

# Feed My Sheep: Growing in the Word

The Week of Misericordias Domini

May 5-11, 2019

## The Household Altar:

### Daily Devotion to the Word and Prayer

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

**Amen.**

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

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| Sun, 05/05..... | John 10:11-16    |
| Mon, 05/06..... | Psalm 70         |
| Tue, 05/07..... | 1 Peter 2:21-25  |
| Wed, 05/08..... | Ezekiel 34:11-16 |
| Thu, 05/09..... | John 5:22-30     |
| Fri, 05/10..... | Hebrews 13:20-21 |
| Sat, 05/11..... | Psalm 23         |

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

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.**

*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. On 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.**

*The 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 (Prayer) of the Week:*

O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, 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

*For our pastors. For First Step Women's Center. For those who mourn. The sick and infirm:* Marian Roderick; Karl Miller; Joe Stotlar; Mary Ann Barnes; Kylee Parker; Kathy Lockenour; Marty Michelson; Eunice Aufdenkamp; Barbi Walter; Mary Burch; Elena Holler; Scott Hess; Melanie Ferricks Capps; Leslie Symons; Elijah Peterman; Steve Bails; Theresa Gaziano; Kay Kasten; Bill Shutt; Sharon Park. *Those recovering:* Dora Findlay; Addelyn Grace Williams; Marilyn Tobias; Dave Urish; Anna May Fawns; Janie Saner. *The Homebound:* Esther Cox; Ruth Estes; Pat Sparks; Jack & Marian Roderick; Betty Biggart. *Our Synodical Leaders:* Matthew Harrison, President; Mark Miller, District President. *The Church's missionaries and mercy workers:* Rev. Roy Askins and family (Taiwan); The Hilberts (Botswana). *Seminarians:* Sem. Ian Kinney. *For all women with child:* especially Heidi Poyer and Betsy Lash. *The Armed Forces:* Brandon Goldhammer; Mark Schultz; Jared Williams; Jordan Saner; Brandon Brockhouse; Luke Bohm. *Police:* Scott Butterfield; Grant Barnes; Joshua Stuenkel

## Scripture Study and Sunday School

**Sunday School** ~ In Sunday School today, students learn the story "Jesus Calls Matthew" from Mark 2:13-17. We sinners rejoice, for we, too, have been called from our own pigsty of sin to dine with Jesus around His table and to be a friend of the friend of sinners. Consider discussing, "How did Jesus call Matthew to be one of His followers? How and why does Jesus call us to follow Him?"

**Sunday Scripture Study** ~ We continue our study of "What On Earth Am I Here For?" this week, especially considering our calling as *Rulers* and *Citizens*. Please come and study the Scriptures together!

## Weekday Study Opportunities

**Monday Lunch Bunch** (Mon at Noon) – *History of the Bible*

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

**Breakfast Bible Study** (Thu at 6:30 a.m.) – *The Gospel of John*