

2021 Holy Week Prayer Vigil Guide

8:00 pm Maundy Thursday through 8:00 pm Good Friday

Suggestions for prayer during your 15 minutes

- 1) Quiet yourself for a minute before you begin forming words.
- 2) What comes to your heart?
- 3) Bring what comes to your heart before the Lord in prayer.
- 4) We invite you to use the list below if you find yourself looking for prayer topics.
- 5) Feel free to pray any of the suggested scriptures.

Prayer Topics

- ❖ [Click here](#) to pray for our mission partners.
- ❖ Christians across the world who are persecuted for their faith.
- ❖ Those who do not yet know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.
- ❖ Migrants, refugees' and asylum seekers; U.S. and abroad.
- ❖ Those who have been affected by the coronavirus; who have lost family members or who are sick.
- ❖ Those who are suffering from; financial strain, job loss, housing issues, or hunger.
- ❖ Safety for; teachers and students as schools reopen, health care workers, and essential front-line workers.
- ❖ Safe, equal, and quick dispersion of vaccines.
- ❖ Those who are discriminated against because of their race.
- ❖ People who are fearful, anxious and isolated.
- ❖ Our nation and President, and those who hold public office.
- ❖ Those who are suffering from illness or recovering from surgery, and their caretakers.

Suggested Scripture

Psalm 46 (NRSV)

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns. The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Come, behold the works of the Lord; see what desolations he has brought on the earth. He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire. "Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations; I am exalted in the earth." The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

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Psalm 18:1-3

I love you, O Lord, my strength. The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer, my God, my rock in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. I call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised, so I shall be saved from my enemies.

Psalm 23 (KJV)

The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Psalm 27:1

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Psalm 33:20-22

Our soul waits for the Lord; he is our help and shield. Our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name. Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

Psalm 39:7

And now, O Lord, what do I wait for? My hope is in you.

Psalm 42:11

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help and my God.

Psalm 62:5

For God alone my soul waits in silence, for my hope is from him.

Psalm 119:114

You are my hiding place and my shield; I hope in your word.

Psalm 130:5-6

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.

Jeremiah 29:11

For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.

Lamentation 3:22-23

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is thy faithfulness.