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PENTECOST

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THE DAILY PRAYER PROJECT

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THE DAILY PRAYER PROJECT LECTIONARY

	YEAR A	YEAR B	YEAR C
THE PSALMS	ALL 150 PSALMS 2x PER YEAR	ALL 150 PSALMS 2x PER YEAR	ALL 150 PSALMS 2x PER YEAR
OLD TESTAMENT	LAW & HISTORY Genesis-Leviticus WISDOM & POETRY Proverbs, Job PROPHETS Isaiah Minor Prophets (Part I)	LAW & HISTORY Numbers-2 Samuel WISDOM & POETRY Proverbs, Ecclesiastes PROPHETS Jeremiah, Lamentations Minor Prophets (Part II)	LAW & HISTORY I Kings-Esther WISDOM & POETRY Proverbs, Song of Songs PROPHETS Ezekiel Minor Prophets (Part III)
NEW TESTAMENT	GOSPELS & ACTS Matthew, Mark, Acts PAULINE EPISTLES Romans-Titus GENERAL EPISTLES Hebrews-Revelation	GOSPELS & ACTS Luke, Acts PAULINE EPISTLES Romans-Titus GENERAL EPISTLES Hebrews-Revelation	GOSPELS & ACTS John, Acts PAULINE EPISTLES Romans-Titus GENERAL EPISTLES Hebrews-Revelation

SUNDAYS & HOLY DAYS FROM REVISED COMMON LECTIONARY

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INTRODUCTION

The Daily Prayer Project (DPP) is a daily prayerbook for the people of God that covers every season of the Christian Year with robust, rooted, and cross-cultural liturgies for prayer and scripture reading through seven editions per year. It is a model of prayer that emphasizes the communal, global, and historic practice of prayer, which fuels and forms our individual expressions of prayer in the present season of our lives.

The Project is an entrance into the holy, unifying, and empowering experience of praying together in a common way throughout the Christian Year, knowing that all of us participate with the global and historic family of faith as we learn, together, to pray without ceasing.

Consider establishing rhythms of prayer in your congregation, household, workplace, small groups, or other gatherings so that you might experience the formative reality of common prayer together. If doing this liturgy individually, you are encouraged to take your time to soak it in. If doing this as a group, it may be best to alternate leading each element: one person says the psalm, the next person says the reading, the next person says a refrain, etc. Consider using different postures in prayer (like standing, kneeling, lifted or open hands, etc.) that fit your context.

THE METHODS AND ELEMENTS

Each day of the prayerbook features morning and evening prayer liturgies that are framed by common elements. Everyone's style of praying is different because every person is different. Beyond that, Christian prayer varies widely across cultures and denominations. No one method can capture that. However, we hope that you will find within the DPP a method that gives enough structure and freedom to facilitate a diverse community of prayer. Every element is offered as a suggestion of guidance, not as a binding rule.

- **THE CALL:** Every liturgy of the Daily Prayer Project begins with a call to prayer from the scriptures. This is the shape of Christian prayer: the Father, Son, and Spirit beckons us by a call, and we respond.
- **THE PSALM:** The Psalms form the core language of prayer for people of God and have done so for thousands of years. In the DPP, we are given the same daily Psalm to pray at both morning and evening, allowing for more repetition and deeper meditation in prayer. We pray through all of the Psalms more than two times per year.
- **SILENCE OR SONG:** We live in a loud world, internally and externally. Silence is a counter-cultural act of resistance. We attend to an awareness of God's presence and place ourselves in a posture of listening for his Word. This is also a time for singing. We provide four songs per edition of the Daily Prayer Project that can be found in the Songbook on pgs. 22-23. Full recordings and resources for these songs and others can be found at daily-prayerproject.com/songbook. You are also encouraged to sing songs that come out of your own community.
- **SCRIPTURE READINGS:** The scriptures give us The Story of the Father's redemption of all things in the Son by the power of the Holy Spirit. The Daily Prayer Project follows the Sunday (and certain Holy Day) readings of the Revised Common Lectionary, the largest shared Bible-reading plan in North America. For most Monday-Saturdays, it follows our own Daily Prayer Project Lectionary, which moves through scripture in a slow, three-year cycle.
- **REFRAINS, CREEDS AND SONGS:** These are expressions of faith and adoration that remind us what we believe as Christians and move us to praise God in unity with the Church global and historic.
- **CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE:** This is a time for us to examine our lives, confess our sins, and receive anew God's love for us. There are three times of confession a week: Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday.

