

DAY OF *Prayer* GUIDE

September 6, 2023

Pray in the Spirit at all times, with every kind of prayer and petition. To this end, stay alert with all perseverance in your prayers for all the saints.

- Ephesians 6:18

Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation,
be constant in prayer.

- Romans 12:12



A Word From Our Rector

Dear Friends,

Holy Trinity Anglican Church began when a group of friends gathered to pray. They didn't know at the time that God was at work forming a new church body. All they knew was that they were completely dependent on Him. We are just as dependent today. The fuel that fires the Church is the prayers of her people. As we come into God's presence to give him praise, confess our sins, thank Him for His kind mercies and ask for His grace, we find our place in the world. We reorient ourselves to the eternal truths that shape our lives. And we invite the all-powerful to act through us.

We pray because Jesus prayed, and he taught his disciples to pray. Prayer is a form of intimacy with God which offers us an opportunity to hear him, to praise and thank him, and bring our deepest needs and desires before him. In prayer we encounter the living Spirit of God who speaks to us and works to heal us and shape us into the likeness of Christ.

This booklet is a guide for our time together today. It is an invitation to you to be part of God's work in bringing healing and restoration to a hurting and broken world.

Let us rejoice as we call on the Lord and seek his face on behalf of Holy Trinity and our neighbors.

Yours,

John Yates
Rector

A Note From The Day Of Prayer Planning Team

WELCOME! We're tremendously grateful you decided to join us for this time of prayer. It is our hope that prayer will become a way of life for us in a greater way going forward. Prayer is an essential element of our life in Christ and the engine that drives our transformation, service, and ministry. Prayer also allows us to support one another. In fact, we have prayed for you and this time together today.

Our prayers are that this event glorifies God, reminds us of the wonderful things God has done through you and the church, and gives us a vision for what God wants to do in and through our church in the future.

Prayer is a mighty tool that knits our hearts with God's heart, gives us peace and rest as we give God our concerns, and helps to transform us into Christ's image.

Now, as we seek God's will for the church, our neighbors, and the broader community, let us pray!

Prayers For Our Mission & Vision

Our mission at Holy Trinity Anglican is captured in three verbs: proclaim, exalt, and serve. Let's join in prayer for this mission.

Pray that we, as a church, will:

- Remain focused on our mission to proclaim the gospel, exalt the living God, and serve the world around us.
- Keep a clear vision of how to equip God's people for kingdom living and raise up leaders for His Church.
- Align all we do with our goals to train our people, foster community, advance the gospel, and cultivate leaders.

Pray that we will be a people who:

- Hear God's voice above all others.
- Love the Lord with all our hearts, souls, minds, and strength and love our neighbors as ourselves.
- Practice hospitality and generosity with grace.
- Are grounded in faith, propelled with hope, and guided by love.
- Reflect the grace and truth given by Christ.

Prayers For Our Staff & Vestry

When Paul wrote to Timothy, he gave him a list of qualities that are important for leaders. Please join in praying for our staff and vestry that they may be godly leaders like those described by Paul.

Pray that the members of our staff and vestry:

- Honor the Lord through their actions.
- Are united in the gospel, hold fast to what is true, and faithfully teach God's Word.
- Honor one another, care for those in need, and equip members for the work of the kingdom.
- Find refreshment in the Lord on a regular basis.
- Make wise decisions.

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Prayers For The Adults In Our Congregation

Part of what it means to be the body of Christ is that we pray for one another. We are a large church with people of all ages and stages of life. Here are some guidelines for prayer for our whole community.

Pray that adults in our congregation:

- Experience deep relationships and intimacy with God.
- Are faithful to God and His Word.
- Show love and mercy, and walk humbly with God.
- Pursue biblical community.
- Care for one another.
- Reach out to serve our city well.
- Have the wisdom, determination, and resources to disciple others well.

Prayers For The Children In Our Congregation

Pray that the children in our congregation:

- Know God loves them and has a purpose for them.
- Learn about the supremacy of God.
- Learn to hear God's voice.
- Truly understand their identity in Christ.
- Build deep, lasting, and godly friendships.
- Experience emotional, mental, physical, and spiritual protection against the influences of this world.
- Love and obey their parents.

Prayers For Our Neighbors

In downtown Raleigh, we are surrounded by people. Part of the way we love our neighbors is by praying that they might know Christ, walk in His ways, and experience the joy of salvation.

Pray for the following neighbors:

- William Peace University: faculty, staff and students
- Neighbors in The Elan, Smoky Hollow, and soon-to-open Seaboard Station Apartments
- Oakwood and Mordecai neighborhood residents
- State Government employees who work downtown

By God's grace we are in partnership with a number of dynamic local ministries. Pray that the following local ministries will be effective in their work, adequately resourced, and courageous for the gospel.

- Capital Commission
- Carousel Place Bible Study
- Christ Our Life Church Plant
- Father's Forever
- Gateway Women's Services
- Justice Matters
- Mission Triangle
- NC Study Center
- Neighbor to Neighbor
- Raleigh Rescue Mission
- Refugee Hope Partners
- With Love from Jesus
- Tree of Life Church Plant

For more information about our local ministry partners, please visit <https://htcraleigh.org/connect/serve/serve-our-city/>.

Prayers For Our Brothers & Sisters Worldwide

The Church of Christ covers the globe, and though we may not know or see our brothers and sisters in Christ, we can still partner with them in ministry and especially in prayer. Let's join in praying for the 80 million Anglicans around the world and for our global mission partners.

Pray that the Anglican Communion:

- Grows in gospel unity and gospel mission.
- Follows the Holy Spirit's leading in the Global Anglican Futures Conference (GAFCON) work.
- Remains protected in the midst of persecution.

Pray that our global mission partners listed below have a deep sense of God's presence and leading, have sufficient resources, have the wisdom to use resources well, remain gospel centered, and persevere in the face of adversity.

- 127 Worldwide
- American Anglican Council
- Anglican Frontier Missions
- Anglican Relief and Development Fund
- Anglican Diocese of Egypt Deaf Unit
- Anglican Western Australia Diocese
- Awura KWO Farm (Ministry in the Diocese of Lango)
- Bunia Children (Ministry of Bisoke Balikenga in Congo)
- Caritas Foundation care and support of Shady Anis in Egypt
- David Williams – Intersociety Chapter in England
- Diocese of Lango, Uganda Clergy Widows Ministry
- Diocese of Matana in Burundi
- Five Talents
- George Whitfield College, Cape Town
- Langham Partnership International
- Pat and Paul Stocks (Missionaries in Pakistan)
- Peace Center in the Democratic Republic of Congo
- Johann and Louis Vanderbijl (Missionaries in the Netherlands)
- Kerry and Cynthia Buttram (Missionaries in the Netherlands)

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Prayers For Us As We Conclude

Leader: For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may grant us to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in our inner being, so that Christ may dwell in our hearts through faith—that we, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that we may be filled with all the fullness of God. Amen.

- Ephesians 3:14-19

All: Now to Him who is able to keep us from stumbling and to present us unblemished in His glorious presence, with great joy— to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority through Jesus Christ our Lord before all time, and now, and for all eternity. Amen.

- Jude 1:24

Leader: Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

- Ephesians 3:20-21

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

