







# IN CHRIST

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PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
DAILY PRAYER GUIDE

EASTER





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## **PCPC PRAYER GUIDE INTRODUCTION**

This guide has a simple aim: to help us grow in our love for God through time in His Word and prayer. The Bible teaches that in order to love God, we need a relationship with Him. Though we had caused alienation from God by our sin, God Himself has nevertheless provided for that relationship in His overcoming the alienation through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, who is God the Son. In union with Christ, we now have intimate access to God as our heavenly Father. Scripture and prayer are the means through which we experience, apply, and enjoy that relationship. As we learn to pray, and as we learn to listen and obey the gracious overtures of God's Word, we learn to live as God's children, loving and trusting Him more fully.

### **WHY DAILY PRAYER?**

Why set aside fixed times every day for prayer? Why not simply pray unprompted, when the stirring comes? Practically speaking, we are creatures attuned to rhythms. We order our lives by sunrises and sunsets, by hours, weeks, seasons, and years. Daily prayer is a way of consecrating our ordinary rhythms to God, ensuring that all of life is offered to Him. C. S. Lewis once wrote, "Relying on God has to begin all over again every day as if nothing had yet been done." And so it must. Our relationship with God should take hold of our schedules, as well as our hearts.

### **WHY A PRAYER GUIDE?**

Here are a few compelling reasons to use a prayer guide:

#### **1. It helps us to pray regularly.**

Sometimes we may not pray regularly because we may not know where to begin. A prayer guide takes the pressure off needing to make that decision anew every day. It repeatedly says, "Start here" and let God's Word lead you into prayer.

#### **2. It helps us to pray biblically.**

The majority of the reading is from Scripture. We will read through the Psalms, a book of the Bible meant especially for prayer and worship.

One of the encouraging messages reiterated in the Psalms is that you do not have to put on a happy face to live the Christian life. Praying biblically allows us to pray the truth of who we are while growing in the hope of who we might yet become.

### **3. It helps us to pray communally.**

Though we are praying individually, we are doing so together, specifically as a church body. This book is meant for this flock, in this time and place. To know that others with whom God has joined us are reading and praying the same words encourages us in our common journey. Prayer is a communal activity as much as an individual one.

## **HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE**

Use this guide however may be helpful to you. For many, that means using it just as it is. For those who are in the habit of family worship, you can adapt the guide to read and pray together as a family.

Here are suggestions for each of the elements:

### **The Call to Prayer**

The Call to Prayer is God's invitation for you to pray to Him as a beloved child speaking to a perfectly good and loving Father.

### **The Prayers of Praise and Thanksgiving**

The Prayers of Praise and Thanksgiving are a space to celebrate the wonderful loving-goodness of God as revealed in His word and in your own life.

### **Scripture Readings**

The daily scripture readings turn our attention to God through His living Word. This prayer guide has a Psalm and a selected reading from Ephesians appointed for each day that can be found in the Daily Scripture Readings appendix on page 22.



## **Reflection**

The time for reflection is intended to create space for you to listen to God through the scripture readings and ask for His help to joyfully obey.

## **Prayer of Confession**

The Prayer of Confession is a time to tell God your failures, being as specific as possible, to live according to His loving-goodness and to receive the underserved healing-kindness of God that we need for renewal.

## **The Lord's Prayer**

Jesus taught His disciples to pray in this way so we too follow His lead by praying the Lord's Prayer.

## **Prayer of Supplication**

The Prayer of Supplication is a place to ask God to accomplish His redemptive purposes in the specific circumstances and relationships that are on your heart and mind, even as we pray for the Church and the needs we see in the world beyond our personal involvement.

## **Weekly Collect**

The Weekly Collect is a way of joining the Church in the local congregation and around the world by praying the same prayer on the same day. All of the closing prayers draw from The Book of Common Prayer and remind us that we are united in Christ as we gather together—"collect"—our prayers and present them before our one God: the Father, Jesus Christ His Son, and the Holy Spirit.

## **Sundays**

Sundays are a unique day set apart to gather and worship as a church family, to celebrate once again the victory of Christ over sin and death. There is not a dedicated section for Sundays in the prayer guide because the liturgy of common worship is our focus on this day.

