

DAILY DEVOTIONS March 9 - 15, 2025

If you live alone, think of someone you could invite to join you, either in person or on the phone, for a few minutes reading God's Word and praying together. Resources for Daily Devotions are found on pages 294-330 in the hymnal. (You may borrow a hymnal from the church or ask about ordering hymnal(s) for yourself and others.) We also have free copies of Portals of Prayer with devotions for every day. Every person is encouraged to learn, pray, and yes, *memorize* a hymn, a Bible verse, and a selection from the Catechism each week. Pastor Mike would be glad to visit you to help you begin or improve your practice of Daily Devotions.

Hymn of the Week: 805 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

Amen.

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Last week's Bible Memory Verse

John 6:40

⁴⁰For _____, that
_____ and _____ in him
_____, and _____.

This week's Bible Memory Verse: Proverbs 30:8–9

⁸Remove far from me falsehood and lying;
give me neither poverty nor riches;
feed me with the food that is needful for me,
⁹lest I be full and deny you
and say, "Who is the LORD?"
or lest I be poor and steal
and profane the name of my God.

**Weekly Catechism: The Lord's Prayer – The Fourth
Petition:** Give us this day our daily bread.

What does this mean?

God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.

What is meant by daily bread?

Daily bread includes everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, home, land, animals, money, goods, a devout husband or wife, devout children, devout workers, devout and faithful rulers, good

government, good weather, peace, health, self-control, good reputation, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.

We pray for others and for ourselves

✝ Praise God for Zoey who turned 10 on March 4!

✝ We pray for all those facing health problems: Claudia's friend Ruth (knee surgery), Darlene F, Crystal, Jerry Babb, Hawk's friends Todd and his wife, Nancy, Sherry, Jerry Bullock, Joan C, Jan's business colleague Brian (hearing), Jan's friend Helen and her sister Margaret, Eric, Carol Meyer

✝ For all with cancer: Colleen's niece Karen, Jerry Babb's brother-in-law Ron, Karl, Jim M' neighbor John and his brother in law Dean (stage 1), Dick's friend Jim, Don & Sandi's friend Jan Carr

✝ For Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Minnetonka that God will soon provide a pastor for them.

✝ That the Holy Spirit will breathe in us each day to love God, each other, and our neighbors

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