## READINGS & PRAYERS

May 3rd - May 9th, 2021

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Jesus is Risen! This week continues in the season of Eastertide. Easter is about Jesus' resurrection. We celebrate his rising from the dead and his triumph over sin, death and hell!

Monday Psalm 83 | Daniel 11.1-19 | Colossians 3.18-4.18 | Luke 7.36-50

Father, help us to seek the values that will bring us eternal joy in this changing world. In our desire for what you promise make us on in mind and heart.

**Tuesday** Psalm 84 | Daniel 11.20-35 | Romans 12.1-21 | Luke 8.1-15

Father, you restored your people to eternal life by raising Christ, your Son from death. Make our faith strong and our hope sure. May we never doubt that you will fulfill the promises you have made.

Wednesday Psalm 85 | Daniel 12.1-13 | Romans 13.1-14 | Luke 8.16-25

Father of all holiness, guide our hearts to you. Keep in the light of your truth all those you have freed from the darkness of unbelief.

Thursday Psalm 86 | Hosea 1.1-11 | Romans 14.1-12 | Luke 8.26-39

Father, in your love you have brought us from evil to good and from misery to happiness. Through your blessings give the courage of perseverance to those you have called and justified by faith.

Friday Psalm 87 | Hosea 2.1-13 | Romans 14.13-23 | Luke 8.40-56

Lord, by this Easter mystery prepare us for eternal life. May our celebration of Christ's death and resurrection help us experience the new life in him.

**Saturday** Psalm 88 | Hosea 2.14-23 | Romans 15.1-13 | Luke 9.1-17

Loving Father, through our rebirth you give us your life and promise immortality. By your unceasing care, guide our steps toward the life of glory.

**Sunday** Psalm 89 | Hosea 3.1-5 | 1 Timothy 3.14-4.5 | Matthew 13.24-34

Ever-living God, help us to celebrate our joy in the resurrection of the Lord and to express in our lives the love we celebrate.

\*These readings and prayers are collected & adapted from For All the Saints: A Prayer Book For and By the Church

## NEW CITY CATECHISM

Q35: Since we are redeemed by grace alone, through faith alone, where does this faith come from?

A: All the gifts we receive from Christ we receive through the Holy Spirit, including faith itself.