

Take Five

Concordia Lutheran Church
Duluth, Minnesota
Week of December 25, 2011

Memory Verse:

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. (John 1:1)

Take five minutes each day to gather as a family. Turn off the TV, computer, cell phone, and other electronic devices. *Take Five* to covenant to be fully attentive to God and to one another.

1. Call to Worship

Leader: For a child has been born for us, a son given to us;

All: Authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

2. “Highs” and “Lows” during the past 24 hours. Take turns sharing. What’s happening in my life in the next 24 hours? What do I need from my family?

3. The Word Speaks. Read the scripture passage on the back or from the weekly devotional. If time permits, read the daily reflection. How does the word speak to me today? Repeat the Memory Verse.

4. Prayer. Pray for the concerns raised at this time. Give thanks for God’s blessings. Or pray the prayer on the back.

5. Sign of the Cross and Dismissal

Mark each other with the sign of the cross on the forehead in remembrance of baptism: “Remember that you are a beloved child of God.”

Leader: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God!

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Wednesday

The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all . . . (Titus 2:11)

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[Jesus] is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being . . . (Hebrews 1:4a)

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. . . to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. (Luke 2:11)

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