



Ascension Lutheran Church



A Guide for Evening Family Devotions
For the week of the First Sunday after Christmas

Invocation

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

Mt 28:19

The Lord Almighty grant us a quiet night and peace at the last.

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praise to Your name, O Most High;
To herald Your love in the morning and Your truth at the close of the day.

Ps 92:1-2

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

Rom 10:10; Mt 23:9

2 Cor 6:18

Ge 1:1

Col 1:16

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God
begotten of His Father before all worlds
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

Jn 20:28

Jn 1:14, 18; 3:16

Jn 17:5; Col 1:17

Jn 5:18; 8:12; 12:36

Col 2:9

Jn 1:1-2

Jn 10:30

Jn 1:3; Heb 1:2; Col 1:16

1 Ti 1:15

Mt 1:18; Lk 1:34-35

Jn 1:14; Gal 4:4

Jn 19:15-16

Lk 24:46

1 Cor 15:4

Lk 24:51

Mk 16:19; 1 Pet 3:22

Acts 10:42; 2 Ti 4:1

Lk 1:33

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

Ge 1:1

Jn 6:63

Jn 15:26; 19:30

Mt 28:19

2 Pet 1:20-21

Acts 20:28; 1:2; 2:42

Eph 4:5; Acts 2:38

Acts 24:15; 1 Cor 15:12-13

Mk 10:29-30; Rev 22:20

Lord's Prayer

Mt 6:9-13; Lk 11:2-4; 1 Cbr 29:11

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.



The Words of Jesus

Mt 3:13-15

Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented.

What does this mean? The good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also.

How is God's will done? God's will is done when He breaks and hinders every evil plan and purpose of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature, which do not want to hallow God's name or let His kingdom come; and when He strengthens and keeps us firm in His Word and faith until we die. This is His good and gracious will.

The Small Catechism

The Third Petition

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

All My Heart Again Rejoices

LSB 360 / TLH 77



1 All my heart a - gain re - joic - es As I hear Far and near
2 Hear! The Con - quer - or has spo - ken: "Now the foe, Sin and woe,
3 Should we fear our God's dis - plea - sure, Who, to save, Free - ly gave
4 See the Lamb, our sin once tak - ing To the cross, Suf - f'ring loss,



Sweet - est an - gel voic - es. "Christ is born!" their choirs are sing - ing
Death and hell are bro - ken!" God is man, man to de - liv - er,
His most pre - cious trea - sure? To re - deem us He has giv - en
Full a - tone - ment mak - ing. For our life His own He ten - ders,



Till the air Ev - 'ry - where Now with joy is ring - ing.
And the Son Now is one With our blood for - ev - er.
His own Son From the throne Of His might in heav - en.
And His grace All our race Fit for glo - ry ren - ders.