ's blood as the water cleanses us, not as dirt from a body, but from the sin which stains us. As we look on Him whom we have pierced, we know His death was for our salvation. This salvation is applied to us when we, too, pass through the waters of our Baptism.

