

Lent Prayer Service

March 12, 2024



Order of Service

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Lent is a season of preparation and repentance during which we anticipate the joy of Easter by remembering the suffering and death of Jesus Christ. In this service our hope is to practice the habits of reflection, confession, repentance and silence as we turn from our sin, deepen our understanding of our union with Christ and remember that our life comes through His death.

Scriptural Call to Repentance – James 4:7-10

I LOVE YOU LORD

I love you Lord and lift my voice,
To worship You

Oh my soul, rejoice!
Take joy, my King in what You hear.
Let it be a sweet, sweet sound In Your ear

Litany of Penitence

*Most holy and merciful Father:
We confess to you and to one another,
and to the whole communion of saints in heaven and on earth,
that we have sinned by our own fault in thought, word, and deed;
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.*

We have not loved you with our whole heart, and mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not forgiven others, as we have been forgiven.

Have mercy on us, Lord.

We confess to you, Lord, all our past unfaithfulness: the pride, hypocrisy, and impatience of our lives,
We confess to you, Lord.

Our self-indulgent appetites and ways, and our exploitation of other people,
We confess to you, Lord.

We have been deaf to your call to serve, as Christ served us. We have not been true to the mind of Christ. We have grieved your Holy Spirit.
Have mercy on us, Lord.

Our anger at our own frustration, and our envy of those more fortunate than ourselves,
We confess to you, Lord.

Our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts, and our dishonesty in daily life and work,
We confess to you, Lord.

Accept our repentance, Lord, for the wrongs we have done: for our blindness to human need and suffering, and our indifference to injustice and cruelty,
Accept our repentance, Lord.

For all false judgments, for uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbors, and for our prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us,
Accept our repentance, Lord

Assurance - Matthew 11:28-30

We come to You and pray that, for Jesus' sake, and through the virtue of the blood once shed for many for the remission of sins, that You would give us perfect pardon of every transgression. Blot out, Lord, all our sins like a cloud, and let them never be seen again. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Songs

COME YE SINNERS

Come ye sinners, poor and needy, Weak and wounded, sick and sore
Jesus ready stands to save you, Full of pity, love, and power
Come ye thirsty, come and welcome, God's free bounty, glorify
True belief and true repentance, Every grace that brings you nigh

Come ye weary, heavy-laden, Lost and ruined by the fall
If you tarry, until you're better, You will never come at all

View Him prostrate in the garden On the ground your Maker lies
On the bloody tree behold Him Sinner, will this not suffice?

Lo! Thy incarnate God ascended Pleads the merit of His blood
Venture on Him, venture wholly Let no other trust intrude

Let not conscience, make me linger Not my working that I bring
All the working He requires Is to feel my need of Him

WISDOM AND GRACE (PSALM 90)

Teach us to number our days
That we may apply our hearts to your ways
Oh teach us to number our days
With wisdom and grace, wisdom and grace,
Wisdom and grace, wisdom and grace

You've been our home and our dwelling our place in all generations
Before the earth and the mountains were formed You are God

Now the span of our lives It is made of sorrow and labor
As the days pass away like the grass How soon we are gone

Let the work of our hands Bring You praise Set your favor upon us

Oh establish the work of our hands May your Kingdom come

Scripture Reading and Teaching - Luke 11:34-35

Prayer of Repentance

THIS IS AMAZING LOVE

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness?
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger?
The King of glory, the King above all kings
Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder?
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder?
The King of glory, the King above all kings

This is amazing grace, this is unfailing love
That You would take my place, that You would bear my cross
You would lay down Your life, that I would be set free
Jesus, I sing for, all that You've done for me

Who brings our chaos back into order?
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter?
The King of glory, the King of glory
Who rules the nations with truth and justice?
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance?
The King of glory, the King above all kings

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain.
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy, worthy, worthy

Benediction

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