



# Service of Worship for the Lord's Day



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This week's prayers are written by Kim Jaynes.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & A WORD OF WELCOME

PRELUDE.....“Must Jesus Bear The Cross Alone” .....James Pethel

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: God's people will always worship Him. This has been true for thousands of years, and it's true today in spite of wars, floods, hurricanes, wildfires, pandemics, and any other disaster that threatens us.

***People: God's laws are always just, and His decisions are always fair. He alone can determine what is right.***

Pastor: God's words are worth more than anything we can imagine. His truth is more valuable than anything we could ever hope to own. Praise be to God! Amen.

HYMN “Come, Ye Sinners, Poor And Needy” #415

## PRAYERS OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Guide: Lord Jesus, we confess that You are the Messiah, the Savior, God's very own Son sent from heaven. You are everything or You are nothing. There is no halfway. We can't just try out this whole Christian thing and see how it goes. . Either we live our lives for You, with God's help, or we're just pretending.

***People: In our prayers we ask You to keep us from deliberately doing wrong. “Lead us not into temptation,” we say, and it's true that sometimes we willfully ignore what we know is right. But the bigger problem is that we can't see our own faults. Forgive us for doing wrong without even realizing it. Hear us now, and every day, as we confess our sins.***

- Silent Confessions -

Gracious God, You don't hold our mistakes against us. You promise to forgive us and forget our sins completely. Thank You for loving us so much. May our words and our thoughts be ones You want to hear. Listen now as we pray: ***Our Father, who art in heaven....***

## **PROMISE OF THE GOSPEL**

Guide: Hear the wonderful truth - Jesus is the Messiah, sent to span the impossible gap between our sinful selves and the all-powerful, perfect God. If we repent and follow Jesus, God forgives us and welcomes us as daughters and sons. Amen!

**GLORIA PATRI** (*Sung in Unison*) Hymn #581

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.***

***As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,***

***World without end. Amen. Amen***

**ANTHEM** "Farther Along" by Russell Mauldin sung by the Erin Choir 10/28/18

**FAMILY SERMON** Joy Bornhoeft

## **PRAYERS FOR HEALTH AND HEALING**

Pastor: Loving Lord, so many need You. They're sad, they're scared, and they don't know which way to turn. Many, perhaps even most of them, don't even know that You offer real peace, real hope, real healing.

***People: We pray for family and friends, neighbors and coworkers, even people we only hear or read about who face serious illness, devastating loss, overwhelming grief, or quiet despair. Some have lost everything—homes, jobs, families, even the last chance they can see for a better life. We may not realize the depth of their pain, Lord, but You do. You not only see what they see right now; You know the future and can see the outcome. Heal them, Lord. Give them Your hope and help them.***

- *Silent prayer for others and ourselves.* -

Pastor: Lord, remind us of Your promises and help us pray especially for those who can't or won't pray for themselves. May Your promises of hope and love bring health and healing to them. Amen.

**"WE COME TO YOU FOR HEALING, LORD"** from hymn #796

***We come to you for healing, Lord,***

***Of body, mind and soul,***

***And pray that by your Spirit's touch,***

***We may again be whole.***

## **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Reader: God, Your Word gives new life. Your teachings offer wisdom for ordinary people like us, and when we heed Your instructions, we know true happiness. Your

commands are a beacon to show us the way. May we listen, learn, and follow. Amen.

## **SCRIPTURE READING**

### **Psalm 19:7-14**

7-8 The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy, making wise the simple. The precepts of the Lord are right, giving joy to the heart. The commands of the Lord are radiant, giving light to the eyes.

***9-10 The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever. The decrees of the Lord are firm, and all of them are righteous. They are more precious than gold, than much pure gold; they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the honeycomb.***

11-12 By them your servant is warned; in keeping them there is great reward. But who can discern their own errors? Forgive my hidden faults.

***13-14 Keep your servant also from willful sins; may they not rule over me. Then I will be blameless, innocent of great transgression. May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.***

***ALL: This is the Word of the Lord. Amen.***

### **Mark 8:27-38**

27-28 Jesus and his disciples went on to the villages around Caesarea Philippi. On the way he asked them, "Who do people say I am?" They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets."

***29-30 "But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" Peter answered, "You are the Messiah." Jesus warned them not to tell anyone about him.***

31-32 He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again. He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.

***33 But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. "Get behind me, Satan!" he said. "You do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns."***

34-35 Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me and for the gospel will save it.

***36-37 What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul?***

38 If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels."

**MESSAGE**....."Who Am I?" .....Rev. John Stuart, Pastor

**DEDICATION** (*Unison*) ) ***Lord, it's human nature to seek power and crave security. We give, but hold back "just in case." Yet You remind us that nothing in this world will save us, and many in this world have so much less than we do. Help us understand that the only way to be safe is to trust it all to You. Please use these gifts to build Your kingdom. Amen.***

**HYMN** "Your Law, O Lord, Is Perfect" #61

**BENEDICTION** (*Unison*) ***May we have the mind of Christ. May we recognize His presence within us, so we can see as Christ sees, think as Christ thinks, and be guided by God's agenda in every situation we face. Amen.***

**DOXOLOGY** #606

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

**POSTLUDE**....."Rejoice, The Lord Is King" .....Healey Willan

**ERIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH VISION STATEMENT**

***Unified in Christ, we actively seek to create harmony  
in a diverse community through compassion, mutual respect and love.***

# prayer request

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**Cade Quinn** (Son of Buster and Apryl Quinn)  
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**Isaiah 46:4**

**“Even to your old age and gray hairs I am he, I am he who will sustain you. have made you and I will carry you; I will sustain you and I will rescue you.”**

**FOLLOW-UP READINGS**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
<b>2 Samuel 22:1-16</b>	<b>2 Samuel 22:17-31</b>	<b>2 Samuel 22:32-51</b>	<b>2 Samuel 23:1-19</b>
<b>Matthew 14:13-21</b>	<b>Matthew 14:22-36</b>	<b>Matthew 15:1-20</b>	<b>Matthew 15:21-39</b>
FRIDAY		SATURDAY	SUNDAY
<b>2 Samuel 23:20-39</b>		<b>2 Samuel 24:1-25</b>	<b>Psalm 1:1-6</b>
<b>Matthew 16:1-12</b>		<b>Matthew 16:13-28</b>	<b>Mark 9:30-37</b>

**BIBLE VERSE OF THE WEEK**

***Psalm 19:12 But who can discern their own errors? Forgive my hidden faults.***

There are some mistakes and sins in my life that I have forgotten entirely. I may not even have asked God for forgiveness at the time, especially during my alcoholic years. Sometimes this bothers me because I have no idea what I may have done, so does God count that sin against me? The good news from today's psalm is this: God's forgiveness is available for those hidden and forgotten sins. Perhaps you have been wondering about this too, so be assured: God's grace is far greater than our sins; God's love through Christ can forgive anyone and anything. 😊