The Congregation at Prayer

*A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer*

*for Reminiscere*

*February 25, 2024*

*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.*

**Catechesis Notes for the week** **– Psalm 149: A Call to Worship** – Psalm 149 is a call to worship. We are to praise the Lord for all His acts of salvation. We are to sing to the Lord a new song – which is the song of grace, mercy, and forgiveness in Christ. It is not the old song of works righteousness and self-justification. Every reference in the psalm to Israel and the saints can be interpreted for us today as referring to the Church and all faithful believers in Christ (the saints). We praise the Lord and sing the new song of salvation because He delights in His Church and beautifies us with His righteousness that covers all our sin. The two-edged sword is a reference to the Word of God. The Law condemns, crucifies, judges, and, therefore, calls to repentance. The Gospel proclaims the judgment of God’s righteousness, which is the honor and glory of all His saints.

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

**Verse:** 2 Timothy 3:16 – All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness.

**Apostles’ Creed**

**Psalm of the Week: Psalm 149**

**New Testament Stories Year II – Gospel of Mark**

**Bible Readings for the Week**

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| Sunday | Reminiscere Gospel – Matthew 15;21-28 |
| Monday | Jesus Tells Parables of the Kingdom of God – Mark 4:21-34 |
| Tuesday | Jesus Stills the Storm – Mark 4:35-41 |
| Wednesday | **Lenten Midweek – Christ Handed Over By His Own – John 13:17-31** |
| Thursday | A Demon-Possessed Man is Healed – Mark 5:1-20 |
| Friday | A Girl is Raised and a Woman is Healed – Mark 5:21-43 |
| Saturday | Jesus is Rejected at Nazareth – Mark 6:1-13 |

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| **Catechism: Table of Duties: To Bishops, Pastors and Preachers**  *(Preschool and Kindergarten children review the primary texts of the first three commandments)* | **Grades** |
| *What does God’s Word say to bishops, pastors, and preachers?*  The overseer must be above reproach, the husband of but one wife, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, | 1st+  1 Timothy 3:2 |
| not given to drunkenness, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. He must manage his own family well and see that his children obey him with proper respect. | 2nd+  1 Timothy 3:3-4 |
| He must not be a recent convert, or he may become conceited and fall under the same judgment as the devil. | 3rd+  1 Timothy 3:6 |
| *He must hold firmly to the trustworthy message as it has been taught, so that he can encourage others by sound doctrine and refute those who oppose it.* | 4th+  Titus 1:9 |