- **PRAYERS:** There will be a variety of prayers throughout the seasons of the Project taken from traditional prayers (like the Lord's Prayer, the Gloria Patri, the Agnus Dei, etc.) to more modern and meditative prayers from all over the globe. There is also a section called Prompted Prayers, which move us to pray for all people in all stations of life.
- **ABIDING:** This element is modeled after the ancient form of Christian prayer called *lectio divina*, Latin for "divine reading." This is a form of prayer with four steps: read, meditate, pray, contemplate. The heart of the practice is to let the scriptures be the means through which we encounter and behold God.
- **THE BENEDICTION:** We close our day with a word of love and blessing over our lives from God himself, the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. Our days are framed by the Call and the Benediction; God has the first and the last word over all things in our lives.

ABOUT THE SEASON OF PENTECOST

Pentecost celebrates the sending of the Holy Spirit, the Third Person of the Trinity, the divine breath of God which brings to life the Body of Christ. Pentecost was, and still is, a Jewish feast that is also called the Feast of Weeks, or Shavuot. In Leviticus 23, the Lord had instituted this feast to be counted "seven weeks and a day" after the celebration of Passover. Pentecost in the Greek simply means "fifty" (seven weeks and a day). In Leviticus, this was a feast to give thanks to God for his abundant provision of the harvest and to celebrate God as the generous giver. By the time of the first century, this celebration of Pentecost had also become a remembrance of what had happened in Exodus 19, when the God of Israel descended upon Mt. Sinai in a pillar of fire and gave his people the Law. The Lord had delivered Israel from the land of Egypt (Passover), but they needed to be given a new way of life, they needed to know how to accomplish what God had for them in the world, they needed to be set apart as God's holy people (Pentecost).

Just before the ascension of Jesus, he told his disciples to "wait for the promise of the Father," saying, "you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth," (Acts 1:4, 8). God's people had once again been redeemed through an Exodus—the incomparable Exodus of Jesus' death and resurrection (Holy Week & Easter)—but they needed power from on high, they needed the law of God to be written on their hearts, and they needed to be set apart as God's holy people (Pentecost). That is what we celebrate in this long season after the day of Pentecost (May 31st), that God's Holy Spirit has come to make a New Creation, the Church (2 Corinthians 5:17). This period of the calendar, the season after Pentecost—or Ordinary Time—lasts until the beginning of Advent on November 29th. This volume is part 1 of 3 of that season and goes until July 25th.

RESOURCES AND PRACTICES

All of the seasons of the Christian Year are accompanied by curated resources and practices that are accessible at our website: www.dailyprayerproject.com.

SEASONAL ARTWORK

“Grace (2010)” by Candice Canessa.

“Our individual lives may seem mundane to us on a daily level, but are in reality filled with decisions and relationships that can and do change us and the lives of others. As the body of Christ we are compelled to extend the same grace and mercy that we have received from our Father, because of His Son. Christ loved and forgave first, then pursued fellowship and change according to His will. This piece was originally called ‘Hands outstretched arms around each other. Grace.’”

DPP Note: “This Pentecost will dawn on us in the middle of a global pandemic. In a time where anxiety and uncertainty often tempt us to look inward, to self-preserve, to hoard, and to turn away from the other, we pray this piece would inspire us to display the Spirit given to us. Would we be His ambassadors, granting grace with outstretched arms to a world desperate for answers. After all, we have the Answer.”

If you are a visual artist interested in displaying your work through the Daily Prayer Project, please fill out the form in The Gallery section of our website or email us at team@dailyprayerproject.com.

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Music and visual art credits can be found in the Gallery and Songbook sections.

May we all experience deep communion and transformation during this season of Pentecost as we learn, together, to pray without ceasing.

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May 31

PS: 104

OT: Numbers 11:24-30

NT: Acts 2:1-21

1 Cor. 12:3-12

June 7

PS: 8

OT: Genesis 1:1-2; 4a

NT: Matthew 28:16-20

2 Cor. 13:11

June 14

PS: 100

OT: Genesis 18:1-15

NT: Romans 5:1-8

Matthew 9:35-10:8

June 21

PS: 86

OT: Genesis 21:8-21

NT: Romans 6:1-11

Matthew 10:24-39

June 28

PS: 13

OT: Genesis 22:1-14

NT: Romans 6:12-23

Matthew 10:40-42

July 5

PS: 145

OT: Genesis 24:34-38,
42-49, 58-67

NT: Romans 7:15-25

Matthew 11:16-19,
25-30

July 12

PS: 139

OT: Genesis 25:19-34

NT: Romans 8:1-11

Matthew 13:1-9,
18-23

July 19

PS: 105

OT: Genesis 28:10-19a

NT: Romans 8:12-25

Matthew 13:24-30,
36-43

+ MORNING PRAYER +

THE CALL

Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD!

(Psalm 150:6)

THE PSALM

Read the Psalm appointed for the day.

THE GLORIA

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end.
Amen.

SILENCE OR SONG

(Seasonal song selections can be found on pgs. 22-23)

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Read the Old Testament passage appointed for the day.

