

Prayer Time

NOVEMBER 2023



***“Ask and it will be given to you;
seek and you will find;***

knock and the door will be opened to you.

***For everyone who asks receives;
the one who seeks finds;
and to the one who knocks,
the door will be opened.”***

***Is there anyone among you who,
if your child asks for bread, will give a stone?
Or if the child asks for a fish, will give a snake?***

If you then, who are evil,

***know how to give good gifts to your children,
how much more will your Father in heaven
give good things to those who ask him!***

~ Matthew 7:7-11

PRACTICING PRAYER:

Asking for help is a vital part of every close relationship,
but it is only one of many parts.

Although we have this guide to share particular prayer
concerns, let us keep in mind that we approach God in
many different ways:

Worship - for who God is

Praise - for God's acts in creation & history

Thanksgiving - for what God has done for us

Confession - for our faults & failures

Petition - for our needs

Intercession - for others' needs

Commitment - for what we promise to do for God

Silence - for listening to God speak to us

Rest - for simply being in the Presence of God

PRAYERS FOR OUR FAITH COMMUNITY:

As weather turns colder, our attention turns to the structures that shelter us. We thank God for our church building, and pray for those who maintain & repair it, for its wise, respectful & generous use, and for blessings to all who enter it.

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We pray for the musicians and worship planners & leaders who are entering the intense time of preparing for Advent & Christmas worship, that God may inspire them to guide us to the manger in Bethlehem once again.

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With Eternity Sunday approaching at the end of November, we pray for families who are journeying with grief & loss.

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We pray for the individuals who are exploring baptism and church membership at this time.

PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD:

We pray for our sister congregation, Dire Gefersa Miserete Kristos Church in Adis Ababa, Ethiopia, as they work at planting new congregations.

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We pray for Christian communities and their neighbours in war-torn parts of the world, particularly in Gaza and Israel, in Ukraine, and in the village of Khampat, Burma/Myanmar, where on Nov. 3rd, a Mennonite congregation has been forced to flee because of bombardments.

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We pray for the migrant worker in our community who was injured in a hit-&-run collision last month; for his healing & restoration to strength, so that he may continue to work and support his family.

My Prayers throughout the month of November:

