

7/24/24 Morning Prayer (Ordinary Time)

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Preparation

The Lord is here... **His Spirit is with us.**

Lord God, forgive me for willingly rebelling against your commands of life. My sin has turned light to dark and twisted what is good; all feels lost, and I am in deeper than I know. But I thank you that even in my sin and shame, you continue to call my name. **Amen.** *(Belgic Confession, Article #14)*

Confession

Let us take a few moments in silence to confess our sins.

[Silence may be kept]

Gracious God you indwell the brokenness and shabbiness of human life, lift us we pray from the lowliness of life lived under the dominance of selfish passion and greed. Shine into us your love and joy and peace, that we may reflect your glory to a world that does not see you.

Today, O Lord:

Let us put right before self-interest,

Let us put others before ourselves,

Let us put the things of the Spirit before the things of the body,

Let us put the attainment of good before the enjoyment of pleasure,

Let us put righteousness before status and acceptance,

And, let us put you before all else.

By your mercy, give us a heart fixed on you, that we may live lives that do not obscure your glory, but rather reflect the perfection of your Son, for His name's sake. **Amen.**

[Silence may be kept]

Assurance

Hear the gracious assurance of forgiveness in Christ promised in Ephesians 1:7 –

In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins,

in accordance with the riches of God's grace.

Amen.

Scripture Readings

Psalm: Ps 31:1-8

[Open praise/thanksgiving]

NT: Heb 8:7-13 (Sermon)

[Open praise/thanksgiving]

Gospel: Matt 5:38-48

[Open praise/thanksgiving]

Response

**Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and shall be forever. Amen.**

Intercession

By prayer and intercession with thanksgiving, let us make our requests to God, our father.

We pray for peace, justice and reconciliation throughout the world. We pray for the honoring of human rights, and for the relief of the oppressed.

Open Doors country of persecution: Uzbekistan (25)

[Open prayer]

We pray for our neighborhood and Cupertino, and for all people and families in their daily life and work. We especially pray for our Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist and Hindu neighbors.

Local Organization: Abrahamic Alliance

[Open prayer]

We pray for the renewal of the universal church in faith, love and service. We pray for our church leaders and for the life of PBCC.

PBCC Missionary: Dave and Connie Deal (Olympics)

[Open prayer]

We pray for those who are in need; for the sick, sorrowful, imprisoned and bereaved. We pray for all who bring comfort, care and healing.

[Open prayer]

Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray to your mercy and protection.

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be your name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done,
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today 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 the evil one,
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
Now and forever.
Amen.**