## A NOTE FOR FAMILIES

This prayer guide can be a great tool for times of family worship. We suggest letting any of those who are able take turns reading each element. This ensures that everyone is involved in both hearing and speaking the Word of God with one another. During the Prayers of Praise and Thanksgiving, you may each say something aloud, no matter how short or clumsy (we are all learners!). During the Prayer of Confession, take a minute to pray to God personally in the quiet of your own thoughts. This is just one way to use the guide as a family. We encourage you to explore how it might best help your own worship and devotion in your life together.

As a final word, there are many great reading plans, devotionals, and exercises to encourage in us a life of prayer. This is a way to pray, only one among many that has grown up in the history of God's people. Most important is not the method, but the reality of loving and trusting God. May your relationship with Him grow.



## WHAT IS THE GOSPEL?

The God who created the world wonderfully good made us to be in loving relationship with Him as caretakers of His creation, reflecting His goodness, beauty, and truth into the world. Though created exceptionally good, we became fatally flawed, and the default setting of human nature is now notoriously and unavoidably self-centered and severed from God. Instead of living according to God's perfect loving-goodness, we are guilty of pride, betrayal, shame, violence, addiction, anxiety, injustice, and all kinds of evil that the Bible calls sin. However good our lives may be, we cannot fix our deepest problem in our own strength, and even life at its best ends in death, justly deserving eternal separation from God.

The Gospel, literally meaning "good news," is that God the Father so loved the world that He entered into it in person through His Son Jesus to rescue us and everything He has made from the corruption of sin. Jesus was born of a virgin woman named Mary through the Holy Spirit, God's personal presence and power, in Roman-occupied Palestine in the early first century AD. He lived a perfect life, was executed on a cross for our sins, and rose bodily from the dead. Jesus's victory over sin and death proclaims that He is God and the ultimate authority and leader of the whole world. There is no other way to salvation except through Him. Even now, Jesus is in the realm of God's presence, power, and radiantly beautiful goodness—a reality invisibly alongside this visible realm that the Bible calls heaven—as the supreme world leader in charge over all things. When all of God's loving purposes for the world come to their appointed completion, Jesus will return to unite heaven and earth in the fullness of God's kingdom, right every wrong, and renew all things. Until

then, Jesus remains at work in the world to draw us to Himself. The Spirit enables us to give up trying to save ourselves, to turn away from our self-centeredness, and to entrust our whole lives to Jesus. This is what the Bible calls repentance and faith. By God's loving action: we are freely forgiven of every wrong; united with God in an intimate relationship of love as His sons and daughters; restored to the life we were created for to enjoy and celebrate God's remarkable truth, goodness, and beauty; called to joyfully participate in His redeeming work in the world; and assured with hope that we too will rise from the dead to a magnificent life forever with God.

**A clear way to make this commitment to Jesus is to speak honestly with God through a prayer in which you:**

- Tell God your failures, being as specific as possible, that separate you from His loving-goodness, and commit to giving up on this way of life.
- Thank God for loving and forgiving you through the death and resurrection of Jesus.
- Promise to trust and follow Jesus as your ultimate authority, guide, and leader for life.
- Ask the Holy Spirit to help you be faithful to Jesus over the course of your life.

**The following is an example of such a prayer:**

God, I give up trying to save myself. I have failed your perfect goodness in my thoughts, words, and actions. I am truly sorry. Thank you for forgiving me through the death of your Son, Jesus. I trust Him, gladly receive all that He accomplished on my behalf through His death and resurrection, and commit my whole life to His ultimate authority and leadership from now on. Please help me with your Holy Spirit so that I may live according to Your love, follow Jesus's leadership, and serve Your good and loving purposes in the world through Your family, the Church. Amen.

If you are entrusting your life to Jesus for the first time, tell a trusted Christian friend and servant of the Church. God is inviting you to step further into the life He intends for you by identifying with Jesus through Baptism and the Church.

If you are not yet ready to commit your life to Jesus, consider praying a prayer like the following:

O God, please reveal Yourself to me. Draw near to me as I seek You. Open my eyes to see your truth. Show me those things in my mind and heart that keep me from faith in You. Help me to know and trust Jesus Christ. And lead me to those people who can help me as I seek to know You.

(Prayer taken from *To Be a Christian: An Anglican Catechism*)

Keep praying, keep seeking, for there is a God of unfathomable love who is seeking after you.

