

The LORD'S Prayer

Praying the Lord's Prayer forces us to look for things to thank and praise God for in our dark times, and it presses us to repent and seek forgiveness during times of prosperity and success.

It disciplines us to bring every part of our lives to God.

~Timothy Keller

The Lord's Prayer may be committed to memory quickly, but it is slowly learned by heart.

~Frederick Denison Maurice, 19th century theologian



This year, using our theme: *Praying with an Open Heart*, we will spend Lent evening services studying God's gift of the best prayer outline, *The Lord's Prayer*. Each week, concluding with Easter Sunday, we will focus on a petition of the prayer. May this time of study and rededication be a blessing to us as we make the Lent journey to its destination: the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus!

Lent Wednesday Schedule

- ◆ Soup Supper | 5:15pm
- ◆ Quiet Prayer | 6:15pm, Sanctuary
- ◆ Worship | 6:30pm,
with Children's Chat

Holy Week Worship

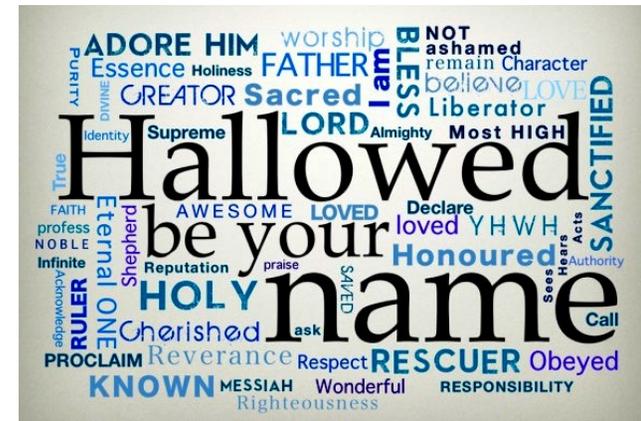
- ◆ Palm Sunday | March 29, 8 & 10:45am
- ◆ Maundy Thursday | April 2, 7pm
- ◆ Good Friday Tre-Ore | April 3, 12-3pm
- ◆ Good Friday Tenebrae | April 3, 7pm
- ◆ Easter Sunrise | April 5, 6:30am
- ◆ Resurrection of Our Lord | April 5, 8 & 10:45am



6:30 PM

February 25, 2026

Lent Wednesday 2



✠ IN THE NAME OF JESUS ✠

Please enter quietly for worship and respect those who are praying.

QUIET PRAYER

This is quiet time for us to spend with our church Family and our Lord. If you wish, you may:

- take a prayer request paper as you enter the sanctuary
- fill it out with your request(s)
- fold and place in the baskets on the altar, at the foot of the cross

These prayer baskets will be lifted up during the worship prayer time.

INVOCATION *Pastor Brad Stoltenow*

Matthew 28:19b

Pastor (P): In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation (C): Amen!

OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 19:14

P: The Lord Almighty grant us a quiet night and peace at the last.

ALL: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

CONFESSION OF SIN AND FORGIVENESS

with Luther's Evening Prayer

P: We pray together:

ALL: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

P: By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in Him we are forgiven.

C: Amen!

HYMN # 766:1-2, 9 "Our Father, Who from Heaven Above"

HOLY SCRIPTURE

Exodus 20:7

You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain.

Leviticus 22:32

You shall not profane My holy name, that I may be sanctified among the people of Israel. I AM the Lord who sanctifies you.

Isaiah 57:15

For thus says the One who is high and lifted up, who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: "I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite."

Matthew 6:9, 10c

Pray then like this: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name, on earth as it is in heaven."

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

P: These are the Words of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

CHILDREN'S CHAT *Jodie Stoltenow*

CATECHISM LEARNING

P: We pray in the Lord's Prayer, "Hallowed be Thy name." God's name is holy in itself, and it is kept holy when the Word of God is taught purely and truthfully. What are we asking, then, when we pray, "hallowed be Thy name"?

C: **We ask God to help us honor His name as Father, call on His name in faith, proclaim His love for us, and live according to His Word. Anyone who teaches or lives contrary to God's Word disrespects God's holy name.**

P: What is meant by "God's name"?

C: **God and His name cannot be separated. His name includes who He is, what He does, and His very presence among us.**

P: What is the connection between this petition and the 2nd Commandment?

C: **Both deal with the name of God and our use of it. The commandment requires that we do not misuse or slander God's name or reputation. In the petition, we pray that we use His name properly.**

ALL: **"Let the one who has My word speak it faithfully." (Jeremiah 23:28)**

P: How does God teach us to live out this petition?

ALL: **"Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." (Matthew 5:16)**

MESSAGE "Hallowed be Thy Name, on Earth as It Is in Heaven" *Pastor Ben Oesch*

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VOLUNTARY *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

violin: Quaid Barnthson, Ben Barstad; viola: Patrick Barnthson

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Holy God, every good gift comes from Your gracious hand. Receive these gifts in thanksgiving for Your goodness to us.

C: **Make of our lives a living sacrifice, that we may give witness to the world of the abundance of Your grace in Jesus Christ. Amen!**

PRAYERS

Matthew 11:28; Psalm 34:15; 1 Peter 3:12

P: Holy Father, Your name is holy in itself. We pray that through the words we speak about You and through the lives we live as those marked by Your sacred name in Baptism, we may never disrespect Your name but honor it in all that we say and do; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

P: Our Father in heaven, we offer these prayers to You. Jesus promised, "Come to me with your burdens, and I will give you rest." And we trust Your word that says, "The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and His ears are open to their prayer." As the Holy Spirit cries out to You on our behalf, hear and respond according to Your loving and gracious will.

C: **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4

P: Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

C: **OUR FATHER WHO ART IN HEAVEN, HALLOWED BE THY NAME, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

GOD'S WORD OF BLESSING

Numbers 6:23-27

P: God told Moses: "Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, 'Thus you shall bless the people of Israel: you shall say to them, The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.' So shall they put My name upon the people of Israel, and I will bless them." This blessing is for all God's people.

C: **Amen!**

HYMN # 890 "O Blessed Light, O Trinity"

✠ TO GOD ALONE ALL GLORY! ✠

Hallowed be your name!

In this petition, "Cause your name to be hallowed!" we hear explicitly the one specific response of the human heart that God requires of all human beings in [the Lord's] prayer: the hallowing, reverencing, honoring, esteeming, admiring, valuing, treasuring of God's name above all things. ~John Piper