



# *Taking Faith Home*

## *March 22, 2020*

Please take this devotion outline and put it into practice.

May God richly bless you! *Pastor Dan Decker*

The following is offered as a daily discipline for your reading, study, prayer, and praise.

**I. Begin with: *In the Name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.***

### **II. The Sacrament of the Altar, Part 3: The Power of the Sacrament of the Altar**

*How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things? Certainly not just eating and drinking do these things, but the words written here: "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." These words, along with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main thing in the Sacrament. Whoever believes these words has exactly what they say: "forgiveness of sins."*

### **III. PRAYER OF THE WEEK:**

Heavenly Father, Your Son has guaranteed to us the forgiveness of our sins and the deliverance of us from eternal death. Strengthen us by Your Holy Spirit that our faith may increase daily and that we may hold fast to the hope that on the Last Day we shall be raised in glory to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

### **IV. DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS:**

**Sunday**-Ezekiel 37:1-14;

**Monday**-Romans 8:1-11

**Tuesday**-John 11:1-16;

**Wednesday**-John 11:17-27;

**Thursday**-John 11:28-38;

**Friday**-John 11:39-45;

**Saturday**-John 11:46-53

### **V. DAILY PRAYERS** (Please try to focus your prayers on the theme of each day):

**Sunday:** Pray for St. Paul's members to experience the joy of Jesus' resurrection and for the faithful preaching and hearing of God's Word.

**Monday:** Pray in thanksgiving for your Baptism, for your coworkers and the unemployed; for the hungry and homeless; for the widowed and orphaned and for all those in prison.

**Tuesday:** Pray that God's Word would guide your daily decisions, for those who have fallen away from the Church, and for all unbelievers.

**Wednesday:** Pray for those who serve in our government and military; first responders and all who protect us; for your family and friends, and for those who are in adult and junior confirmation classes.

**Thursday:** Pray in thanksgiving for the privilege of receiving the Lord's Supper.

**Friday:** Pray for all Christians who are experiencing persecution because of the Faith and for all who experience mental and physical pain; for the sick and dying and for all those who care for them.

**Saturday:** Pray that the Holy Spirit would draw His people to His House.

**VI. SPECIAL PETITIONS FOR THIS WEEK:** Pray for God to bless our school families during the school shut down.

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ANXIETY  
ON HIM,  
BECAUSE HE  
CARES FOR YOU.**

1 PETER 5:7