

Simple Daily Prayer

1. **Make the sign of the holy cross and say:**
In the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.
2. **Say the Apostles' Creed**
3. **Pray the Lord's Prayer**
4. **Read a portion of Scripture such as:**
Today's reading from Portals of Prayer
A reading from the Story Bible
The schedule of readings found in Lutheran Service Book (LSB) pg. 299-304
5. **Recite a Bible verse and portion of the Small Catechism such as:**
Your child's memory work for Sunday School and/or Midweek
A portion of the Small Catechism as found in LSB pg. 321-330
6. **Pray the Morning or Evening Prayer:**

Morning

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 my 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.
Then go joyfully about your work, singing a hymn.

Evening

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 an soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.
Then go to sleep at once and in good cheer.

In Our Prayers This Week

Those who have been hospitalized or have special needs: Mike Johnson-Marvin & Marjean Strand's son-in-law, Cindy Keiper, Jonda Weise-Thela Hansen's daughter, Jayson Whaley-Russ & Jean Whaley's son

Our missionary to Mongolia that their visa process would continue without further delays so that they are able to return to their mission church in Mongolia by early October.

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TO KNOW
Christ
& better
to MAKE
HIM known
to ALL ✝

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Those Serving Today

8am

Organist: Edie Goldhammer
Head Usher: Russ Whaley
Ushers: Chris Fischer,
Adam Schulz, Larry Titze
Acolytes: Jack Hohn

10:30am

Organist: Edie Goldhammer
Head Usher: Travis Schnabel
Ushers: Larry Schnabel,
Travis & Trey Degen
Acolytes: Mason DeGeest,
Raquel Hagemann

Serving Next Week

8am

Ushers: Marvin Strand, Jeff Schuldt,
Randy Holmquist, Chris Wehrmann
Acolytes: Mason Bartscher

10:30am

Ushers: Bryan Flanagan, Doug Driggs,
Tyson Driggs, John Fink
Acolytes: Amelia Konrad,
Aidan Lessman

Budget Update

YTD Budget: \$256,248
YTD Income: \$277,648
Difference: + \$21,400

**We need \$7,118 a week
to do God's work at Zion
Last week – \$10,640**

YTD Bldg Funds – \$17,623
YTD Voter Designated
Bldg Funds Transfer – \$7,500

Last Weeks' Attendance:
8:00am – 86
10:30am – 112
Matins – 11

This Week

SUNDAY

Installation of Education Stewards
8:00am – Divine Service
9:15am – Education Hour Returns!
10:30am – Divine Service
1:00pm – Kids for Christ (4th-8th)
3:30pm – Outreach
5-8pm – Dairy Queen Fundraiser

MONDAY

9:00am – Staff Meeting

TUESDAY

7:30am – Women's Bible Study

WEDNESDAY

9:00am – Matins
1:00pm – COFFEE Bible Study
4:00pm – Oct Newsletter Deadline
6:00pm – Midweek/Catechesis
6:00pm – LifeLight Bible Study
7:30pm – Council Meeting

THURSDAY

7:00am – Men's Bible Study

FRIDAY

Office Closed – Pastor's Day Off

SATURDAY

6:30pm – Disciple Fishing Company

SUNDAY

8:00am – Divine Service
9:15am – Education Hour
10:30am – Divine Service

Announcements

Today we will be installing all those dedicated to the education of our youth at Zion, our Board of Education, as well as all of our Sunday school and midweek teachers, helpers, and substitutes.

We thank these members for their good stewardship of both their time and talents as well as the Gospel message, all of which are gifts from God.

Announcements

Sunday school for kids 3 years old – 7th grade starts today! We have a new program this year and our superintendent and teachers are looking forward to helping you teach your children the Faith! Classes start at 9:15am in the education wing. The preschool and 6th & 7th grade classes are on the upper level, all other classes are on the lower level of the ed wing.

We are excited to welcome our 8th-12th graders to a new program for senior youth! Rob & Karen Ewing will be leading this group through a study on Your Unshakable Identity in Christ on Sunday mornings at 9:15am. All those in 8th-12th grades are invited to come join in.