THE LORD'S DAY PRAYER

Holy Spirit, we ask you to reveal Christ, our King, to us this morning as the Son of Man and the Son of God, for he is fairer than the sons of men; the Firstborn of all creation; the Word of life; the Living Water that we seek. You are the Potter, and we are the clay, so we submit our hearts, minds, wills, and bodies to you, and pray together, corporately as your church, for you to make us holy. Create within us dissatisfaction for all that is ungodly, Father; and shape our desires according to your will for our lives. Do not leave us to ourselves, and protect us from our flesh, the world, and the devil. Move us out of apathy, stubbornness, dullness, and regret; and grant us ears to hear and eyes to behold the good news of your gospel; the beauty of your salvation; and the glory of your Holy Spirit in our midst today, even this morning, in the service of worship. We wait for you, Lord God, and worship you alone.

(Kari Kristina Reeves. Taken from Canyon Road: A Book Of Prayer)

ABIDING

Pause to give thanks and praise God for the gift of the Holy Spirit. Prepare your heart to celebrate the sending of the Spirit with your sisters and brothers. Listen to the voice of God in the scriptures. Read. Meditate. Pray. Contemplate. Seek God's face.

PROMPTED PRAYER

- For the fruit and gifts of the Holy Spirit to be manifested in your congregation
- For those who do not yet profess faith in Christ and for their new birth
- For those who worship while physically isolated and alone

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven,

Hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors,

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever, Amen.

+ EVENING PRAYER +

THE PSALM

Read again the Psalm appointed for the day.

SILENCE OR SONG

(Seasonal song selections can be found on pgs. 22-23)

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Read the New Testament passage appointed for the day.

ABIDING

*Pause at the end of this Sabbath Day. Enjoy communion with the living God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Listen to the voice of God in the scriptures. Read. Meditate. Pray. Contemplate. Seek God's face.*

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

Pray for the known needs of your church, neighborhood, city, and world.

PRAYER

*"And I will feast the soul of the priests with fatness
and My people will be satisfied with my goodness."*

(Jeremiah 31:14)

With sweet intimacy through the Spirit with the Father:

Lord, feast our soul

(repeat this refrain after each line)

With the life-giving law of blinding glory now inscribed on our hearts:

With peace in and through Christ himself:

With divine strength that transforms disappointment into friend and healer:

With indulgent lovingkindness saturating our hearts through the Holy Spirit:

With the pungent blood that secured our eternal redemption, drawing us who were once far off near:

With a rich and glorious inheritance guaranteed through the seal of the promised Holy Spirit:

With fresh passions and desires, and a heart to know God:

With the savory "yes" spoken to all God's promises by Christ—
our wisdom, knowledge, and only hope of glory:

With triumph over fear and death:

With lightness that comes from a canceled record of debt nailed to the cross:

And finally, with the tender affection of Christ, our true food and drink:

Lord, feast our soul.

(Alicia Akins)

THE BENEDICTION

If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you,
he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies
through his Spirit who dwells in you.

(Romans 8:11)

SUNDAY

June 1
PS: 50
OT: Proverbs 3
NT: Acts 2:22-47

+ MORNING PRAYER +

THE CALL

The Spirit of God has made me,
and the breath of the Almighty gives me life.

(Job 33:4)

June 8
PS: 56
OT: Proverbs 9
NT: Acts 6:8-7:53

THE PSALM

Read the Psalm appointed for the day.

June 15
PS: 62
OT: Proverbs 15
NT: Acts 10:1-48

THE GLORIA

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end.
Amen.

June 22
PS: 68
OT: Proverbs 21
NT: Acts 13:42-14:7

SILENCE OR SONG

(Seasonal song selections can be found on pgs. 22-23)

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Read the New Testament passage appointed for the day.

June 29
PS: 74
OT: Proverbs 27
NT: Acts 17:1-15

PRAYER

The fruit of the Spirit is

love,

joy,

peace,

patience,

kindness,

goodness,

faithfulness,

gentleness,

self-control

Holy Spirit,

please cultivate this fruit in my life

(Galatians 5:22-23)

(Pray through this verse slowly and repetitively)

July 6
PS: 80
OT: Ruth 1
NT: Acts 20:36-21:16

July 13
PS: 86
OT: 1 Samuel 3
NT: Acts 25:1-22

ABIDING

Pause at the start of a new day. Enjoy communion with the living God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Listen for the voice of God in the scriptures. Read. Meditate. Pray. Contemplate. Seek God's face.

July 20
PS: 92
OT: 1 Samuel 9
NT: 1 Cor. 2:1-16

PROMPTED PRAYER

- For an awareness of the presence and power of God the Spirit in your life
- For those who work as musicians, artists, designers, and writers
- For the unity of the Church

THE LORD'S PRAYER

+ EVENING PRAYER +

THE PSALM

Read again the Psalm appointed for the day.

