



Daily Prayer for Thy Kingdom Come

May 30th-June 9th

on your own, with your family, or join our
Facebook Live Prayer Event each day at 5:45 pm

We're on Facebook at
All Saints' Episcopal/Anglican Church, Millington, NJ

**Pray for those you know and love
to know the love of God in Christ for them.**

*Use this resource to help guide your prayer
at home or online.*

PREPARATION

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Gladden the soul of your servant,

for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

~ Psalm 86.4

PRAISE

Blessed are you, the God of our ancestors,
worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.

Blessed is your holy and glorious name,
worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.

Blessed are you, in your holy and glorious temple,
worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.

Blessed are you who look into the depths,
worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.

Blessed are you, enthroned on the cherubim,
worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.

Blessed are you on the throne of your kingdom,
worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.

Blessed are you in the heights of heaven,
worthy to be praised and exalted for ever

~ The Song of the Three 29-34

THE WORD OF GOD

PSALM 47

Refrain: **O sing praises to God, sing praises.**

1 Clap your hands together, all you peoples;

◆ **O sing to God with shouts of joy.**

2 For the Lord Most High is to be feared;

◆ **he is the great King over all the earth.**

3 He subdued the peoples under us

◆ **and the nations under our feet.**

- 4 He has chosen our heritage for us,
♦ **the pride of Jacob, whom he loves.**
- 5 God has gone up with a merry noise,
♦ **the Lord with the sound of the trumpet.**
- 6 O sing praises to God, sing praises;
♦ **sing praises to our King, sing praises.**
- 7 For God is the King of all the earth;
♦ **sing praises with all your skill.**
- 8 God reigns over the nations;
♦ **God has taken his seat upon his holy throne.**
- 9 The nobles of the peoples are gathered together
♦ **with the people of the God of Abraham.**
- 10 For the powers of the earth belong to God
♦ **and he is very highly exalted.**
- Refrain: **O sing praises to God, sing praises.**

As Christ was raised by your glory, O Father, so may we be raised to new life and rejoice to be called your children, both now and for ever.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

SHORT READINGS

ASCENSION DAY Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. *Hebrews 9.24*

FRIDAY AFTER ASCENSION As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to human beings, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honour because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make

the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings.

Hebrews 2.8b-10

SATURDAY AFTER ASCENSION I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Romans 8.38,39*

SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, ‘Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, “Out of the believer’s heart shall flow rivers of living water.”’ Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive. *John 7.37-39*

MONDAY Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint. *Isaiah 40.28-end*

TUESDAY Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. *I Corinthians 12.4-7*

WEDNESDAY I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit. *Joel 2.28,29*

THURSDAY Jesus said, ‘Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened

for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!’
Luke 11.9-13

FRIDAY In Christ every one of God’s promises is a ‘Yes’. For this reason it is through him that we say the ‘Amen’, to the glory of God. But it is God who establishes us with you in Christ and has anointed us, by putting his seal on us and giving us his Spirit in our hearts as a first installment.
2 Corinthians 1.20-22

SATURDAY The Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.
2 Corinthians 3.17,18

THE DAY OF PENTECOST Jesus said, ‘Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.’ When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit.’
John 20.21,22

PRAYERS

Prayers may include these concerns:

- God’s royal priesthood, that it may be empowered by the Spirit
- Those who wait on God, that they may find renewal
- All people, that they may acknowledge the kingdom of the ascended Christ
- The earth, for productivity and for fruitful harvests
- All who are struggling with broken relationships

Intercessions

Through Christ, who ever lives to make intercession for us,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lift up our hearts to the heavenly places
and inspire us to serve you as a royal priesthood: *Silence*

Let all peoples acknowledge your kingdom
and grant on earth the blessing of peace: *Silence*

Send down upon us the gift of the Spirit
and renew your Church with power from on high: *Silence*

May peace abound and righteousness flourish,
that we may vanquish injustice and wrong: *Silence*

Help us to proclaim the good news of salvation,
and grant us the needful gifts of your grace: *Silence*

Let us commend the world, for which Christ prays,
to the mercy and protection of God.

Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.

The Collect for Thy Kingdom Come

Almighty God, your ascended Son has sent us into the world to preach the good news of your kingdom: inspire us with your Spirit and fill our hearts with the fire of your love, that all who hear your Word may be drawn to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Being made one by the power of the Spirit, let us pray with confidence as our Savior has taught us

Our Father, who art in heaven ...

May the grace of the Holy Spirit enlighten our hearts and minds. Alleluia. Amen.

Prayers are adapted from *Common Worship* of the Church of England.



THY KINGDOM COME

PRAYING FOR YOUR 5 DURING THY KINGDOM COME

Thy Kingdom Come encourages every Christian to pray for 5 individuals so that they would know God's love for them in Christ. Here are some daily prayer focus points:

ASCENSION DAY **Jesus** Pray for your 5 friends to encounter Jesus in all his grace, challenge and love, that they might say with St Paul, 'For me, to live is Christ'.

FRIDAY AFTER ASCENSION **Praise** Pray for your 5 to be woken up to all that they have already received from God in their lives, and all that he offers them in Christ, that they might praise him.

SATURDAY AFTER ASCENSION **Thanks** Pray for your 5 to recognise the goodness of God in their lives, that they would turn to God in gratitude and trust.

SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION **Sorry** Pray for your 5 to be led by the Holy Spirit to understand the cost of God's love for them in Christ, that this great sacrifice would lead them to repentance.

MONDAY **Offer** Pray for the Holy Spirit to bring an understanding of life in all its fullness that will be theirs as your 5 put everything they have at the disposal of God.

TUESDAY **Pray For** Pray for the Holy Spirit to work in the lives of your 5 now, as you pray for specific things that you know they face.

WEDNESDAY **Help** Pray for your 5 that they would know that they never have to face anything alone, but that in their need they would call on God for help.

THURSDAY **Adore** For the eyes of your 5 to be opened to all that Jesus offers them and that they would turn their faces to him and enjoy the warmth of his love.

FRIDAY **Celebrate** Pray for yourself and those others the Lord sends to help show your 5 their route home to God, that they would know the loving father running to greet them.

SATURDAY *Silence* Pray for the Holy Spirit to put on your heart the desires of heaven for your 5.

THE DAY OF PENTECOST *Thy Kingdom Come* Pray ‘Come Holy Spirit’ for your 5 friends, that they may joyfully enter the Kingdom of God and find themselves used by God to pray and act ‘Thy Kingdom Come’.



HOW DOES THIS WORK?

The Most Rev. Justin Welby, the Archbishop of Canterbury, invites all Episcopalians, Anglicans, and other Christians to join in a global wave of prayer for our world to come to know the life-giving love of God in Christ. This prayer effort takes place between Ascension and Pentecost.

The steps are simple:

- Choose 5 people you know to pray for.
- Write their names on a card or in your phone.
- Pray for them daily, starting on 5/30.
- Join our Facebook Live Prayer Event, or pray on your own.
- Trust and expect that God is answering your prayer.

Then on the Day of Pentecost, at both our Sunday services, we will offer to God prayer cards with the names of those for whom we have been praying during this time.

Want to know more? Go to www.thykingdomcome.global/

We hope you will join us – on your own, with your family, in Church, or on-line.

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