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## WELCOME TO THE SEASON OF EASTER

Easter is traditionally the climax of all the Christian feasts, and it's easy to see why. Easter celebrates the final victory of God in Jesus Christ, through His bodily resurrection from the dead. Without Easter, as the Apostle Paul writes to the early church in Corinth, everything we believe about Jesus and His Kingdom is meaningless. Without Easter, the life of Jesus is merely the story of another good man trying to change the world. Without Easter, the cross is the failure of Jesus' massive ambitions, and His foolish misread on the political powers of His day. Without Easter, the tomb is emblematic of the destiny that awaits us all, no matter what we do.

But Easter transforms all of that. With Easter, the life of Jesus is the story of the man who does in fact change the world. With Easter, the cross is the success of His work, the unstoppable pattern of God's love in a broken world, and the ransom of our lives from the horror of sin. With Easter, the tomb is a necessary confrontation with and triumph over the vanity and sadness of death. With Easter, the old order of things is overturned and the first day of the new creation dawns. Easter is the climactic Christian feast because in the resurrection of Christ, God has begun to fulfill His promise to make all things new: our suffering, our work, our time, our relationships, our culture, our bodies – the entire world!

How then should we celebrate such incredulous grace? In a very real sense, we celebrate Easter every Sunday by gathering together as Jesus' people for worship. Christians have always worshiped on Sundays because it's a celebration not merely of a new week but of a new world, and thus a foretaste of the eternal joy and rest we have in Jesus Christ.

But Easter Sunday and the season that follows can be a time for even more focused celebration. If we've observed Lent by fasting from something we normally enjoy, we might celebrate Easter by feasting on that thing as a good gift provided by the grace of God. If Lent has been a time of deep introspection and repentance, then we might turn our attention now to the joy of our new identity in Christ - that we are no longer the sum of our sin and shame, but forever the beloved children of God and coheirs with Christ.

Perhaps, however, we should look to the first Christians as models of how to celebrate the resurrection of Christ. What did the early followers of Jesus do when they were confronted with the truth of Easter? They joyfully shared that news with others. As Peter testifies in Acts, they could not "help speaking about what they had seen or heard." Easter is a good season to renew our commitment to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ personally with others. And it's a reminder that evangelism is no dull obligation. Rather, it is the explosion of joy found at the proclamation that the tomb is empty, and Jesus is alive!

How might you renew your own commitment to share the good news of Easter with others? Here are just a few things to consider during this season:

- Spend time revisiting your own personal story of rescue and consider writing it out. When did the joy of Easter sink into your own heart? What people did God use in your life? How were you persuaded of the truth and beauty of Christ? What circumstances were meaningful along the way?
- Make a list of people to pray for whom you want to respond to the Gospel. Commit to praying for them and asking God for opportunities to share with them.
- Write an account of how God has been at work in your life in the past six months. Ask God to make you sensitive and open to an opportunity to share your experience with a seeking friend. May this Easter season give you renewed joy in God's immense love for you.

# MONDAY

## Call to Prayer

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;  
for His steadfast love endures forever!  
Out of my distress I called on the LORD;  
the LORD answered me and set me free.  
The LORD is my strength and my song;  
He has become my salvation. (Psalm 118:1, 5, 14)

## Prayer of Adoration and Thanksgiving

I give You thanks, great God, for the hope I have in Jesus, who died but is risen and rules over all. I praise You for His presence with me. Because He lives, I look for eternal life, knowing that nothing past, present, or yet to come can separate me from Your great love made known in Jesus Christ, my Lord.

I praise You and give You thanks this day, especially for:

## Daily Scripture Reading

*See Daily Readings on page 22*

## Reflection

How shall you live in loving obedience to God's Word today? Pray for God's help.

## Prayer of Confession

Almighty Father, I confess that I have sinned against You in my thoughts, words, and actions especially:

I am truly sorry and humbly repent. Thank You for forgiving my sins through the death of Your Son, Jesus.



## **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 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.

## **Prayer of Supplication**

Pray for God, the glorious Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, to give you and this church spiritual wisdom and intelligence in knowing Him personally so that we can see our lives and the world clearly through the love of God and truly know the hope He has for us who trust in Him, the immense riches of being His children, and the unfathomable greatness of His power for us in Christ Jesus.