SILENCE OR SONG

(Seasonal song selections can be found on pgs. 22-23)

CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

C: O Lord, who has mercy upon all, take away from me my sins, and mercifully kindle in me the fire of your Holy Spirit. Take away from me the heart of stone, and give me a heart of flesh, a heart to love and adore you, a heart to delight in you, to follow and enjoy you, for Christ's sake.
Amen.

[St. Ambrose (A.D. 339-397) of Milan, Italy]

A: I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.

(Ezekiel 36:25-27)

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Read the Old Testament passage appointed for the day.

ABIDING

Pause at the end of this day. Enjoy communion with the living God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Listen for the voice of God in the scriptures. Read. Meditate. Pray. Contemplate. Seek God's face.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

Pray for the known needs of your church, neighborhood, city, and world.

THE BENEDICTION

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(2 Corinthians 13:14)

June 2
PS: 51
OT: Proverbs 4
NT: Acts 3:1-26

+ MORNING PRAYER +

THE CALL

Open my lips, O Lord,
and my mouth will declare your praise.

(Psalm 51:15)

June 9
PS: 57
OT: Proverbs 10
NT: Acts 7:54-8:3

THE PSALM

Read the Psalm appointed for the day.

June 16
PS: 63
OT: Proverbs 16
NT: Acts 11:1-18

SILENCE OR SONG

(Seasonal song selections can be found on pgs. 22-23)

June 23
PS: 69
OT: Proverbs 22
NT: Acts 14:8-28

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Read the Old Testament passage appointed for the day.

June 30
PS: 75
OT: Proverbs 28
NT: Acts 17:16-34

SONG

“Kingdom Prayer”

(Sheet music can be found on pg. 22)

Great Father on the Throne | Creator of all things
Lord Jesus, Holy Lamb of God | Majestic King of Kings
Eternal Spirit sent | To help us when we pray
Our prayers are rising up to you | Like incense as we say:
Lord, let your kingdom come! | Lord, let your kingdom come!

Where sin and sorrow reign | Shalom is torn apart
Where selfishness and pride corrupt | Our systems and our hearts
Where justice goes denied | And violence runs our streets
Where Mammon is the god we serve, | Lord, hear our earnest plea:
Lord, let your kingdom come! | Lord, let your kingdom come!

(Russ Whitfield and Joel Littlepage)

July 7
PS: 81
OT: Ruth 2
NT: Acts 21:17-39

July 14
PS: 87
OT: 1 Samuel 4
NT: Acts 25:23-26:32

ABIDING

*Pause at the start of a new day. Enjoy communion with the living God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Listen for the voice of God in the scriptures. Read. Meditate. Pray. Contemplate. Seek God’s face.*

July 21
PS: 93
OT: 1 Samuel 10
NT: 1 Cor. 3:1-15

PROMPTED PRAYER

- For the sanctification of the Spirit
- For the teenagers in your life
- For those who are experiencing anti-Asian racism

THE LORD’S PRAYER

+ EVENING PRAYER +

THE PSALM

Read again the Psalm appointed for the day.

SILENCE OR SONG

(Seasonal song selections can be found on pgs. 22-23)

SONG

“Your Spirit”

(Complete song lyrics can be found on pg. 23)

No es poder | no es por fuerza
Es su Espíritu, ven Espíritu
No es poder | no es por fuerza
Es su Espíritu, ven Espíritu de Dios

Tu eres el fuego | yo soy el templo
Eres la voz | soy tu canción
Eres mi Dios | somos tu pueblo
Eres la luz | me rindo a ti
Me rindo ante ti | me rindo ante ti

Not by might | Not by power
By your Spirit, God | Send your Spirit, God
Not by might | Not by power
By your Spirit, God | Send your Spirit, God

You are the fire | We are the temple
Your are the voice | We are your song
You are our God | We are your people
You are the light | We stand in awe
We stand in awe of you | We stand in awe of you

(Tasha Cobbs, Jonas Myrin, Matt Redman, and Kim Walker Smith. Sp. trnsl. by Solongie Rodriguez)

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Read the New Testament passage appointed for the day.

PRAYER

Breathe in me O Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy.
Act in me O Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy.
Draw my heart O Holy Spirit, that I love but what is holy.
Strengthen me O Holy Spirit, to defend all that is holy.
Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit, that I always may be holy. Amen.

[St. Augustine (A.D. 354–430) of Hippo (present-day Annaba, Algeria)]

ABIDING

*Pause at the end of this Sabbath Day. Enjoy communion with the living God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Listen to the voice of God in the scriptures. Read. Meditate. Pray. Contemplate. Seek God’s face.*

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

Pray for the known needs of your church, neighborhood, city, and world.

