

# March 2019

## DAILY PRAYER CALENDAR

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The March prayers have been written by Care Ministries.

The Upper Room, a daily devotional guide for United Methodists, provides a devotional reading for each of the days of March that goes with each of the Scripture readings and prayers on this month's prayer calendar. The devotional for each day will enrich your quiet time with the Lord in the month of March.



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><b>31</b> <i>1 Samuel 1:1-28</i> Dear Father, these verses teach us to have patience and consistent faith in you when we go through struggles, for struggles prepare us for what we may later face. Help us to look at the good in people and lay aside hate, as David did with Saul.</p>	<p><b>PRAYER WILL CHANGE YOUR LIFE...</b></p> <p><b>PRAY ANYTIME, ANYWHERE!</b></p>				<p><b>1</b> <i>1 Corinthians 12:12-27</i> Dear God, today we thank you for the body of believers. The balance of the gifts you give to each are perfect. Help us to find our special part so that we may contribute to the whole and further your kingdom on earth as it is in heaven.</p>	<p><b>2</b> <i>Ephesians 3:14-19</i> Dearest Lord, thank you for Paul's beautiful words describing your immeasurable love for us. It is wide, long, high and deep. For this love, we kneel before you today. We ask the Holy Spirit to fill every aspect of our lives to the fullest, as we live daily for you.</p>
<p><b>3</b> <i>Matthew 18:23-35</i> Lord, I am guilty of seeking your forgiveness, but of not extending forgiveness to those around me. Help me to treat my sisters and brothers here on earth with the same loving-kindness and forgiveness that you bestow on me.</p>	<p><b>4</b> <i>Joshua 1:1-9</i> God, I thank you for trusting me to carry on the work begun by the fathers of our faith. Remind me when I hesitate that I am called to this work, that you will equip me for the tasks ahead, that you have already made ready the path, and will not leave my side. Keep my focus on you, and an eternal "yes" on my lips.</p>	<p><b>5</b> <i>John 15:12-17</i> It should be so easy to keep this commandment, Lord – just love. But my humanity gets in the way and I hear myself thinking, "Yes, but . . ." Then I remember that you chose me, and through my frailty I can teach that your kind of love can't be earned but is freely given. I am blessed to be chosen BY love, chosen TO love, and chosen to BE love.</p>	<p><b>6</b> <i>Acts 16:22-31</i> Lord, when I feel your spirit leading me but find the way blocked by the anger, aggression, and negativity of others, remind me that you are ever-present; that you will work your purpose in the midst of chaos; and the best time to praise you for your mighty works is when they have yet to be revealed. How great is your faithfulness!</p>	<p><b>7</b> <i>Philippians 3:10-14</i> Father, some days I feel so inadequate. I long to be more prayerful, to study your Word with greater insight, and to witness to your love and power to those who don't know you. Help me today to forget the failures of yesterday and let you guide me into a tomorrow that is closer to the perfection to which we are called.</p>	<p><b>8</b> <i>Psalms 18:1-6</i> Lord, hear my cry of distress. Life hasn't been easy. I need you now. You are my strength, my rock and my deliverer. In you, Lord, I find my safe place. Hold me close.</p>	<p><b>9</b> <i>Psalms 42:5-8</i> Holy God, when I am downtrodden and lost in the turmoil and noise of life, help me to hang my faith on your providential care. Lift my eyes to see beyond my circumstances and help me to sing the night song of adoration for your unchanging, unwavering, unblinking love. I thank you, God, that you are enough.</p>
<p><b>10</b> <i>Philippians 3:17-21</i> Father God, inspire me to follow the example of those whose eyes are set on you, not those whose vision is only for earthly gain. Remind me that this world is not my true home but that you have granted me eternal citizenship in your kingdom. Help me always be true to my highest calling and identity.</p>	<p><b>11</b> <i>John 14:15-19</i> You are so amazing, Lord! You sacrificed your life to redeem me but you didn't leave me. You sent your Holy Spirit to care for me. I want to live for you. Let your Holy Spirit guide me in all I do and say.</p>	<p><b>12</b> <i>Ephesians 5:17-12</i> There is nothing on earth that can compare to the joy we have in you, Jesus. Help me to submit daily to your will. I want to live with gratitude and happiness. I want to express my love by helping others. Help me to give thanks to you in all circumstances.</p>	<p><b>13</b> <i>Matthew 25:31-46</i> Jesus - Prophet, Priest and King. My mind swirls in your parable, separating sheep from goats. My life and eternity are at stake. Which corral am I in? I am blessed not to have to sort. I have your love and grace. Moving forward, guide me in my commission to be salt and light for your world.</p>	<p><b>14</b> <i>Matthew 7:9-12</i> Father God, we thank you for your love, kindness, and generosity. As Jesus taught, if we seek, you have given us everything in abundance. Conceived in your love, we only need to ask. Help and guide us, Lord, to do the same for our brothers and sisters.