



The Parish at Prayer  
 Week of  
 7 - 13 October 2018

*Pray and confess out loud as much from this 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.*

**Invocation**

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

**Verse**

*Romans 3:20*

By the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified in His sight, for by the law is the knowledge of sin.

**Psalm: 3**

**Catechism: Ten Commandments—Review and The Close of the Commandments**

<p><i>What does God about all these commandments?</i>          He says: "I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate Me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love Me and keep My commandments." (Exodus 20:5-6)</p>	<p>1st+</p>
<p><i>What does this mean?</i>          God threatens to punish all who break these commandments. Therefore, we should fear His wrath and not do anything against them. But He promises grace and every blessing to all who keep these commandments. Therefore, we should also love and trust in Him and gladly do what He commands.</p>	<p>2nd+</p>

**Bible Stories:** *Daily Lectionary, Lutheran Service Book, pg. 299-304*

**Hymn:** 597 "Water, Blood, and Spirit Crying" (stanzas 1-5)

1 Water, blood, and Spirit crying,  
 By their witness testifying  
 To the One whose death-defying  
 Life has come, with life for all.

2 In a wat'ry grave are buried  
 All our sins that Jesus carried;  
 Christ, the Ark of Life, has ferried  
 Us across death's raging flood.

3 Dark the way, yet Christ precedes us,  
 Past the scowl of death He leads us;  
 Spreads a table where He feeds us  
 With His body and His blood.

4 Through around us death is seething,  
 God, His two-edged sword unsheathing,  
 By His Spirit life is breathing  
 Through the living, active Word.

5 Spirit, water, blood entreating,  
 Working faith and its completing  
 In the One whose death-defeating  
 Life has come, with life for all.

**Collect of the Day**

Almighty and merciful God, of Your bountiful goodness keep from us all things that may hurt us that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish whatever You would have us do; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**Apostles' Creed**

**Lord's Prayer**

**Luther's Morning or Evening Prayer**