



Lord,
Teach us to
Pray

LUKE 11:1



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**“Lord, Teach Us to Pray”
Luke 11:1**

- P** Let us pray.
Heavenly Father, Your words give us boldness and confidence to acknowledge You as our true Father and ourselves as Your true children. May Your Holy Spirit lead us to trust Your Fatherly goodness, call upon Your name in every need, and glorify You as the author and giver of every good gift, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C** **Amen.**

“Today Your Mercy Calls Us”

LSB 915, verses 1–2, 4

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| 1 | Today Your mercy calls us
To wash away our sin.
However great our trespass,
Whatever we have been,
However long from mercy
Our hearts have turned away,
Your precious blood can wash us And
make us clean today. | 2 | Today Your gate is open,
And all who enter in
Shall find a Father’s welcome
And pardon for their sin.
The past shall be forgotten,
A present joy be giv’n,
A future grace be promised,
A glorious crown in heav’n. |
| 4 | O all-embracing Mercy,
O ever-open Door,
What should we do without You
When heart and eye run o’er?
When all things seem against us,
To drive us to despair,
We know one gate is open,
One ear will hear our prayer. | | |

Read 1 Samuel 1:9–18

After they had eaten and drunk in Shiloh, Hannah rose. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the Lord. She was deeply distressed and prayed to the Lord and wept bitterly. And she vowed a vow and said, “O Lord of hosts, if you will indeed look on the affliction of your servant and remember me and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a son, then I will give him to the Lord all the days of his life, and no razor shall touch his head.”

As she continued praying before the Lord, Eli observed her mouth. Hannah was speaking in her heart; only her lips moved, and her voice was not heard. Therefore Eli took her to be a drunken woman. And Eli said to her, “How long will you go on being drunk? Put your wine away from you.”

But Hannah answered, “No, my lord, I am a woman troubled in spirit. I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the Lord. Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for all along I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation.”

Then Eli answered, “Go in peace, and the God of Israel grant your petition that you have made to him.”

And she said, “Let your servant find favor in your eyes.” Then the woman went her way and ate, and her face was no longer sad.

P Let us join together to pray from Psalm 25.

C **To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame... Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long. Remember your mercy, O Lord, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.**

Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O Lord! Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in the way. He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way. All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

For your name’s sake, O Lord, pardon my guilt, for it is great... Turn to me and be gracious to me, for I am lonely and afflicted. The troubles of my heart are enlarged; bring me out of my distresses. Consider my affliction and my trouble, and forgive all my sins... Oh, guard my soul, and deliver me!

(Psalm 25:1–11, 16–18, 20a).

**Glory be 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.**

“Create in Me”

LSB 956

1 Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence;
and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation;
and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Read 2 Samuel 7:18–29

Then King David went in and sat before the Lord and said, “Who am I, O Lord God, and what is my house, that you have brought me thus far? And yet this was a small thing in your eyes, O Lord God. You have spoken also of your servant’s house for a great while to come, and this is instruction for mankind, O Lord God! And what more can David say to you?”

For you know your servant, O Lord God! Because of your promise, and according to your own heart, you have brought about all this greatness, to make your servant know it. Therefore you are great, O Lord God. For there is none like you, and there is no God besides you, according to all that we have heard with our ears. And who is like your people Israel, the one nation on earth whom God went to redeem to be his people, making himself a name and doing for them great and awesome things by driving out before your people, whom you redeemed for yourself from Egypt, a nation and its gods? And you established for yourself your people Israel to be your people forever. And you, O Lord, became their God.

And now, O Lord God, confirm forever the word that you have spoken concerning your servant and concerning his house, and do as you have spoken. And your name will be magnified forever, saying, ‘The Lord of hosts is God over Israel,’ and the house of your servant David will be established before you. For you, O Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, have made this revelation to your servant, saying, ‘I will build you a house.’ Therefore your servant has found courage to pray this prayer to you. And now, O Lord God, you are God, and your words are true, and you have promised this good thing to your servant. Now therefore may it please you to bless the house of your servant, so that it may continue forever before you. For you, O Lord God, have spoken, and with your blessing shall the house of your servant be blessed forever.”

P Hear my prayer, O Lord;
C **let my cry come to You.**

P In the day of my trouble I call upon You,
C **for You answer me.**

P Hide Your face from my sins,
C **and blot out all my iniquities.**

P Create in me a clean heart, O God,
C **and renew a right spirit within me.**

P Cast me not away from Your presence,
C **and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.**

P Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,
C **and uphold me with a willing spirit.**

P Because Your steadfast love is better than life,
C **my lips will praise You.**

P For You have been my help,
C **and in the shadow of Your wings I will sing for joy.**

P Teach me Your way, O Lord, that I may walk in Your truth;
C **unite my heart to fear Your name.**

P I give thanks to You, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,
C **and I will glorify Your name forever.**

P May all who seek You rejoice and be glad in You.
C **May those who love Your salvation say evermore,**
“God is great!”

