

FAITH IN THE WORD

For the week of Septuagesima

January 28 – February 3, AD 2024

Baptism didn't just do something to you once. It does it every day. Every day you are to rise and cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. Every day you are to put to death every evil desire that begins to stir in your heart. Every day your Old Adam is to be drowned again to make way for the New Man who has been remade in the image of Christ and who lives not for himself but for God and the good of his neighbor. Your Baptism is a mighty weapon that even the devil himself can't stand against because it is the Word of God Almighty. Your Baptism changed you by giving you the Holy Spirit who stirs up new and God-pleasing desires within you and gives you strength to walk according to the Ten Commandments to the glory of God your Father and the benefit of those around you. "So, use it well! You are made new—in Christ a new creation! As faithful Christians live and do within your own vocation, until that day when you possess His glorious robe of righteousness bestowed on you forever!" (LSB 596, str. 6)

The Catechism

As the head of the family should teach it in a simple way to the household. 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.

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

What does such baptizing with water indicate?

It indicates that the Old Adam in us should by daily contrition and repentance be drowned and die with all sins and evil desires, and that a new man should daily emerge and arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.

Where is this written?

St. Paul writes in Romans chapter six: "We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life." (Romans 6:4)

THE ORDER OF MEDITATION AND PRAYER

INVOCATION

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

APOSTLES' CREED

Galatians 5:17 – *For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do.*

Psalm 100

HYMN OF THE MONTH

“To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord” (LSB 406, Stanzas 1, 7)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8da7RUXNdrq>

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTUAGESIMA

① SUNDAY	MATTHEW 20:1-16	
② MONDAY	JONAH 1:1-2:10	ROMANS 6:1-14
③ TUESDAY	MATTHEW 12:38-45	JONAH 2:1-10
④ WEDNESDAY	MATTHEW 14:22-36	COLOSSIANS 2:11-15
⑤ THURSDAY	JOHN 13:1-15	1 CORINTHIANS 6:9-11
⑥ FRIDAY	LUKE 2:22-32	HEBREWS 2:14-18
⑦ SATURDAY	ISAIAH 55:10-13	2 CORINTHIANS 11:19-12:9

PRAYERS

COLLECT FOR THE WEEK

O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

DAILY THEMES FOR PRAYER

SUNDAY: *The joy of the resurrection among us; true and godly worship throughout the world; and for the faithful preaching and hearing of God's Word; for our congregation's faithfulness to the Word of God.*

MONDAY: *Faith to live in the promises of Holy Baptism; our calling and daily work; the unemployed; the salvation and well-being of our neighbors; government; peace; for the leaders of our congregation.*

TUESDAY: *Deliverance against temptation; the addicted and despairing; the tortured and oppressed; for those struggling with besetting sins.*

WEDNESDAY: *For marriage and family, that all may live together under the grace of Christ according to the Word of God; parents who must rear their children alone; for godly schools, our church schools, and seminaries.*

THURSDAY: *For the Church and her pastors; for missionaries; for fruitful and salutary use of the blessed sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood; for our congregation, our pastor and his family.*

FRIDAY: *For the preaching of the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ and for its spread throughout the whole world, especially in our community; and for the persecuted.*

SATURDAY: *For faithfulness to the end; the sick and dying; the revival of those who are withering in the faith or have fallen away; for receptive hearts for worship and study on the Lord's Day.*

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

- For all who serve in public safety as police officers, firefighters, and paramedics, that God would protect them, give them courage in danger and grant them wisdom as they perform their duties, especially Joshan Savage (police officer), Joe Krizan (firefighter and paramedic), Will McCrillis, Jonah Underwood (paramedics).
- The family of Carol Long whose father fell asleep in Christ this past Tuesday
- Baptismal Birthdays: Christina Null (2/1)
- Birthdays: Jim Graff (1/28)
- For protection of mothers and their unborn children: Lyndsey Slade. (Psalm 139:13)
- Alissa Ulmer, Franklin Fischer, Finley Miller, Ethan Sims, Robert Ulmer, Dony Reaves, Rush, Tom, Trace Small.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

LUTHER'S MORNING OR EVENING PRAYER

LOOKING FORWARD TO NEXT WEEK

Catechism: Confession and the Office of the Keys: *What is Confession? What sins should we confess? Which are these?*

Sexagesima – February 4, 2024

Hymns: 577, 823, 628, 614, 732, 617, 658

Readings: Isaiah 55:10-13; 2 Corinthians 11:19-12:9; Luke 8:4-15