Everyone else is invited to the basement fellowship area for our adult Bible study in which we will be looking at the life of Jesus through the video series *The Chosen*. To accommodate the length of the videos we are planning to get started about 9:10am. Come on down, the coffee and donuts are fresh!

The Disciple Fishing Company group will be getting together this Saturday, Sept 18 at Loren & Lois Brech's home, Mt. Vernon, 6:30pm. Please bring a snack to share and your own drinks when you come for this Bible study. Feel free to bring any fish tales you have also!

All kids in the 4th-8th grades are invited to take part in our junior youth group, Kids for Christ. Today they are meeting at 1pm at church to play Bingo. The group gets together monthly for fun activities and occasional service projects. This is a great way to get to know other kids at church! The couple fundraisers help fund the program and help with the cost of Camp Minneboji in June. Fundraising is NOT the main focus of this group so please get involved even if your child is not attending camp!

We are looking for someone interested in coordinating our children's Christmas program. If this is something that you would like to do, please talk to Erin Amick or Jenna Byrd, or the church office before Sept 26.

Do you enjoy visiting with people? We would love to have you come join our Outreach Team today at 3:30pm. You will not be going out alone and you do not have to be able to help each month. Come check it out!

A habit of daily prayer is important to the life of a Christian. But where do you start? To help you we have included a **new**, simple family (or individual) devotion on the back of our bulletins! Take it home with you today.

Readings

Introit

Psalm 86:4, 6, 15a, 16; antiphon: vv. 1a, 2b, 3

Incline your ear, O Lord, and | answer me,*
save your servant, who trusts in you—you | are my God.

Be gracious to me, | O Lord,*

for to you do I cry | all the day.

Gladden the soul of your | servant,*

for to you, O Lord, do I lift | up my soul.

Give ear, O Lord, | to my prayer;*

listen to my | plea for grace.

But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and | gracious;*

turn to me and be gra- | cious to me;

give your strength to your | servant,*

and save the son of your maid- | servant.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

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Old Testament Reading

1 Kings 17:8–16

⁸Then the word of the Lord came to [Elijah], ⁹“Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” ¹⁰So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink.” ¹¹And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” ¹²And she said, “As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die.” ¹³And Elijah said to her, “Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴For thus says the Lord the God of Israel, ‘The jar of flour shall not be spent, and the jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that the Lord sends rain upon the earth.’” ¹⁵And she went and did as Elijah said. And she and he and her household ate for many days. ¹⁶The jar of flour was not spent, neither did the jug of oil become empty, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

Gradual

Psalm 118:8–9

It is better to take refuge | in the Lord*
than to | trust in man.

It is better to take refuge | in the Lord*
than to trust in | princes.

Hymn # 869

DIVINE SERVICE – Setting Four

Confession & Absolution p. 203

Introit – *see readings insert*

Service of the Word p. 204

Readings from Holy Scripture

Old Testament: 1 Kings 17:8-16

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Epistle: Galatians 5:25-6:10

Alleluia and Verse p. 205

Holy Gospel: Matthew 6:24-34

Apostles' Creed p. 207

Sermon Hymn # 725

Sermon

Installation of Teachers &
Board of Education Members

Prayer of the Church:

Lord, in Your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Offering

Hymn # 588

Service of the Sacrament p. 208

Agnus Dei p. 210

Communion Hymns # 637, 865, 867, 866

Nunc Dimittis p. 211

Closing Hymn # 864

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Epistle

Galatians 5:25—6:10

²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit. ²⁶Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.

¹Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. ²Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. ³For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. ⁴But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. ⁵For each will have to bear his own load.

⁶One who is taught the word must share all good things with the one who teaches. ⁷Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. ⁸For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. ⁹And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. ¹⁰So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 6:24–34

²⁴[Jesus said:] "No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.

²⁵"Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? ²⁸And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ³⁰But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? ³¹Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' ³²For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. ³³But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

³⁴"Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble."

Matthew 6:24b – "You cannot serve God and money." In today's Gospel, Jesus gives the first and last word about our stewardship. Well, you have to go back to verse 21 to get the whole thing: "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Read Matthew 5:19-34 again this week at home and consider your generosity to the Lord's work in light of what Jesus says. – LCMS Stewardship Ministry