

Friday, 7/7

Come to the prayer meeting *this morning at 6:30.*

Read **Ephesians 4:25-5:2.**

Pray , “Our Father in heaven, may your name be honored. May your kingdom come soon. May your will be done here on earth, just as it is in heaven. Give us our food for today. We pray that you, for Christ’s sake, would freely pardon all our sins—and we are encouraged to ask this because by your grace we are able from the heart to forgive others. Take from me all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, slander, and malice enabling me instead by your grace to be kind and tenderhearted, forgiving others even as you have forgiven me in Christ. Amen”

Saturday, 7/8

Read tomorrow’s sermon passage **Matthew 6:5-15** below and meditate on what it means to pray “And don’t let us yield to temptation, but deliver us from the evil one”.

⁵"And now about prayer. When you pray, don't be like the hypocrites who love to pray publicly on street corners and in the synagogues where everyone can see them. I assure you, that is all the reward they will ever get. ⁶ But when you pray, go away by yourself, shut the door behind you, and pray to your Father secretly. Then your Father, who knows all secrets, will reward you. ⁷ "When you pray, don't babble on and on as people of other religions do. They think their prayers are answered only by repeating their words again and again. ⁸ Don't be like them, because your Father knows exactly what you need even before you ask him! ⁹ Pray like this: Our Father in heaven, may your name be honored. ¹⁰ May your Kingdom come soon. May your will be done here on earth, just as it is in heaven. ¹¹ Give us our food for today, ¹² and forgive us our sins, just as we have forgiven those who have sinned against us. ¹³ And don't let us yield to temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. ¹⁴ For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, ¹⁵ but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

Prepare today for the gathered worship service tomorrow.

Seek out God and ask him to lead you in paths of righteousness for his name’s sake (Psalm 23). Ask him to bring glory to himself today through you as you live your life in him. Ask earnest for the Deliver to be seen and known in your life and your community.

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Family and Individual Devotions



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Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. We no longer try to hide our failures from God. Instead we come to him and seek his grace and express the glories of his grace to us and through us. We are forgiven not because of our forgiving others, but rather we forgive others because we are ourselves are forgiven. It is as we experience the forgiveness that only comes by Christ’s blood that we are compelled to extend that grace, that forgiveness to others.

Please use the devotional material below each day this week to meet with Jesus. Please pray that we as a community of faith will learn His ways and walk in them to accomplish His purposes.

What do we pray for in the fifth petition?

In the fifth petition (which is, *And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors*) we pray, That God, for Christ's sake, would freely pardon all our sins; which we are the rather encouraged to ask, because by his grace we are enabled from the heart to forgive others.

— Westminster Shorter Catechism

What is the fifth petition?

And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. That is: For the sake of Christ's blood, do not impute to us, wretched sinners; any of our transgressions, nor the evil which still clings to us, as we also find this evidence of Thy grace in us that we are fully determined wholeheartedly to forgive our neighbor.

— Heidelberg Catechism