*—based on Ephesians 1:17-20*

## **Weekly Collect**

*See Weekly Collects on page 24*

# TUESDAY

## Call to Prayer

We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. For the death He died He died to sin, once for all, but the life He lives He lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus. (Romans 6:9-11)

## Prayer of Adoration and Thanksgiving

I give You thanks, great God, for the hope I have in Jesus, who died but is risen and rules over all. I praise You for His presence with me. Because He lives, I look for eternal life, knowing that nothing past, present, or yet to come can separate me from Your great love made known in Jesus Christ, my Lord.

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And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.

## **Prayer of Supplication**

Pray for God the Father, the Creator of everything in heaven and on earth, to strengthen you and this Church with a glorious inner strength by His Spirit so that Christ may dwell in our hearts through confidence in Him, that we would be rooted and grounded in love and truly know with all of the family of God how wide, how long, how high, and how deep His love is—to know the love of Christ that transcends all natural knowledge and live full lives in the fullness of God.

*—based on Ephesians 3:14-19*

## **Weekly Collect**

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# WEDNESDAY

## Call to Prayer

"Death is swallowed up in victory."

"O death, where is your victory?

O death, where is your sting?"

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Corinthians 15:55-57)

## Prayer of Adoration and Thanksgiving

I give You thanks, great God, for the hope I have in Jesus, who died but is risen and rules over all. I praise You for His presence with me. Because He lives, I look for eternal life, knowing that nothing past, present, or yet to come can separate me from Your great love made known in Jesus Christ, my Lord.

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## **Prayer of Supplication**

Pray for God to help you and this church to live worthy of those He has called to Himself, always humble and gentle, patient with one another's faults in love, and making every effort to maintain the unity we have in the Spirit, bound together with peace.

*—based on Ephesians 4:1-3*

## **Weekly Collect**

*See Weekly Collects on page 24*

# THURSDAY

## Call to Prayer

For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross. (Colossians 1:19-20)

## Prayer of Adoration and Thanksgiving

I give You thanks, great God, for the hope I have in Jesus, who died but is risen and rules over all. I praise You for His presence with me. Because He lives, I look for eternal life, knowing that nothing past, present, or yet to come can separate me from Your great love made known in Jesus Christ, my Lord.

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## **Prayer of Supplication**

Pray for God to build this church up in love, united in faith and the knowledge of Jesus, through His gifted servants so that we may grow up fully alive like Christ, knowing and speaking the truth in love, and growing in every way more and more like Christ, our Leader, who nourishes us toward wholeness in God, robust in love.

*—based on Ephesians 4:12-16*

## **Weekly Collect**

*See Weekly Collects on page 24*

# FRIDAY

## Call to Prayer

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. (1 Peter 1:3-5)

## Prayer of Adoration and Thanksgiving

I give You thanks, great God, for the hope I have in Jesus, who died but is risen and rules over all. I praise You for His presence with me. Because He lives, I look for eternal life, knowing that nothing past, present, or yet to come can separate me from Your great love made known in Jesus Christ, my Lord.

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## **Prayer of Supplication**

Pray for God to give you and this church the Spirit to imitate Jesus in everything we do as dearly loved children of the Father, with lives full of love, following Christ's sacrificial example. May we have nothing to do with evil but participate in what is good, right, and true—discerning what pleases God—and live thoughtfully with gratitude and gladness always and in everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

*—based on Ephesians 5:1-20*

## **Weekly Collect**

*See Weekly Collects on page 24*

# SATURDAY

## Call to Prayer

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain,  
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might  
and honor and glory and blessing! (Revelation 5:12)

## Prayer of Adoration and Thanksgiving

I give You thanks, great God, for the hope I have in Jesus, who died but is risen and rules over all. I praise You for His presence with me. Because He lives, I look for eternal life, knowing that nothing past, present, or yet to come can separate me from Your great love made known in Jesus Christ, my Lord.

I praise You and give You thanks this day, especially for:

## Daily Scripture Reading

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## Reflection

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## **Prayer of Supplication**

Pray for this church to be strong in God and His mighty power, standing up against the forces of evil with the weapons of the Spirit: truth, righteousness, peace, the good news of Jesus's resurrection, faith, salvation, the Word of God, and prayer.

