

24 Hour Prayer Guide Leading Up To Good Friday Service

March 28, 2024

6:00 PM PRAISE

“Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you and praise your name, for in faithfulness you have done wonderful things, things planned long ago” Isaiah 25:1

“God we praise You because You are the God who sees us and hears every prayer we pray.”

Praise God for who He is! Almighty God, Everlasting Father, King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

7:00 PM THANKSGIVING

“Praise the LORD! Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever!” Psalm 106:1

“I will give to the Lord the thanks due to His righteousness, and I will sing praise to the name of the Lord, the Most High.” Psalm 7:17

Remember what the Lord has done in your life, in our church, for your friends and family and thank Him for it. Thank him for Jesus and for the cross. Thank Him for redemption and freedom.

8:00 PM WAITING

“Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!” Psalm 27:14

“I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in His word I hope;” Psalm 130:5

Quiet your mind and your heart and wait in the presence of the Lord. His sheep know His voice, so listen. Hear what the Holy Spirit might speak to your heart.

9:00 PM CONFESS

“Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.” Psalm 139:23-24

Confess anything that puts a barrier between you and God. Turn from it and receive God’s forgiveness. Make sure that all is right between you and Him.

10:00 PM PRAY THE SCRIPTURES

There is power in praying the scriptures. In doing so, we pray strategically, according to the will of God and not our own. We also pray the scriptures because it is what all believers agree on and praying in agreement is key for power in prayer.

“If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. This is to my Father’s glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.” John 15:7-8

“Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven.” Matthew 18:19

Some scriptures to pray:

Deuteronomy 31:6 – against fear

1 Kings 9:4 – remaining faithful

Psalms 25:12-13 – to prosper

Matthew 5:16 – to be a light in the world

Romans 12:2 – renewed mind

2 Timothy 1:7 – courage

11:00 PM INTERCESSION

“I urge you, brothers and sisters, by our Lord Jesus Christ and by the love of the Spirit, to join me in my struggle by praying to God for me.” Romans 15:30

In intercession, we contend for God to move on someone else’s behalf, asking God for spiritual awakening, healing, deliverance, restoration. Intercede for your children, your family, friends, neighbors and co-workers.

12:00 AM PERSONAL PETITIONS

“Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. Which of you, if your son asks for bread, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him” Matthew 7:7-11

The act of asking is key to receiving from God. We need to be humble to do this. In asking, we acknowledge that we can’t do it for ourselves. We need God. Identify areas in your personal life where you are hungry to see God move and pray in faith to your Heavenly Father who loves to bless you!

1:00 AM SIGNING

“Sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things; His right hand and His holy arm have worked salvation for Him.” Psalm 98:1

“Sing to the Lord a new song, sing to the Lord, all the earth.” Psalm 96:1

Sing! Worship the Lord wherever you are. Sing along with Spotify worship or sing whatever is in your heart! The Lord inhabits the praises of His people. Sing!

2:00 AM PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH

“Proclaim the message; persist in it whether convenient or not; rebuke, correct, and encourage with great patience and teaching.” 2 Timothy 4:2

Ask the Lord to compel us as a church to proclaim His truth and preach His message. It won't always be easy, and it may not be convenient. But His words are life to us. Ask Him to use His Word to rebuke us, correct us and encourage us. Pray that we will follow Him as we hold each other accountable. We as a church are fully dependent on God.

3:00 AM PRAY FOR OUR LEADERSHIP

“Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith.” Hebrews 13:7

Giving thanks for your pastors and leaders is a great way to begin your prayers. Also, according to the Apostle Paul's words to Timothy, pray that your pastor will remain godly and dignified in the work of the Lord. Pray for your pastor's character to match the high calling of teaching God's Word.

4:00 AM REMEMBER THE CROSS

“But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to His own way; and the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all.” Isaiah 53:5-12

Take a moment to remember the what Jesus has done for us. Remember the thorns, the beating, the nails. Count the cost and thank Him for what He has done.

5:00 AM PRAYER FOR THE LOST

“To open their eyes, so that they may turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.”
Acts 26:18

“Brothers, my heart's desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved.” Romans 10:1

Pray for those you know, that they may have a revelation of Jesus Christ. Pray for those who may be coming to our Easter services who are far from Christ. Pray that the Holy Spirit will draw them to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. Ask that we be instrumental in their salvation. Ask God for courage and wisdom to be an effective witness of the Good News of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

6:00 AM PRAY FOR OUR GOVERNMENT LEADERS

“I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.” 1 Timothy 2:1-2

In a world that seems fraught with anger, greed and godlessness, we are full of the spirit of the living God! We bring with us peace, hope and joy. Pray for the corrupt leaders to come under the will of God. Pray for spiritual awakening in our leaders and the leaders around the world. Pray for godliness and holiness in our leadership.

7:00 AM PRAY FOR OUR TEAMS

“Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.” 2 Timothy 2:15

“Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.” Matthew 9:37-38

It takes an army to pull off all of our Easter services. Pray over those who have made the commitment to serve. Pray for their health, their protection, that they would be full of the Holy Spirit and ready to minister.

Some teams to pray for:

Worship team

Greeters

Ushers

Parking Lot

Media Team

Maintenance Team

Student Ministries

8:00 AM PRAY THAT OUR CHURCH BE A BEACON IN OUR COMMUNITY

“You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.” Matthew 5:14-16

Ask God to use our church to glorify Himself in our community. Ask Him to give us wisdom in everything that we do and say, every program or service. Ask that His perfect will be done in our church and that the people would see Him and be drawn to Him through us.

9:00 AM PRAY FOR WISDOM

“If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.” James 1:5

Pray for wisdom for yourself, your children, leaders and pastors.

10:00 AM PRAY FOR SMALL GROUPS

“For where two or three have gathered together in My name, I am there in their midst.” Matthew 18:20

Pray for our existing small groups, that God would strengthen and mature our members. Pray for small group leaders to step up. Ask God if that person is you.

11:00 AM PRAY FOR HEALING

“And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.” James 5:15

Lift up those you know who are sick. Pray a prayer of faith for their healing. Pray for your own healing, having faith that God hears and will answer.

12:00 PM PRAY FOR OUR KIDS AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

“Don’t let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity.”

Pray for our youth! Pray that they will be strong in the Lord and their testimony will be powerful in the schools and among their friends. Pray for them to resist the temptations of this world and that might be an example for all of the goodness and faithfulness of God.

1:00 PM THANK GOD FOR HIS GRACE

“He has saved us and called us to a holy life—not because of anything we have done but because of His own purpose and grace. This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time” 2 Timothy 1:9

Without grace, where would we be? Thank God for the grace that reconciles us to Him. Thank Him for the grace we have in abundance that we can give to others.

2:00 PM THANK GOD FOR HIS MERCY

“But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved.”

Ephesians 2:4-5

“Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin” Psalm 51:1-2

Mercy is when we do not get what we deserve. Because we know the consequence of sin is death, it is God’s mercy, by sending Jesus to the cross, that saves us from that punishment. Thank the Father for his Mercy, and Jesus for fulfilling the act of mercy.

3:00 PM ASK FOR THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” Acts 1:8

“But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, He will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.” John 14:26

We need the holy spirit to fulfill the great commission. Pray and asked to be filled with the Holy Spirit

4:00 PM PRAY FOR OUR CITY

“If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land.” 2

Chronicles 7:14

“In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.” 2 Corinthians 4:4

5:00 PM ASK GOD FOR STRENGTH TO PERSEVERE

“Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.” Philippians 3:13-14

“We have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original conviction firmly to the very end.” Hebrews 3:14