THE BENEDICTION

Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there!
If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there! If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me.

(Psalm 139:7–10)

TUESDAY

June 3
PS: 52
OT: Proverbs 5
NT: Acts 4:1-31

+ MORNING PRAYER +

THE CALL

The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come."
And let the one who is thirsty come;
let the one who desires take the water of life without price.

(adapted from Revelation 22:17)

June 10
PS: 58
OT: Proverbs 11
NT: Acts 8:4-25

THE PSALM

Read the Psalm appointed for the day.

June 17
PS: 64
OT: Proverbs 17
NT: Acts 11:19-30

THE GLORIA

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

June 24
PS: 70
OT: Proverbs 23
NT: Acts 15:1-35

SILENCE OR SONG

(Seasonal song selections can be found on pgs. 22-23)

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Read the New Testament passage appointed for the day.

July 1
PS: 76
OT: Proverbs 29
NT: Acts 18:1-22

CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

C: Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts!
And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!

(Psalm 139:23-24)

July 8
PS: 82
OT: Ruth 3
NT: Acts 21:40-22:21

A: By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit.
And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world.

(1 John 4:13-14)

July 15
PS: 88
OT: 1 Samuel 5
NT: Acts 27:1-44

ABIDING

*Pause at the start of a new day. Enjoy communion with the living God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Listen for the voice of God in the scriptures. Read. Meditate. Pray. Contemplate. Seek God's face.*

July 22
PS: 94
OT: 1 Samuel 11
NT: 1 Cor. 3:16-23

PROMPTED PRAYER

- For an end to the need to justify ourselves and an acceptance of God's free grace
- For those who are unemployed
- For elected officials

THE LORD'S PRAYER

+ EVENING PRAYER +

THE PSALM

Read again the Psalm appointed for the day.

SILENCE OR SONG

(Seasonal song selections can be found on pgs. 22-23)

PRAYER

God, you are the bottomless well of peace,
the heavenly sea of love,
the fountain of blessings,
and the giver of affection,
and you send peace to those who receive it.
Open to us this day the sea of your love,
and water us with the flowing streams of your grace.
Make us children of quietness, and heirs of peace.
Enkindle the fire of your love in us.
Plant holy reverence for you in us.
Strengthen our weakness by your power.
Bind us closely to you and to each other
in one firm bond of unity;
for the sake of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*[The Syrian Clementine Liturgy (ca. A.D. 96) taken from *The New Ancient Collects*]*

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Read the Old Testament passage appointed for the day.

PRAYER OF MINDFULNESS

Throughout the history of the Church, Christians have incorporated practices of prayer that call to mind God's presence in the moment, humbly and gratefully review the time that has passed, and look forward to the gift of another day. Pray through these prompts slowly, giving time to each step of the practice.

1. Become aware of God's presence.
2. Review the day with gratitude.
3. Pay attention to your emotions.
4. Choose one feature of the day and pray from it.
5. Look toward tomorrow.

THE BENEDICTION

I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live.

(Ezekiel 37:14a)

WEDNESDAY



Creation

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The Creation story unfolds within a framework of counting. As each day passes, the writer repeats his refrain: "And there was evening and there was morning, the first [or second or sixth] day." The structure of this illumination reflects the progression of days, with seven vertical strips, one for each day, and small golden squares arranged in sequences of seven.

On the first day, fragmented shapes explode from the primordial void, expressed by the Hebrew words *tohu wabohu* ("chaos"). A vertical gold line marks the crucial moment when God said, "Let there be light." Gold is used throughout to symbolize God's ordering of the universe. The gold squares expand outward and upward from day one until reaching the serene Sabbath, the seventh day.

Day three contains satellite pictures of the Ganges River Delta, suggesting the division of land and water and the beginnings of vegetation. The creation of human beings on the sixth day is represented by images from aboriginal rock paintings in Africa and Australia. The snake implies dangers to come, in the Garden of Eden. The golden seventh day is given over entirely to the contemplation of the spirit.



Descent of the Spirit, 2017

Corrie Beck
Acrylic + Enamel
on Canvas
30" x 35"

This piece was created as an interpretation of the sending of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, as portrayed in Acts 2. It portrays the Spirit that has been poured out to unify and empower, dismantle ethnic barriers, and fulfill prophecy.

Corrie is a multifaceted artist living in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. She believes creativity manifests in a myriad of ways in us all as we inherently reflect our creator. For Corrie, this is an evolving exploration of mediums from painting and drawing to hand sewing, embroidery, collage, photography, and printmaking and design. She has recently been working more with textiles and clothing, focusing in sustainable fashion. Corrie derives inspiration and influence from a range of sources—muses, movements, culture, creatives, and nature. Art is a way she absorbs, reflects, and processes her environment and experiences and seeks to bring beauty to her surroundings.

