

Feed My Sheep: Growing in the Word

Quinquagesima

Feb 11-17, 2018

The Household Altar:

Daily Devotion to the Word and Prayer

O Lord,
have mercy.
O Christ,
have mercy.
O Lord,
have mercy.
O Christ,
hear us.
God the Father in heaven,
have mercy.
God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
have mercy.
God the Holy Spirit,
have mercy.

Readings (Family members may take turns reading the Scripture):

Sun, 2/11.....	Luke 18:31-43
Mon, 2/12.....	Psalm 26
Tue, 2/13.....	1 Cor. 13:1-13
Wed, 2/14.....	Matthew 6:16-21
Thu, 2/15.....	John 12:23-36
Fri, 2/16.....	1 Peter 3:18-22
Sat, 2/17.....	Psalm 27

Verse of the Week (try to commit to memory):

See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and everything that is written about the Son of Man by the prophets will be accomplished. (Luke 18:31)

Small Catechism of the Week (try to commit to memory):

What is the Office of the Keys?

The Office of the Keys is that special authority which Christ has given to His church on earth to forgive the sins of repentant sinners, but to withhold forgiveness from the unrepentant as long as they do not repent.

Where is this written?

This is what St. John the Evangelist writes in chapter twenty: The Lord Jesus breathed on His disciples and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven." (John 20:22-23)

What do you believe according to these words?

I believe that when the called ministers of Christ deal with us by His divine command, in particular when they exclude openly unrepentant sinners from the Christian congregation and absolve those who repent of their sins and want to do better, this is just as valid and certain, even in heaven, as if Christ our dear Lord dealt with us Himself.

Apostles' Creed

Lord's Prayer

Collect (Prayer) of the Week

O Lord, mercifully hear our prayers and having set us free from the bonds of our sins deliver us from every evil; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

In Our Prayers

Near death: Irma Peterman

Illness: Barbi Walter; Jennifer VanPelt; Rodney Huffman; Joe White; Elijah Peterman; Steve Bails; Carolyn Walquist; Theresa Gaziano; Craig Stripling; Margaret Stripling; Paul Habrecht; Brody Warnke;

Recovering: Crystal Barnes; Lynda Musselman; Amy Surburg; George Cunningham

Homebound: Wilma Brittin; Donna Conklen; Esther Cox; Ruth Estes; Irma Peterman; Anita Kirby; Pat Sparks; Jack & Marian Roderick; Betty Biggart

Armed Forces: Brandon Goldhammer; Mark Schultz; Jared Williams; Jordan Saner; Grant Barnes; Brandon Brockhouse; Luke Bohm

Police: Scott Butterfield; Joshua Stuenkel; Grant Barnes

Missionaries: Rev'd Roy Askins and family (Taiwan); The Hilberts (Botswana)

Seminarians: Ian Kinney; all men studying to be pastors

Scripture Study and Sunday School

Sunday School ~ As it was for Peter, so it is for us is the message of today's Sunday School lesson (Acts 12). The Word of God is never proclaimed in vain. Though we suffer because of the sin of others, God's will is done. Talk with your children about modern-day persecution of the Church of God and how, even in the midst of persecution, God sustains and increases His Church. *How does God's Word break through the chains of our sin and the suffering it causes?*

Sunday Scripture Study ~ The Book of Revelation is the culmination of the entire story of salvation contained in the Bible. It reveals the terrifying sufferings and horror on earth, and the reign of Jesus Christ as Lord in his heavenly exalted glory. Come, read through, and study this book with Pastor on Sunday morning!

Weekday Study Opportunities

Monday Lunch Bunch (*Mon at Noon*) – 1 Samuel

Wednesday Bible Study (*Wed at 9:30 a.m.*) – No class this week

Breakfast Bible Study (*Thurs at 6:30 a.m.*) – Joshua