*—based on Ephesians 6:10-18*

## **Weekly Collect**

*See Weekly Collects on page 24*

# DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday . . . . . Psalm 1, Ephesians 1:1-2  
Tuesday . . . . . Psalm 2, Ephesians 1:3-4  
Wednesday . . . . . Psalm 3, Ephesians 1:5-6  
Thursday . . . . . Psalm 4, Ephesians 1:7-10  
Friday . . . . . Psalm 5, Ephesians 1:11-14  
Saturday . . . . . Psalm 6, Ephesians 1:15-21

Monday . . . . . Psalm 7, Ephesians 1:22-23  
Tuesday . . . . . Psalm 8, Ephesians 2:1-3  
Wednesday . . . . . Psalm 9, Ephesians 2:4-7  
Thursday . . . . . Psalm 10, Ephesians 2:8-10  
Friday . . . . . Psalm 11, Ephesians 2:11-13  
Saturday . . . . . Psalm 12, Ephesians 2:14-17

Monday . . . . . Psalm 13, Ephesians 2:18-22  
Tuesday . . . . . Psalm 14, Ephesians 3:1-6  
Wednesday . . . . . Psalm 15, Ephesians 3:7-9  
Thursday . . . . . Psalm 16, Ephesians 3:10-13  
Friday . . . . . Psalm 17, Ephesians 3:14-19  
Saturday . . . . . Psalm 18, Ephesians 3:20-21

Monday . . . . . Psalm 19, Ephesians 4:1-3  
Tuesday . . . . . Psalm 20, Ephesians 4:4-7  
Wednesday . . . . . Psalm 21, Ephesians 4:8-14  
Thursday . . . . . Psalm 22, Ephesians 4:15-16  
Friday . . . . . Psalm 23, Ephesians 4:17-20  
Saturday . . . . . Psalm 24, Ephesians 4:21-24

Monday . . . . . Psalm 25, Ephesians 4:25-28  
Tuesday . . . . . Psalm 26, Ephesians 4:29-32  
Wednesday . . . . . Psalm 27, Ephesians 5:1-2  
Thursday . . . . . Psalm 28, Ephesians 5:3-6  
Friday . . . . . Psalm 29, Ephesians 5:7-10  
Saturday . . . . . Psalm 30, Ephesians 5:11-14

Monday . . . . . Psalm 31, Ephesians 5:15-18  
Tuesday . . . . . Psalm 32, Ephesians 5:19-21  
Wednesday . . . . . Psalm 33, Ephesians 5:22-24  
Thursday . . . . . Psalm 34, Ephesians 5:25-28  
Friday . . . . . Psalm 35, Ephesians 5:29-33  
Saturday . . . . . Psalm 36, Ephesians 6:1-4

Monday . . . . . Psalm 37, Ephesians 6:5-9  
Tuesday . . . . . Psalm 38, Ephesians 6:10-12  
Wednesday . . . . . Psalm 39, Ephesians 6:13-17  
Thursday . . . . . Psalm 40, Ephesians 6:18-20  
Friday . . . . . Psalm 41, Ephesians 6:21-22  
Saturday . . . . . Psalm 42, Ephesians 6:23-24

# WEEKLY COLLECTS

## **Easter Day**

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## **Monday in Easter Week**

Grant, we pray, Almighty God, that we who celebrate with awe the Paschal feast may be found worthy to attain to everlasting joys; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## **Tuesday in Easter Week**

O God, who by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light: Grant that we, who have been raised with him, may abide in his presence and rejoice in the hope of eternal glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be dominion and praise for ever and ever. Amen.

## **Wednesday in Easter Week**

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### **Thursday in Easter Week**

Almighty and everlasting God, who in our Lord's resurrection established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### **Friday in Easter Week**

Almighty Father, who gave your only Son to die for our sins and to rise for our justification: Give us grace so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### **Saturday in Easter Week**

We thank you, heavenly Father, that you have delivered us from the dominion of sin and death and brought us into the kingdom of your Son; and we pray that, as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his love he may raise us to eternal joys; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## **Second Sunday of Easter**

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **Third Sunday of Easter**

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## **Fourth Sunday of Easter**

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people; Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **Fifth Sunday of Easter**

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



## **Sixth Sunday of Easter**

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **Ascension Day**

Almighty God, whose blessed Son our Savior Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things: Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to his promise, he abides with his Church on earth, even to the end of the ages; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

## **Seventh Sunday of Easter**

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

## **Pentecost Sunday**

Almighty God, you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.





