


## MEDITATION ON THE CREED

In the name of the Father and of the Son  and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The word is near you;

**it is in your mouth and in your heart.**

*Romans 10:8*

It is with your heart that you believe and are justified,

**and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.**

*Romans 10:10*

Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

*Romans 10:13*

**Anyone who trusts in him will never be put to shame.**

*Romans 10:11*

### PRAYER

*The following prayer or another prayer may be said.*

O Holy Spirit, come to us with your comforting Word, which alone can drive away our doubts. Direct us to our Savior, Jesus, so that we may trust in him with our whole heart.

Amen.

### HYMN

*A hymn may be sung or said.*

### READING

*A Scripture lesson or another devotional selection is read.  
Silence for meditation and prayer may follow the reading.*

### READING FROM CATECHISM

*The Apostles' Creed or a portion of its explanation from the Small or Large Catechism may be read.*

### PRAYER

#### First Article

Heavenly Father, Creator of all things, you give us all that we need for body and life.

**Every good and perfect gift comes from you, the Father of the heavenly lights.**

*James 1:17*

#### Second Article

Lord Jesus Christ, by your suffering and death you have opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

**We approach your throne, O God, with confidence, for mercy and grace in our time of need.**

*Hebrews 4:16*

#### Third Article

Holy Spirit, counselor and guide, you have raised us from death by your powerful Word.

**You, O Spirit of God, have made us. Your breath, almighty One, gave us life.**

*Job 33:4*

Lord, fill our hearts with thanksgiving for your mercy and love.

**Move us with our hearts to believe and with our mouths to confess your saving name. Amen.**

*Romans 10:10*

### BLESSING

Grace and peace to you from him who is, and who was, and who is to come, and from the seven spirits before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

*Revelation 1:4,5*

Amen.