

The Congregation at Prayer

*A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer
For the week of the Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
October 17, 2021 through October 24, 2021*

Catechesis Notes for the Week— The Second Article of the Creed—Redemption is the theme of the Second Article. It is a word that indicates that we have been "purchased and won" by Christ from Satan who had been our lord and taskmaster. Satan held sinful man and each one of us in his clutches. His power over us was the Law through sin. Because of our sinful rebellion he was able to lay claim to us and hold us under the Law's condemnation. Christ redeemed us from the curse of the Law, the condemnation of hell and the power of Satan, by becoming a curse for us under the Law and pouring out His life-blood into death for us. This is how He, as the Seed of the Woman, would "bruise" or "crush" the devil's headship and authority over man. Now we have freedom from Satan's tyranny through faith in Christ.

The Order of Meditation and Prayer

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.

Invocation

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

Apostles' Creed

Verse of the week: Isaiah 7:14

"Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel."

Psalm 119:9-16 and/or the appointed daily psalms as listed below

Prayer on the Psalm: Heavenly Father, God of all grace, govern our hearts that we may never forget Your blessings but steadfastly thank and praise You for all Your goodness in this life until, with all Your saints, we praise You eternally in Your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Daily Psalms	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Morning	33	35	37	40	42, 43	45	48, 49	51
Evening	34	36	38	39, 41	44	46, 47	50	52, 53

The Catechism: The Creed—The Second Article

What is the Second Article of the Creed?

And [I believe] 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.

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What does this mean?

I believe that Jesus Christ,
true God, begotten of the Father from eternity,
and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary,
is my Lord,
who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person,
purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil;
not with gold or silver,
but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death,

First Grade +

That I may be His own
And live under Him in His kingdom
And serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness,
Just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.
This is most certainly true.

Second Grade +

Readings for the Week of the Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

Day	Bible Stories for the Family	Daily Prayer Readings from LSB, p. 299	
Sunday	With God All Things Are Possible—Mark 10:23-31	Deut. 15:19-16:22	Matt. 13:44-58
Monday	Mark 8-9	Deut. 17:1-20	Matt. 14:1-21
Tuesday	Mark 10-11	Deut. 18:1-22	Matt. 14:22-36
Wednesday	Mark 12-13	Deut. 19:1-20	Matt. 15:1-20
Thursday	Mark 14	Deut. 20:1-20	Matt. 15:21-39
Friday	Mark 15-16	Deut. 21:1-23	Matt. 16:1-12
Saturday	Luke 1-3	Deut. 24:10-25:10	Matt. 16:13-28

Prayers: Collect for the Week, Daily Themes for Prayer, In Our Prayers at Victory in Christ

Collect for the week of the Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost:

O God, Your divine wisdom sets in order all things in heaven and on earth. Put away from us all things hurtful and give us those things that are beneficial for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Daily Themes for Prayer

- Sunday:** *Pray for the joy of the resurrection among us; for the fruit of faith nourished by the Word and Sacraments.*
- Monday:** *Pray for faith to live in the promises of Holy Baptism; for one's calling and daily work, for the unemployed; for the salvation and well-being of our neighbors; for schools, colleges, and seminaries; for good government and for peace.*
- Tuesday:** *Pray for deliverance against temptation and evil; for the addicted and despairing, the tortured and oppressed; for those struggling with besetting sins.*
- Wednesday:** *Pray for marriage and family, that husbands and wives, parents and children live in ordered harmony according to the Word of God; for parents who must raise children alone; for our communities and neighborhoods.*
- Thursday:** *Pray for the Church and her pastors; for teachers, deacons, deaconesses, and other church workers; for missionaries and for all who serve the Church; for fruitful and salutary use of the blessed sacraments of Christ's body and blood.*
- Friday:** *Pray for the preaching of the holy cross of our Lord Jesus Christ and for the spread of His knowledge throughout the whole world; for the persecuted and oppressed; for the sick and dying.*
- Saturday:** *Pray for faithfulness to the end; for the renewal of those who are withering in the faith or have fallen away; for receptive hearts and minds to God's Word on the Lord's Day; for pastors and people as they prepare to administer and receive Christ's holy gifts.*

In our Prayers at Victory in Christ this Week

Healing

Lorene Finstad, Barbara Wieting, Bobbie Sherrod, Tina Sawall, Gordon Munson, Jenny Jones, Eugene Kroeger

Strength

Peg Munson and the Rice family

Our Shut-ins

Employment

Peace and Comfort

Expectant Mothers

Military and Over Seas

Kyle Rohloff

College Students

Nathan Campbell, Gabrielle Funke, Hailey Richardson, Jared Rohloff, Kara Rohloff, Logan Rohloff

Seminarian

John Schober

Blessings

Mission / Ministries

The missions we support and the future of our Academy

Lord's Prayer and Morning or Evening Prayer from the Catechism

Hymn of Week

"Hope of the World, Thou Christ of Great Compassion"

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