

Where The Thirsty Find Life

Pray then, in this way: "Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen."

Matthew 6:9-13

The other week in worship, during my sermon on the Lord's Prayer, I made mention of the inability to really cover in detail the Lord's Prayer in a single sermon. There's so much wealth there about the coming kingdom of God and the invitation to enter that is impossible to cover in 15-20 minutes. So, we're going to spend more time talking about it in the coming months. Starting in September, we'll be meeting to study the Lord's Prayer on Tuesday mornings and Wednesday evenings to go through the specifics of the Lord's Prayer.

New Testament scholar NT Wright says in his book *The Lord and His Prayer* that the Lord's Prayer is a "way in which (Jesus) understood his own vocation and mission and invited his followers to share it." As I reflect on the prayer itself, it is not so much a perfect way to pray nor is it an outline of how we should pray. Instead, it is an expression-in condensed form-of the life and ministry of Jesus as he proclaimed, both in word and action, what God's kingdom looked like. In addition, during several of our sessions together, instead of our normal Bible study, we'll have a time of praise/worship and prayer. I want us to be able to focus less on the immediate concerns of our hearts and more on the larger concerns of God about our world. You will find more specific information below. Sign up sheets will be available in the gathering area as well as the hallway; I hope you will join us!

In Christ,

Matthew Hall

The Kingdom Prayer schedule

Tuesdays	Wednesdays	
9/6 @10am	9/7 @6pm	How not to pray (v. 5-8)
9/13 @10am	9/14 @6pm	Our Father who is in heaven (v. 9a)
9/20 @10am	9/21 @ 6pm	Prayer & praise
9/27 @10am	9/28 @6pm	Holy is your name (v. 9b)
10/4 @ 10am	10/5 @6pm	Your kingdom-on earth & in heaven (v. 10)
10/11 @10am	10/12 @6pm	Our daily bread (v. 11)
10/18 @10am	10/19 @6pm	Prayer & praise
10/25 @10am	10/26 @6pm	Forgive us as we forgive (v. 12)
11/1 @10am	11/2 @6pm	Temptation & deliverance (v. 13a)
11/8 @10am	11/9 @6pm	His kingdom, power, & glory (v. 13b)
11/15 @10am	11/16 @6pm	Praver & praise

New Prayer Requests

Delaney Heckert (Sandi Pupa's niece) Cancer & Infection

Betsy Storms

Will Alexander - Thyroid

Rex & Brenda Hiatt - Rex in CCU/Viral Meningitis

Family of Dorothy Lawrence

Sharon Stephens - Cancer (Mavis Thrash's Niece)

Teresa Miller - Cancer

Ela (Karin Both's niece) - Cancer

Please continue to pray for:

Francois du Plessis, Ken LaBruyere, Gladys Stewart, James & Glenda Smith, Barbara Walker, Brenda Huffman

If you have a prayer request please let the office know.

Also, if there is a possible need for Hospitality please contact

Robin Thompson at 662-404-6014 or rbt613@gmail.com

Calendar

Sunday, August 14

9:30 A.M.Worship 10:45 A.M.LifeGroups

Tuesday, August 16

5:00 P.M. Staff Meeting

Wednesday, August 17th

6:00 P.M. Children & Youth

Sunday, August 21

9:30 A.M.Worship

10:45 A.M.LifeGroups

The Gathering/Jackson for Youth 6-12 grade

Wednesday, August 24

6:00 P.M. Children & Youth

Sunday, August 28

9:30 A.M. Worship 10:45 A.M. LifeGroups

August Birthdays

4th	Peggy Baldwin Elizabeth Hall	
5th	Jake Joyner Mindy Mendiola	
13th	Gertrude Hodges	
15th	Whitney Rhett	
17th	Scott Dickey Leslie Payne	
24th	Butch Shannon	
25th	Semmes Martin	
26th	Shelby Dickey	
29th	Leigh Ann Smith	
30th	Barbara Miller	

The presence of flowers in the sanctuary on Sunday mornings and evenings add beauty and warmth to our weekly gatherings for worship as a congregation. Flowers may be placed in honor or in memory of someone, or to celebrate a birthday, anniversary or in recognition or honor of someone's achievement.

If you would like to provide flowers for the sanctuary...

- 1. Purchase an arrangement yourself from a local florist. <u>Please discuss delivery arrangements with the office.</u>
- 2. Contact Cathy Ellis at (601) 934-1026 for her help with an arrangement.

Monetary donations to the Sanctuary Flower fund would also be appreciated at any time. We have a calendar outside the church office for you to choose a date. For dedication information to be published in the Sunday bulletin the day an arrangement is placed, it should be submitted to the church office no later than 9am on Tuesday of the week the arrangement is to be displayed.

The Kingdom Prayer Study

A Journey through the Lord's Prayer

Tuesday Class

begins September 6th at 10 am

Wednesday Class

begins September 7th at 6 pm

Every 1st Wednesday, for Sept. Oct., and Nov., Potluck meal gathering at 5:15 pm.

Every 3rd Wednesday, for Sept., Oct. and Nov., we will join together for **Prayer and Praise** in the Sanctuary at 6 pm

Sign up Sheets are available in the Gathering Area and the hallway to Sunday School Rooms.

Yoga Class

Wednesday Nights - 6 pm

Led by our own - Jessica Hall
Please bring a mat, hand towel or
yoga strap, and hydration.

Sign up Sheet is available in the Gathering Area and the hallway to Sunday School Rooms.

The Gathering - August 21st

Grades 6 -12 - See Amy Floyd for details

Worship Volunteers Greeters

August 14

Cathy Ellis Front Door
Angie Sherrill Downstairs

August 21

Robin Thompson Front Door Nancy Crews Downstairs

August 28

Linda Long Front Door Sandy Thomas Downstairs

Readers

August 14Carrol BarhamAugust 21Cathy EllisAugust 28Cindy Lang

Communion Servers

September 4th

Dixie LaBruyere Eddie Crews Ginny Adkins Grady Coleman

Acolytes

August 14

Dylan Brown Ridge Brown

August 21

Lucy, Max and Katie Autry

Sunday Morning Snacks

August 14

Jennifer St. John Angie Sherrill

August 21

Amy Floyd Nancy Crews

August 28

Cathy Ellis Robin Thompson



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

To:

Lectionary Readings:

 August 14
 Isaiah 5:1-7
 August 28
 Jeremiah 2:4-13

 Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19
 Psalm 81:1, 10-16

 Hebrews 11:29-12:2
 Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Luke 14:1, 7-14

Luke 12:49-56

August 21 Jeremiah 1:4-10

Psalm 71:1-6 Hebrews 12:18-29

Luke 13:10-17

Sermon Titles & Scripture

August 14 Today's Trouble Is Enough - Matthew 6:24-34

August 21 Blinded by the Light - Matthew 7:1-6

August 28 The Gift of God - Matthew 7:7-12

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