THE GALLERY

Get more information about these pieces and previously featured works at dailyprayerproject.com/gallery

June 4
PS: 53
OT: Proverbs 6
NT: Acts 4:32-5:16

+ MORNING PRAYER +

THE CALL

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul
O my God, in you I trust

(Psalm 25:1-2)

June 11
PS: 59
OT: Proverbs 12
NT: Acts 8:26-40

THE PSALM

Read the Psalm appointed for the day.

June 18
PS: 65
OT: Proverbs 18
NT: Acts 12:1-25

THE SHEMA

Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one.
You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart
and with all your soul and with all your might.

(Deuteronomy 6:4-5)

June 25
PS: 71
OT: Proverbs 24
NT: Acts 15:36-16:5

SILENCE OR SONG

(Seasonal song selections can be found on pgs. 22-23)

July 2
PS: 77
OT: Proverbs 30:1-17
NT: Acts 18:23-19:10

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Read the Old Testament passage appointed for the day.

July 9
PS: 83
OT: Ruth 4
NT: Acts 22-23:11

PRAYER

There is so little I understand about prayer, God.
I am small, and stand in great need of your help.
Help me to pray, by your Spirit at work in my spirit,
and give me words to accompany the will of your Spirit in the world.
Give me the power of your Holy Spirit.
Holy Spirit, show me Jesus.
Jesus, show me the Father.

(Canyon Road: A Book of Prayer)

July 16
PS: 89
OT: 1 Samuel 6
NT: Acts 28:1-31

ABIDING

*Pause at the start of a new day. Enjoy communion with the living God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Listen for the voice of God in the scriptures. Read. Meditate. Pray. Contemplate. Seek God's face.*

July 23
PS: 95
OT: 1 Samuel 12
NT: 1 Cor. 4:1-21

PROMPTED PRAYER

- For joy and peace through believing in God's promises
- For the opportunity and willingness to joyfully serve another person today
- For those who work in grocery stores and food delivery services

THE LORD'S PRAYER

+ EVENING PRAYER +

THE PSALM

Read again the Psalm appointed for the day.

SILENCE OR SONG

(Seasonal song selections can be found on pgs. 22-23)

SONG

“Spirit Send Your Fire”

(Sheet music can be found on pg. 23)

We want your Kingdom, rule, and reign
Our divisions keep us chained
Our sins so great we can't ignore
You're the one that can restore

Spirit send your fire
Purify our love
Ignite in us your power
A holy blaze from God
Spirit send your fire
(Urban Doxology)

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Read the New Testament passage appointed for the day.

ABIDING

*Pause at the end of this Sabbath Day. Enjoy communion with the living God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Listen to the voice of God in the scriptures. Read. Meditate. Pray. Contemplate. Seek God's face.*

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

Pray for the known needs of your church, neighborhood, city, and world.

THE BENEDICTION

Now to him who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but has now been disclosed and through the prophetic writings has been made known to all nations, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith— to the only wise God be glory forevermore through Jesus Christ! Amen.

(Romans 16:25-27)

THURSDAY

June 5
PS: 54
OT: Proverbs 7
NT: Acts 5:17-42

+ MORNING PRAYER +

THE CALL

I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,
and I will glorify your name forever.

(Psalm 86:12)

June 12
PS: 60
OT: Proverbs 13
NT: Acts 9:1-31

THE PSALM

Read the Psalm appointed for the day.

June 19
PS: 66
OT: Proverbs 19
NT: Acts 13:1-12

THE GLORIA

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

SILENCE OR SONG

(Seasonal song selections can be found on pgs. 22-23)

June 26
PS: 72
OT: Proverbs 25
NT: Acts 16:6-15

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Read the New Testament passage appointed for the day.

July 3
PS: 78
OT: Proverbs 30:18-33
NT: Acts 19:11-14

PRAYER

Rest on us, O Spirit of Love,
and chase all anger, envy, and bitter grudges from our souls.
Be our Comforter in trial, when the storm goes over our heads;
be our Strength in the hour of weakness, and help us to control the desires of the flesh.
Let us grow in faith and love, in hope, patience, and humility.
See how many temptations surround us, and preserve us from giving way to them;
show us the path where we should tread, for if we trust our own impulses we will go astray;
but if you lead us we shall run in the way of your commandments.
Our hearts lie open before you; enter now with your rich gifts, strengthen, establish, settle them.
Dwell in them and make them your temple, so shall we have the pledge of the children of God,
and of our salvation. Amen.

