

Daily Prayers for the week of Trinity XXVI – 11/15/2020

OPENING VERSICLES:

O Lord, open my lips, **and my mouth will declare Your praise.**
Make haste, O God, to deliver me; **make haste to help me, O Lord.**
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Alleluia

PSALMODY: Psalm 56 and / or the psalms listed below

Sun: 119:89-112; 119:113-136; Mon: 119:137-152; 119:153-176; Tues: 122, 123; 124;
Wed: 125, 126; 127; Thurs: 128, 129; 130; Fri: 131, 132; 133, 134; Sat: 135; 136;

NOVEMBER HYMN: 895 – Now Thank We All Our God Hymn: 508

CATECHISM:

What is the Third Article? 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.

What does this mean? I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 25:31-46 ESV

³¹ “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. ³² Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³ And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. ³⁴ Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. ³⁵ For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶ I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.’ ³⁷ Then the righteous will answer him, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? ³⁸ And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? ³⁹ And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?’ ⁴⁰ And the King will answer them, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.’ ⁴¹ “Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. ⁴² For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, ⁴³ I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ ⁴⁴ Then they also will answer, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?’ ⁴⁵ Then he will answer them, saying, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ ⁴⁶ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

RESPONSE: O Lord, have mercy upon us.

Thanks be to God.

CATECHESIS:

When Christ our Lord returns to judge the living and the dead, He will separate the sheep from the goats. The goats are those who rejected the voice of Christ and thus rejected the free gift of salvation. The goats preferred to be judged based on their works. The goats failed to receive, support and defend those who preached the Gospel to them and by failing to do so the goats reject Christ who sent those pastors to them. The sheep are those who heard the voice of their Good Shepherd in their own pastor. The sheep are judged by the good work of Jesus Christ on the cross in their place. The sheep are credited with caring for those brothers of Christ who were hungry, thirsty, naked, sick or in prison because of preaching the Gospel. The sheep were not perfect in their works, but they receive credit for what Jesus did on their behalf. All the credit belongs to Jesus Christ the Good Shepherd who suffered and died for the sins of the world, but He gives this great inheritance to the sheep out of mercy and He does so for free.

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.

KYRIE: Lord, have mercy; **Christ, have mercy;** **Lord, have mercy.**

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.**

COLLECT OF THE WEEK:

O God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by Thy Holy Spirit : that, being ever mindful of the end of all things and the day of Thy just judgment, we may be stirred up to holiness of living here and dwell with Thee forever hereafter; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost : ever one God, world without end. **Amen**

LUTHER'S MORNING PRAYER:

LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER:

(p. 327 in the hymnal or in Section 2 Daily Prayers in the Catechism)

BENEDICAMUS:

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Looking ahead to Trinity XXVII – 11/22/2020:

Isa 65:17-25; 1 Thess 5:1-11; Matt 25:1-13; Hymn: 516 – Wake, Awake for Night is Flying