

# DAILY DEVOTIONS March 2 - 8, 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: 718 JESUS, LEAD THOU ON***

**1 Jesus, lead Thou on**

**Till our rest is won;**

**And although the way be cheerless,**

**We will follow calm and fearless.**

**Guide us by Thy hand**

**To our fatherland.**

**2 If the way be drear,**

**If the foe be near,**

**Let not faithless fears o'ertake us;**

**Let not faith and hope forsake us;  
For through many\_a woe  
To our home we go.**

**3 When we seek relief  
From a long-felt grief,  
When temptations come alluring,  
Make us patient and enduring.  
Show us that bright shore  
Where we weep no more.**

**4 Jesus, lead Thou on  
Till our rest is won.  
Heav'nly leader, still direct us,  
Still support, console, protect us,  
Till we safely stand  
In our fatherland.**

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## ***Weekly Bible Memory Verse***

John 6:40

<sup>40</sup>For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.

## ***Weekly Catechism: The Lord's Prayer - THE THIRD PETITION***

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

*What does this mean?*

The good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also.

*How is God's will done?*

God's will is done when He breaks and hinders every evil plan and purpose of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature, which do not want us to hallow God's name or let His kingdom come; and when He strengthens and keeps us firm in His Word and faith until we die. This is His good and gracious will.

## ***We pray for others and for ourselves***

✠ 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

✝ Praise that Hawk (Craig) was with us after 10 days in the hospital

✝ Joshua, missionary work in Chile for 2 months

✝ 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**

✝ Praise for the way God works through each of us in our daily lives, and prayer that the Spirit would empower us to communicate His truth and love in our attitudes, words, and actions, and that many would come to saving faith in Jesus Christ.

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