[Johann Friedrich Starck (1680-1756) of Germany. Taken from *Prayers Ancient and Modern*]

July 17
PS: 90
OT: 1 Samuel 7
NT: 1 Cor. 1:1-17

ABIDING

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Listen for the voice of God in the scriptures. Read. Meditate. Pray. Contemplate. Seek God's face.*

July 24
PS: 96
OT: 1 Samuel 13
NT: 1 Cor. 5

PROMPTED PRAYER

- For gratitude over the beauty of creation and all creatures
- For those who are sick
- For the resolution and healing of conflicts

THE LORD'S PRAYER

+ EVENING PRAYER +

THE PSALM

Read again the Psalm appointed for the day.

SILENCE OR SONG

(Seasonal song selections can be found on pgs. 22-23)

SONG

“Come Ye Desolate”

(Sheet music can be found on pg. 23)

Come, ye disconsolate,
where'er ye languish,
Come to the mercy seat,
fervently kneel.
Here bring your wounded hearts,
here tell your anguish;
Earth has no sorrow
that heaven cannot heal.
(Thomas Moore and Thomas Hastings)

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Read the Old Testament passage appointed for the day.

ABIDING

*Pause at the end of this Sabbath Day. Enjoy communion with the living God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Listen to the voice of God in the scriptures. Read. Meditate. Pray. Contemplate. Seek God's face.*

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

Pray for the known needs of your church, neighborhood, city, and world.

THE BENEDICTION

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,
so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

(Romans 15:13)

FRIDAY

June 6
PS: 55
OT: Proverbs 8
NT: Acts 6:1-7

+ MORNING PRAYER +

THE CALL

Singers and dancers alike say,
“*All my springs are in you.*”
(Psalm 87:7)

June 13
PS: 61
OT: Proverbs 14
NT: Acts 9:32-43

THE PSALM

Read the Psalm appointed for the day.

SILENCE OR SONG

(Seasonal song selections can be found on pgs. 22-23)

June 20
PS: 67
OT: Proverbs 20
NT: Acts 13:13-41

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Read the Old Testament passage appointed for the day.

THE CREED

June 27
PS: 73
OT: Proverbs 26
NT: Acts 16:16-40

I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;
from there He will come
to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy catholic Church,
the communion of Saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

(The Apostles Creed)

July 4
PS: 79
OT: Proverbs 31
NT: Acts 20:1-35

July 11
PS: 85
OT: 1 Samuel 2
NT: Acts 24:1-27

July 18
PS: 91
OT: 1 Samuel 8
NT: 1 Cor. 1:18-31

Creo en Dios
Padre todopoderoso,
creador del cielo y de la tierra.
Creo en Jesucristo, su único Hijo, nuestro
Señor. Fue concebido por obra y gracia del
Espíritu Santo y nació de la Virgen María.
Padeció bajo el poder de Poncio Pilato.
Fue crucificado, muerto y sepultado.
Descendió a los infiernos.
Al tercer día resucitó de entre los muertos.
Subió a los cielos,
y está sentado a la diestra
de Dios Padre.
Desde allí ha de venir
a juzgar a vivos y muertos.
Creo en el Espíritu Santo,
la santa Iglesia católica,
la comunión de los santos,
el perdón de los pecados,
la resurrección de los muertos,
y la vida eterna. Amén.

(Sp. trnsl. from *Canyon Road: A Book of Prayer*)

ABIDING

*Pause at the start of a new day. Enjoy communion with the living God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Listen for the voice of God in the scriptures. Read. Meditate. Pray. Contemplate. Seek God's face.*

July 25
PS: 97
OT: 1 Samuel 14
NT: 1 Cor. 6:1-11

PROMPTED PRAYER

- For a resistance to the love of money and for generosity in all of life
- For those who lead your congregation
- For the flourishing of people in your city from the womb to the tomb

THE LORD'S PRAYER

+ EVENING PRAYER +

THE PSALM

Read again the Psalm appointed for the day.

SILENCE OR SONG

(Seasonal song selections can be found on pgs. 22-23)

CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

C: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

(The Agnus Dei)

A: Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed.

Let us therefore celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven,
the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

(1 Corinthians 5:7-8)

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Read the New Testament passage appointed for the day.

PRAYER OF MINDFULNESS

Pray through these prompts slowly, giving time to each step of the practice.

1. Become aware of God's presence.
2. Review the day with gratitude.
3. Pay attention to your emotions.
4. Choose one feature of the day and pray from it.
5. Look toward tomorrow.

A PRAYER FOR SABBATH

Creator God,

On the seventh day you rested and were refreshed.

