

Midweek Prayer during Lent 2018

Opening

A large, lighted candle may be carried to its place.

Behold, now is the accept- | able time;

now is the day | of salvation.

Turn us again, O God of | our salvation,

that the light of your face may | shine on us.

May your justice shine | like the sun;

and may the poor be | lifted up.

Psalmody

see Evangelical Lutheran Worship

Week of Lent 1: Psalm 77

Prayer for God to remember us

Week of Lent 2: Psalm 105:1-11, 37-45

God promises life to Abraham

Week of Lent 3: Psalm 84

How lovely is God's dwelling place

Week of Lent 4: Psalm 107:1-16

God gives food and light

Week of Lent 5: Psalm 119:9-16

I treasure your promise in my heart

Song

Possibilities for assembly song related to the readings for each of the Wednesdays of Lent follow.

Week of Lent 1

I want Jesus to walk with me ELW 325

If you but trust in God to guide you ELW 769

Week of Lent 2

How firm a foundation ELW 796

O God, my faithful God ELW 806

Week of Lent 3

Canticle of the Turning ELW 723

Built on a rock ELW 652

Week of Lent 4

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart ELW 484

O God of mercy, God of light ELW 714

Week of Lent 5

Restore in us, O God ELW 328

You are mine ELW 581

Reading

Week of Lent 1: Deuteronomy 8:11-20

God gives strength to flourish

Week of Lent 2: Hebrews 4:12-16

Jesus sympathizes with our weakness

Week of Lent 3: Romans 4:1-12

God makes us righteous by faith

Week of Lent 4: Jeremiah 14:17-22

God is our hope

Week of Lent 5: Isaiah 42:1-9

God promises future blessings

The reading of scripture is followed by silence for reflection.

The reflection may conclude with this scriptural dialogue:

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets,
but in these last days God has spoken to us by the Son.

Book study conversations and sharing (see this week's "Questions for Reflection")

Prayers

A form is provided in Evangelical Lutheran Worship, pp. 316–318.

Blessing

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Amen.

The greeting of peace may be shared by all.

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