



The Parish at Prayer

St. John's Lutheran
Church & School
Week of
The 3rd Sunday in Lent
March 11-- March 17, 2012



Invocation

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

Verse

But with you there is forgiveness,
that you may be feared.

I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,
and in his word I hope

Psalm 130: 3-5

Catechism

Confession

What is Confession?

Confession has two parts. First, that we confess our sins, and second, that we receive absolution, that is, forgiveness, from the pastor as from God Himself, not doubting, but firmly believing that by it our sins are forgiven before God in heaven.

What sins should we confess?

Before God we should plead guilty of all sins, even those we are not aware of, as we do in the Lord's Prayer; but before the pastor we should confess only those sins which we know and feel in our hearts.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Prayers for Others & Ourselves

Luther's Morning Prayer

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.

or

Luther's Evening Prayer

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. Amen.

Benedicamus

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.