Please help me now to enter into the rest of your Sabbath,

That I may cease from my work

And delight in your care over my life

Both now and forever,

Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

Lord, you now have set your servants free to go in peace as you have promised, for these eyes of ours have seen the savior, whom you have prepared for all the world to see: A Light to enlighten the nations, and the glory of your people Israel. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

(Nunc Dimittis - The Song of Simeon, based on Luke 2:29-32)

SATURDAY

KINGDOM PRAYER

Verse



1. Great Fa - ther on the Throne, Cre - a - tor of all things, Lord Je - sus, Ho - ly Lamb of God, ma -
 2. Where sin and sor - row reign, Sha - lom is torn a - part, where self - ish - ness and pride cor - rupt our
 3. Where Christ - ian peo - ple fail, to rep - re - sent your name, Where peo - ple claim - ing faith have brought You



jes - tic King of Kings, E - ter - nal Spi - rit sent to help us when we pray, Our
 sys - tems and our hearts, Where jus - tice goes de - nied and have vio - lence runs our streets, Where
 mock - er - y and shame, Where peo - ple in the church lust - ed for con - trol, Where

Refrain



prayers are ris - ing up to you like in - cense as we say: Lord, let your King - dom come!
 Mam - mon is the god we serve, Lord, hear our earn - est plea: Ven - ga tu rein - o, Dios
 we have loved our brok - en - ness, please come and make us whole!

Bridge



Fa - ther we pray to you in hope and with all con - fi - dence we come, Be - liev - ing
 Pa - dre ven - i - mo san - te ti con es - pe - ran - za y pa - sión Con - fian - do



in the migh - ty pro - mise of Your re - sur - rec - ted Son, Je - sus you've
 en la gran pro - me - sa - de tu re - sur - rec - ci - ón. "Yo he ven -




o - ver - come the world and we pro - claim that this is true: You are not
 ci - do es - te mun - do, "tu pro - cla - ma - ste con po - der. Y no hay




ma - king all new things, Lord you are ma - king all things new (Fa - ther we)
 na - da en la tier - ra - que tu no pue - das ha - cer. Pa - dre ven

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COME YE DESOLATE



1. Come, ye dis - con - so - late, where 'er ye lan - guish, Come to the mer - cy seat, fer - vent - ly kneel.
 2. Joy of the de - so - late, light of the stray - ing, Hope of the pen - i - tent, fade - less and pure!
 3. Here see the bread of life, see wa - ters flow - ing, Forth from the throne of God, pure from a - bove.



Here bring your wound - ed hearts, here tell your an - guish; Earth has no sor - row that heaven can - not heal.
 Here speaks the Com - for - ter, ten - der - ly say - ing, "Earth has no sor - row that heaven can - not cure."
 Come to the feast of love; come, ev - er know - ing, Earth has no sor - row but heaven can re - move.

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SPirit SEND YOUR FIRE

We want Your King - dom, rule and reign Our di - vis - ions keep us chained
Build - ings crum - ble all a - round Bro - ken sys - tems weigh us down

Our sins so great we can't ig - nore You're the One that can re -
Di - vi - ded peo - ple, rich and poor You're the One that can re -

store store Spi - rit send Your fire

Pur - i - fy our love Ig - nite in us Your pow -

er A ho - ly blaze from God Spi - rit send Your fire

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YOUR SPIRIT

No es poder | no es por fuerza
Es su Espíritu, ven Espíritu
No es poder | no es por fuerza
Es su Espíritu, ven Espíritu de Dios

Tu eres el fuego | yo soy el templo
Eres la voz | soy tu canción
Eres mi Dios | somos tu pueblo
Eres la luz | me rindo a ti
Me rindo ante ti | me rindo ante ti

De oscuridad | tú me sacaste
hacia tu amor | hacia tu luz
Me diste corona | en vez de cenizas
Vienes a mí | y vida me das
Me rindo ante ti | Me rindo ante ti

Ven | ven y llénanos
Espíritu | llena este lugar
Ven | ven y llénanos
Espíritu | llena este lugar

Not by might | Not by power
By your Spirit, God | Send your Spirit, God
Not by might | Not by power
By your Spirit, God | Send your Spirit, God

You are the fire | We are the temple
Your are the voice | We are your song
You are our God | We are your people
You are the light | We stand in awe
We stand in awe of you | We stand in awe of you

You called us out | Out of the darkness
Into your love | Into your light
Grace upon grace | Beauty for ashes
You come to us | We come alive
We stand in awe of you | We stand in awe of you

Breathe | Come and breathe on us
Spirit breathe | Come and breathe on us
Breathe | Come and breathe on us
Spirit breathe | Breathe on us

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FOR I WILL POUR WATER
ON THE THIRSTY LAND,
AND STREAMS ON THE DRY GROUND;
I WILL POUR MY SPIRIT
UPON YOUR OFFSPRING,
AND MY BLESSING ON
YOUR DESCENDANTS.
THEY SHALL SPRING UP
AMONG THE GRASS LIKE WILLOWS
BY FLOWING STREAMS.
THIS ONE WILL SAY,
‘I AM THE LORD’S,’

(ISAIAH 44:3-5)



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