



Family Devotional

February 1, 2026

Call to Worship

Hear God call you to worship through His word.

Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol him, all peoples! For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD! - Psalm 117:1-2

Adoration

Pray this praise to God.

O God, you are life, wisdom, truth, bounty, and blessedness, the eternal, the only true good; our God and our Lord, you are our hope and our heart's joy—we acknowledge with thanksgiving that you have made us in your image, and that we may direct our thoughts to you. Lord, make us know you aright, that we may love, enjoy, and possess you more and more; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. - *Anselm*

Reading of the Law

Hear God's law as His will for your life.

For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven...You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect... "Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from of 2 5 your Father who is in heaven...But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you... "So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets." - *Matthew 5:20,48; 6:1,33; 7:12*

Confession of Sin

Confess your sin to God.

Lord God, eternal and Almighty Father, we confess and acknowledge without pretense before your holy Majesty, that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in iniquity and corruption; prone to do what is evil, incapable of any good; and that in our depravity, we endlessly transgress your holy commandments. And so, in your just judgment, we deserve ruin and damnation. But Lord, we are displeased with ourselves for having offended you, and we condemn ourselves and our vices with true repentance, longing for your grace to relieve our distress. May you, therefore, have mercy upon us, most gentle and merciful God and Father, in the name of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. And as you blot out our vices and blemishes, extend and increase the graces of your Holy Spirit to us day by day, so that as we acknowledge our unrighteousness with all our heart, we might feel the sorrow that gives birth to true penitence, which as we mortify our sins may produce fruits of righteousness and innocence pleasing to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. - *John Calvin*

Assurance of Pardon

Receive these words of comfort and forgiveness from God.

He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him. For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust. - *Psalms 103:9-14*

The Apostles' Creed

Confess what you believe about the Christian faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. of 4 5 I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Praise

Say or sing this praise to God.

Glory be to God the Father.

Glory be to God the Son.

Glory be to God the Spirit, ever three and ever one;

As it was in the beginning, now and evermore shall be. - *Gloria Patri*

Prayer for Illumination

Before you read His word, ask God to enlighten your mind and heart.

O, make your Word a swift Word,
passing from the ear to the heart,
from the heart to the lip and conversation;
that, as the rain returns not empty,
so neither may your Word,
but accomplish that for which it is given. Amen.

- George Herbert

Scripture Reading

Read a portion of God's word. If you'd like a suggestion, next week's sermon passage is Luke 2:41-52.

Prayer of Intercession

As you make your requests to God, pray this prayer.

Father, what we know not, teach us;
what we have not, give us;
what we are not, make us;
for the sake of your Son our Savior. Amen.

- Old Anglican Prayer

Further petition:

- ***Personal***

- ***Church***

- ***World***

The Lord's Prayer

In closing, pray the words that Jesus taught us to pray.

Our Father, Who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name.
Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done,
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
As we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
The power and the glory,
For ever and ever. Amen.