Special: A Service in Prayer

St John Church of Christ November 24, 2019

Order of Worship

Worship Leader: Stan Gathering Song: No. 15 Step by Step Welcome and Introduction to our special worship service: Tom Matthew 6:9 - 13 Songs No. 827 Sweet Hour of Prayer No. 769 May I Call You Father? Scripture Reading: Orinn Psalm 22:23 - 23 **Prayer of Adoration** Songs No. 3 Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah No. 74 Praise the Lord Scripture Reading: Chris Proverbs 28:13 **Prayer of Confession** Songs No. 524 I know Whom I Have Believed No. 837 I Need Thee Every Hour Communion: Prayer of Thanksgiving John assisted by Jerry, Fred, Teddy Worship Leader: Richard Song: No. 781 Thank You, Lord! Scripture Reading: Matthew 7:7 - 8 Prayer of Supplication: Terry Songs No. 797 Lord, We Come Before Thee Now No. 461 Be Not Dismayed Whate'er Betide Blessing: Jude 24, 25 (CCLI #244012t9)



Prayer reflects a relationship with God, our heavenly Father. The Creator of the universe has invited us – His children – to commune with Him in prayer.

Today, our entire worship service is focused on prayer. Throughout the month of November, we have been been giving special attention to personally growing in prayer. Today, the entire congregation is worshipping God through prayer.

There are many, many different types of prayer. Some prayers are almost like songs. (Think of the Book of Psalms as an example.) Other prayers are words of confession. (David's prayer in Psalm 51 or Nehemiah's prayer in Nehemiah chapter 1 are good examples.) Prayers of thanksgiving reflect an "attitude of gratitude" – the heart of worship. Still another form of prayer is intercession. These are the least selfish prayers since you cannot intercede for yourself, but as Christians, we can intercede for each other. Finally, perhaps the most common form of prayer asks God our Father to help us and provide for our needs.

The four prayers in our service this morning are a prayer of adoration (praise), a prayer of confession, a special prayer of thanksgiving during the communion. (The early Christians called the Lord's Supper the *Eucharist*, which means the *Thanksgiving*.) Last, we will close with a prayer of supplication, which describes our asking for God's help.

The service will conclude with the blessing for the tiny book of Jude located towards the end of the New Testament.

NOTE:

WE ARE INVITING THE CHILDREN TO REMAIN WITH US IN THE AUDITORIUM DURING THIS SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICE THIS MORNING. CHILDREN'S BIBLE HOUR WILL RESUME NEXT SUNDAY



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Meeting Times

• Sundays

- \Diamond Leisure Homestead 9:30
- Sible Study for All Ages 10:00
- ♦ Worship 11:00
- Wednesdays
- Community Bible Study 2:00 p.m.
- ◊ Dinner & Devo 6:30
- \Diamond Bible Classes 7:00
- Every Other Monday
- $\left< \right>$ Ladies' Bible Class 7:00 P.M.

Elders

- Richard Brensing
- Teddy Gingrich
- Terry Sallee
- George Shelton
- Tom Turner

Deacons

- Jerry Kinnamon
- Chris Mansel
- Orrin Feril

News & Notes

Wednesday Bible Studies

PLEASE NOTE: We will suspend our Wednesday activities this week on the day before Thanksgiving, November 27th. Classes will resume the week after. Enjoy the holiday and we'll see you on December 4th.

Ladies' Bible Class This Week

Monday nights are very exciting at St. John Church of Christ. Our Ladies' Bible Class is discussing the book of *Ecclesiastes*. You can be a part of the fun! Won't you join us at 7:00 P.M. tomorrow night, November 25th? See Cheyenne or Joy for details.

Quotable

A farmer had a neighbor, a constant complainer, a wet blanket in the linen closet of life. The farmer decided to impress this man for once in his existence, so he bought the world's greatest hunting dog, trained it thoroughly, and invited his joyless friend to go hunting. He showed the neighbor how his dog could stand motionless for an hour and pick up a scent a mile away. No response. From the blind the farmer shot a duck, which landed in the middle of the pond. Upon command, the dog trotted out, walked on the surface of the water, retrieved the bird, and dropped him at the feet of his master. "What do you think of that?" the farmer challenged his neighbor. To which his friend responded, "Your dog can't swim, can he?"



Peace Creek

For Your Prayers

We almost to the end of our "Month of Prayer." Have you noticed a change in your life? Remember: prayer reflects a relatioship. It is conversing with God. That is an amazing privilege!

You can learn more by picking up one of our "Month of Prayer" flyers.