

Daily Prayers for the week of the Baptism of our Lord – 01/10/2021

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 72 and / or the psalms listed below

Sun: 73; 74; Mon: 75, 76; 77; Tues: 78; 79; Wed: 80; 81;  
Thurs: 82, 84; 83; Fri: 85; 86; Sat: 88; 87

JANUARY HYMN: 402 – The Only Son From Heaven                      Hymn: 385

CATECHISM:

*What is the Seventh Petition?*

**But deliver us ✠ from evil.**

*What does this mean?*

**We pray in this petition, in summary, that our Father in heaven would rescue us from every evil of body and soul, possessions and reputation, and finally, when our last hour comes, give us a blessed end, and graciously take us from this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven.**

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 3:13-17 ESV

<sup>13</sup> Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. <sup>14</sup> John would have prevented him, saying, I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me? <sup>15</sup> But Jesus answered him, Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness. Then he consented. <sup>16</sup> And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; <sup>17</sup> and behold, a voice from heaven said, This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.

RESPONSE: O Lord, have mercy upon us.                      **Thanks be to God.**

CATECHESIS:

Jesus' baptism signifies that the Son of God has not only become a flesh and blood man like us, but especially that He has come to align Himself with us as sinners and to take our sin upon Himself as the Lamb of God. You receive Baptism because Christ is the content of our Baptism. You have your sins washed away and forgiven for Jesus' sake. Jesus comes to the waters of Baptism, not because He has sin that needs forgiveness, but to give Himself into the waters of Holy Baptism so that Baptism has the power to forgive sins for you. He is the righteous Savior who has died for you. He fulfills all righteousness in your place. In His Baptism, Jesus gives Himself to you so that in your Baptism you receive Him for the forgiveness of all of your sins. When you are Baptized God the Father declares you His beloved son for Jesus' sake, the Holy Spirit descends upon you with the gift of faith, and Jesus and His righteousness becomes your own.

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, our heavenly Father, whose voice was heard at the Baptism of Thine only-begotten Son, declaring Him to be the One with whom Thou art well-pleased : pour down Thy Holy Ghost upon Thy faithful people, that we may rejoice in this same sonship that we have received from Thee through our Baptism into Christ; who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the same 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 The Second Sunday after Epiphany – 01/17/2021:

OT: Exodus 33:12-23;    Ep: Ephesians 5:22-33;    Gospel: John 2:1-11

Chief Hymn: 402 – The Only Son from Heaven