</p>	<p><b>15</b> <i>Exodus 31:1-11</i> Lord, I am amazed and grateful. You are constantly sending people filled with the Holy Spirit to join us on our journeys. You have blessed them with the know-how, skills, abilities, and expertise of every kind to create the world you desire us to have. Help us to recognize our gifts to share with others.</p>	<p><b>16</b> <i>Philippians 4:10-13</i> Lord God, I am grateful. I rejoice knowing you always have care and concern for me. I know that regardless of my circumstances, humble or abundant, you are always taking care of me. I know the secret: I can do all things because of Christ who strengthens me!</p>
<p><b>17</b> <i>Matthew 14:13-21</i> Jesus, today I feel the same level of astonishment the disciples must have felt the first times they witnessed you bringing miracles from little or nothing. You are still doing the same today when I "bring it to you." You always provide enough, and more.</p>	<p><b>18</b> <i>Proverbs 3:5-8</i> Lord, forgive the many times I have tried to run my own ship. I truly want to acknowledge and trust you to direct my path. I need to keep my mind centered on you. Thank you for making me aware of how much you love me.</p>	<p><b>19</b> <i>Romans 5:1-6</i> Heavenly Father, we know you accept us just as we are but that you still show us ways to become more like you. Thank you for giving us the patience to listen for your sanctifying grace, so that our faith will continue to grow, allowing others to see you in us.</p>	<p><b>20</b> <i>Mark 12:28-31</i> Jesus, true God from true God, we worship you. You built the bridge from heaven to earth with the greatest commandments. It is with these you have provided the compass and square, tools we must have for guidance in all our relationships. We seek, pray, and search to confidently know you more intimately.</p>	<p><b>21</b> <i>Genesis 33:1-11</i> Father, I am led to the work of peacemaker and conflict resolution. By your teachings, we can help restore peace in troubled relationships. I also know and believe there are times to be grateful for your rescue and never return to dangerous relationships or situations. Guide me, Lord, to discern and follow your truth.</p>	<p><b>22</b> <i>Psalms 148:1-14</i> Hallelujah! Praise God from heaven, earth, the universe, and all creation. Praise his holy name! Knowing that God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit had our births and purpose planned before time began is overwhelming. And above all, this shows we are important and highly valued. We, too, will praise your holy name. Thank you God!</p>	<p><b>23</b> <i>Philippians 4:4-9</i> Dear God, I pray that you will give me the faith and strength to not be anxious about anything. Help me to fully understand what is true, noble and right so that I may rejoice in you always. Help me to put into practice all those things that you have taught me so that I, too, will enjoy your peace.</p>
<p><b>24</b> <i>Romans 6:3-11</i> Loving and merciful God, I come before you today with a grateful heart. Realizing and living in the gift of life you have given each of us in baptism and resurrection is my heart's sermon. Guide and help me share it in my thoughts, words, and actions. Thanks be to you.</p>	<p><b>25</b> <i>2 Corinthians 1:3-7</i> Father of all compassion, mercy, and consolation, help me. Sometimes I do not know what to do in difficult situations. I am not afraid. Move me, Lord, for others. Teach me the words and gestures to show as the body of Christ, you are always with us.</p>	<p><b>26</b> <i>Jeremiah 29:10-13</i> Lord, I rejoice and shout your praises! I am blessed beyond measure. You have brought me to this place. Your plans are continually unfolding before me. You give me welfare as I work for the same for others. My heart is overflowing in amazement, as I seek and find you!</p>	<p><b>27</b> <i>Psalms 139:1-6</i> God, what did you have in mind when you formed me in my mother's womb? I pray boldly, I dream boldly. Your disciple knows these prayers and dreams must be from you. I seek your will in all I do. Keep your hands on me, Lord, and don't let go!</p>	<p><b>28</b> <i>Matthew 9:35-38</i> Gracious God, I pray that you will use me in any way necessary to go out into the crowds and spread the good news so that the lost sheep will find their shepherd and bring forth workers to join your kingdom.</p>	<p><b>29</b> <i>Psalms 56:8-13</i> Father God, in your love I am never alone. I walk beside you in light and praise your holy name. I will not be silent. You know my mistakes, my hurts, and have caught my tears in your bottle. I lament to you. My enemies know I am not afraid because you love me.</p>	<p><b>30</b> <i>Hebrews 4:13-16</i> Dear Lord Jesus, it is with great comfort today to know that we can come to you, knowing you have been tempted and understand our weaknesses. Let us not be ashamed or timid as we ask for forgiveness, as you are our friend and counselor as well as our king.</p>