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## Daíly Prayers and Readings

June and July 2021

Summer suns are glowing Over land and sea; Happy light is flowing Bountiful and free Everything rejoices In the mellow rays All earth's thousand voices Swell the psalm of praise (William Walsham How, 1871) Page 2

#### Dear friends,

It's with great joy I write this, knowing that we can now be back together in the Porch Chapel for prayers. It feels like it has been a long time coming and so much has happened in between.

We have worked our way through a pandemic and are coming out the other side. We give thanks that so many of us are still here, and offer prayers for those who have passed on. We also give our thanks to God for those who have been endowed with scientific gifts, to create vaccines, in order that we may, little by little, head back into life as we knew it

It may take some time to get back into the routine of this regular worship slot but one thing is for certain – whenever the church has been open, our chapel has been visited by a variety of folk who write down their prayers and concerns, safe in the assurance that they will be prayed for. This witness has gone on for over 40 years and we pray that it continues.

### Every blessing to all, JD

The weekly readings are taken from the Common Lectionary and reflect those used on the immediate Sunday in our own church and very many others. In normal times we use them on a daily basis in our chapel at 10am. They can be used equally for private devotions. In the chapel the prayers of Intercession include those requested by members of the public and our own congregation. We pray too for our sister church in Fenstanton, for the local

## *June 2021*

L. O God, you have graciously brought us to this hour, the time when you poured out your Holy Spirit in tongues of fire upon your apostles, filling them with the gift of your grace;
All. so, most wonderful Lord, may we too receive this blessing; and as we seek to praise you, merciful God, in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, may we share in your eternal kingdom. For your name is worthy of all honour and majesty and you are to be glorified in

hymns of blessing. Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and forever, to the ages of ages. Amen (Eastern Orthodox Church)

Let us keep silent for our personal reflection and confession.

- *L. For the dullness of our vision,*
- R. Father forgive.
- *L. For the weakness of our faith.*
- R. Jesus forgíve.
- *L. For the joylessness of our living,*
- R. Spirit forgive.
- All. Holy Three have mercy upon us,

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## THE READING

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

To the words 'Merciful Father' please respond with 'Hear us in your steadfast love'.

THE LORDS PRAYER 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 this day 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever Amen

- *L.* God of hidden treasures, open our eyes to all that you have given us;.
- R. unlock our delight in the gift of your kingdom;
   Stir up our hearts to be generous with our giving,

and inspire us to invest in the riches of heaven.

All. Open our minds to be surprised by your love, coming when we least expect it,

L. Open our lives to make love feel at home in us. and in the strength of that love, through the power of your Spirit, make us always ready for the joy of serving you.

(Sue McCoan URC Prayer Handbook 2010)

All. Now to him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us without blemish before the presence of his glory with rejoicing, to the only God, our Saviour through Jesus Christ our Lord, by glory, dominion, majesty and authority, before all time, now and forever.

(a blessing of St Jude)

THE GRACE

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all ever more. Amen



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## July 2021

- L. May you walk with God this summer, in whatever you do wherever you go.
- R. Walking with God means walking with honesty and with courage, walking with love and respect and concern for the feelings of others.
- *L.* May you talk with God this summer, and every day and in every situation.
- All. Talking with God means praying words of praise for the beauty of creation, saying prayers of thanks for friends and good times, asking God's help in all your decisions, expressing sorrow when you have failed.

May you talk with God every day. Amen

Let us keep silent for our personal reflection and confession.

All. Lord, I am so sorry. I lay before you my regret, my guilt and my heartache. I ask for your forgiveness, and trust in your

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All. O Lord, our God How excellent is Thy name in all the earth; who has set Thy glory upon the heavens. When I consider Thy heavens, the work of Thy fingers. The moon and the stars which Thou hast ordained; What is man, that Thou art mindful of him?

