

9/27/23 Morning Prayer

Preparation

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

Lord we implore you, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the evil one, and with pure heart and mind, follow you the only living God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Collect for the Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Confession

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

[Silence may be kept]

Lord our God, we confess our sins to you and seek your forgiveness, and we pray that your light will shine forth within us as we are restored to newness of life. Let us live in the joy and power of your Holy Spirit every hour of every day:

**Keep us pure in thought,
Keep us loving and truthful in speech,
Keep us faithful and diligent in our daily work,
Keep us humble in our estimation of ourselves,
Keep us honorable & generous in our dealings w/ others,
Keep us loyal to your word and eager to obey it,
Keep us mindful of our eternal destiny as your children.**

O God you are our refuge and strength, be with us in every circumstance and need. Guide us through the places of darkness and doubt. Guard the welfare of our souls and be our strength in times of testing.

Amen.

[Silence may be kept]

Absolution

And the promise of forgiveness from Isaiah 55:7 –

**Let the wicked forsake their ways
and the unrighteous their thoughts.
Let them turn to the LORD,
and he will have mercy on them,
and to our God, for he will freely pardon.
Amen.**

Scripture Readings

Psalms: Ps 145:1-14

[Open praise and thanksgiving]

NT: Eph 2:1-10

[Open praise and

thanksgiving]

Gospel: Luke 15:11-32

[Open praise and 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

As the priesthood of believers, by prayer & intercession with thanksgiving, let us make our requests to God, our father.

Specific country to lift up in prayer: Bangladesh (30)

We pray for peace, justice and reconciliation throughout the world. We pray that the leaders of the nations rule with justice and mercy, and that justice be the shield and defender of all people.

[Open prayer]

We pray for our country, our neighborhoods and Cupertino, and for all people in their daily life and work. We especially pray for our Muslim, Buddhist, Jewish, Hindu and *none* neighbors.

[Open prayer]

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

[Open prayer]

We pray for those who are in need; the young and the elderly, the sick and the sorrowful, the lonely and the imprisoned, the unemployed and the bereaved. We also 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.**