P Save Your people and bless Your heritage!
C **Be their shepherd and carry them forever.**

P Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer;
C **listen to my plea for grace.**

“Now Thank We All Our God”

LSB 895

1 Now thank we all our God
With hearts and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things has done,
In whom His world rejoices;
Who from our mothers’ arms
Has blest us on our way
With countless gifts of love
And still is ours today.

2 Oh, may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us
And keep us in His grace
And guide us when perplexed
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next!

△ 3 All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and Him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,

The one eternal God,
Whom earth and heav'n adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

Read Colossians 3:16

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

“We See Our Lord”

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1 We see our Lord, hands clasped in prayers. 2 Christ offered prayer while it was still.
God's will is clear, so He prepares He spoke in earnest on the hill;
To carry sin which He now bears: Was fervent, with exquisite skill
The mercy which He shares. And did the Father's will.

3 The Savior gave His life for all,
Since by our sin we each did fall;
His grace becomes our protocol;
So on His name we call.

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Read Jonah 2:1–9

Then Jonah prayed to the Lord his God from the belly of the fish, saying, “I called out to the Lord, out of my distress, and he answered me; out of the belly of Sheol I cried, and you heard my voice. For you cast me into the deep, into the heart of the seas, and the flood surrounded me; all your waves and your billows passed over me.

Then I said, ‘I am driven away from your sight; yet I shall again look upon your holy temple.’ The waters closed in over me to take my life; the deep surrounded me; weeds were wrapped about my head at the roots of the mountains. I went down to the land whose bars closed upon me forever; yet you brought up my life from the pit, O Lord my God. When my life was fainting away, I remembered the Lord, and my prayer came to you, into your holy temple.

Those who pay regard to vain idols forsake their hope of steadfast love. But I with the voice of thanksgiving will sacrifice to you; what I have vowed I will pay. Salvation belongs to the Lord!”

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

LSB 770

1 What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear!

What a privilege to carry
Ev'rything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit;
Oh, what needless pain we bear—
All because we do not carry
Ev'rything to God in prayer!

Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged—
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful
Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness—
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

2 Have we trials and temptations?

3 Are we weak and heavy laden,
Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge—
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In His arms He'll take and shield thee;
Thou wilt find a solace there.

Read Matthew 6:5–18

“When you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

“And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

Pray then like this:

“Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

“And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.”

“Savior, Thy Dying Love”

LW 374, verses 1–2

1	Savior Thy dying love Thou gavest me; Nor should I aught withhold, Dear Lord, from Thee. In love my soul would bow, My heart fulfill its vow, Some off’ring bring Thee now, Something for Thee.	2	O'er the blest mercy seat, Pleading for me, My feeble faith looks up, Jesus, to Thee. Help me the cross to bear, Thy wondrous love declare, Some song to raise, or prayer, Something for Thee.
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Read Philippians 4:4–8

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

LSB 649, verses 1–2

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| 1 | Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above. | 2 | Before our Father’s throne
We pour our ardent prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
Our comforts and our cares. |
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Read James 5:13–18

Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.

Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit.

- P** O Lord,
- C** **have mercy.**
- P** O Christ,
- C** **have mercy.**
- P** O Lord,
- C** **have mercy.**



LORD’S PRAYER

- C** **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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

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

BLESSING

LSB 287

- P** The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.
- C** Amen.

“Christians While on Earth Abiding”

LW 434

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| 1 | Christians, while on earth abiding,
Let us never cease to pray,
Firmly in the Lord confiding
As our parents in their day.
Be the children's voices raised
To the God their parents praised.
May his blessing, failing never,
Rest upon his people ever. | 2 | Bless us, Father, and protect us
From all harm in all our ways;
Patiently, O Lord, direct us
Safely through these fleeting days.
Let your face upon us shine,
Fill us with your peace divine.
Praise the Father, Son, and Spirit! Praise
Him, all who life inherit! |
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**“Lord, I can’t say it in words ...
Can you please just listen to my heart?”**

O Lord, in distress they sought you;
they poured out a whispered prayer
when your discipline was upon them. (*Isaiah 26:16*).

**Proclaim God's Word,
Encourage one another in faith,
Witness to God's love and
Serve all people**



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