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All. Almighty God, give us wisdom to perceive you, intelligence to understand you, diligence to seek you, patience to wait for you, vision to behold you, a heart to meditate upon you, a life to proclaim you; through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen

All. Lord, be with us to guide us, within us to strengthen us, without us to protect us, above us the raise us, beneath us to uphold us, before us to lead us, behind us to guard us, ever about us, this day and evermore; this day and evermore. Amen (The Rhythm of Life, David Adam, 1996)

## THE GRACE

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## When this is all over

When this is all over. May we never again take for granted A handshake with a stranger Full shelves at the store Conversations with neighbours A crowded cínema Fríday níght out The taste of communion A routine check-up Coffee with a friend Each deep breath A boring Tuesday Lífe ítself. When this ends may we find that we have become more like the people we wanted to be. we were called to be. we hoped to be and may we stay that way - better for each other.

Laura Kelly Fanucci

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## **Readings for June** Special dates for the month of June

*Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> -* Scottish Episcopal Church General Synod (10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) *Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> -* Methodist Conference begins (ends July 1<sup>st</sup>)

Tues 1 <sup>st</sup>	1 Samuel 8 v 4-20
Weds 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Psalm 131
Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup>	2 Corinthians 4 v 13 - 51
$\mathcal{F}ri$ $4^{th}$	Psalm 143
Sat $5^{th}$	Mark 3 v20-35
$\mathcal{M}on$ 7 <sup>th</sup>	Psalm 20
Tues 8 <sup>th</sup>	1 Samuel 15 v34- 16 v -13
Weds 9 <sup>th</sup>	Psalm 38
Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup>	2 Corínthíans 5 v 6-10, 14-17
Frí 11 <sup>th</sup>	Psalm 42
Sat 12 <sup>th</sup>	Mark 4 v26-34
${\cal M}on$ 14 $^{th}$	Psalm 41
Tues 15 <sup>th</sup>	1 Samuel 17 v32-49
Weds 16 <sup>th</sup>	Psalm 51
Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup>	2 Corínthíans 6 v1-13
Frí 18 <sup>th</sup>	Psalm 79
Sat 19 <sup>th</sup>	Mark 4 v35-41
Mon $21^{st}$	Psalm 130
Tues $22^{nd}$	2 Samuel 1 v1, 17-27
Weds 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Psalm 53
Thurs $24^{th}$	2 Corínthíans 8 v7-24
$\mathcal{F}ri$ 25 <sup>th</sup>	Psalm 81
Sat 26 <sup>th</sup>	Mark 5 v21-43
$\mathcal{M}on$ 2 $8^{th}$	Psalm 48
Tues 29 <sup>th</sup>	2 Samuel 5 v1-5. 9-10

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## **Readings for July** Special dates for the month of July

**Frí 9<sup>th</sup> -** URC General Assembly (9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>) **Frí 9<sup>th</sup> -**Church of England General Synod (9<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup>)

Thurs 1 <sup>st</sup>	2 Corinthians 12 v2-10
Frí 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Psalm 57
Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mark 6 v1-13
$\mathcal{M}on \; 5^{th}$	Psalm 24
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup>	2 Samuel 6 v1-5, 12b-19
Weds $7^{th}$	Psalm 66
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup>	Ephesians 1 v3-14
$\mathcal{F}$ rí 9 $^{th}$	Psalm 35
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup>	Mark 6 v14-29
$\mathcal{M}on \ 12^{th}$	Psalm 89 v20-37
Tues 13 <sup>th</sup>	2 Samuel 7 v1-14a
Weds 14 <sup>th</sup>	Psalm 73
Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup>	Ephesíans 2 v11-22
Frí 16 <sup>th</sup>	Psalm 67
Sat 17 <sup>th</sup>	Mark 6 v30-34, 53-56
$\mathcal{M}on \ 19^{th}$	Psalm 126
Tues $20^{th}$	Acts 11 v27- 12 v2
Weds 21 <sup>st</sup>	Psalm 94
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup>	2 Corinthians 4 v7-15
Frí 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Psalm 59
Sat 24 <sup>th</sup>	John 6 v1-21
$\mathcal{M}on \ 26^{th}$	Psalm 51 v1-13
Tues 27 <sup>th</sup>	2 Samuel 11 v26- 12 v13a
Weds 28 <sup>th</sup>	Psalm 58
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