**The Congregation at Prayer**

*A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer*

*for The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost (August 15, 2021)*

*Pray and confess aloud as much from the order of meditation and prayer, as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate. Learn by heart the verse, catechism, and hymn of the week.*

***Invocation***

**In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

***Apostle’s Creed***

***Verse*: Psalm 111:10 – The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever!**

**Psalm of the Week:** Psalm 119:1-16 (Aleph and Beth)

**Bible Readings for the Week**

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| Sunday | St. Mary, Mother of Jesus – Luke 1:45-55 |
| Monday | Saul Murders the Priests of Nob – 1 Samuel 22:3-23 |
| Tuesday | David Saves the City of Keilah – 1 Samuel 23:1-13 |
| Wendesday | **Midweek Service** – Ecclesiastes 12:1-7; 13-14 |
| Thursday | David Hides in the Wilderness – 1 Samuel 23:14-29 |
| Friday | David Spares Saul’s Life – 1 Samuel 24:1-25:1 |
| Saturday | David and Abigail – 1 Samuel 25:2-44 |

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| **The Catechism: The Ten Commandments – The Third and Fourth Commandments** | **Grades** |
| *What is the Third Commandment***Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.** | K+ |
| *What does this mean?*We should fear and love God so that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it. | 2nd + |
| *What is the Fourth Commandment?***Honor your father and your mother** | K+ |
| *What does this mean?*We should fear and love God so that we do not despise or anger our parents and other authorities, but honor them, serve and obey them, love and cherish them. | 2nd + |