

+Week Two + Sunday Evening

O God, come to our assistance.

O Lord, hasten to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was before,
is now,
and ever more.

Psalm 119:y

I've done what is just and right.
Don't just hand me over to my oppressors.
Guarantee good things for your servant.
Please don't let the arrogant oppress me.
My eyes are worn out looking for your saving help—
looking for your word that will set things right.
Act toward your servant according to your faithful love.
Teach me your statutes!
I'm your servant!
Help me understand so I can know your laws.
It is time for the Lord to do something!
Your Instruction has been broken.
But I love your commandments
more than gold, even more than pure gold.
That's why I walk straight by every single one of your
precepts.
That's why I hate every false path.

Psalm 146

Praise the Lord!

Let my whole being[a] praise the Lord!
I will praise the Lord with all my life;

I will sing praises to my God as long as I live.

Don't trust leaders;

don't trust any human beings—
there's no saving help with them!

Their breath leaves them,
then they go back to the ground.

On that very same day, their plans die too.

The person whose help is the God of Jacob—
the person whose hope rests on the Lord their God

—

is truly happy!

God: the maker of heaven and earth,
the sea, and all that is in them,

God: who is faithful forever,
who gives justice to people who are oppressed,
who gives bread to people who are starving!

The Lord: who frees prisoners.

The Lord: who makes the blind see.

The Lord: who straightens up those who are bent
low.

The Lord: who loves the righteous.

The Lord: who protects immigrants,
who helps orphans and widows,

but who makes the way of the wicked twist and
turn!

The Lord will rule forever!

Zion, your God will rule from one generation to the
next!

Praise the Lord!

Psalm 136

Give thanks to the Lord because he is good.

—God's faithful love lasts forever!

Give thanks to the God of all gods

—God's faithful love lasts forever.

Give thanks to the Lord of all lords

—God’s faithful love lasts forever.
 Give thanks to the only one
 who makes great wonders
 —God’s faithful love lasts forever.
 Give thanks to the one who made the skies with skill
 —God’s faithful love lasts forever.
 Give thanks to the one who shaped the earth on the
 water
 —God’s faithful love lasts forever.
 Give thanks to the one who made the great lights
 —God’s faithful love lasts forever.
 The sun to rule the day
 —God’s faithful love lasts forever.
 The moon and the stars to rule the night
 —God’s faithful love lasts forever!
 Give thanks to the one who struck down the Egyptians’
 oldest offspring
 —God’s faithful love lasts forever.
 Give thanks to the one who brought Israel out of there
 —God’s faithful love lasts forever.
 With a strong hand and outstretched arm
 —God’s faithful love lasts forever!
 Give thanks to the one who split the Reed Sea in two
 —God’s faithful love lasts forever.
 Give thanks to the one who brought Israel through
 —God’s faithful love lasts forever.
 And tossed Pharaoh and his army into the Reed Sea
 —God’s faithful love lasts forever!
 Give thanks to the one who led his people through the
 desert
 —God’s faithful love lasts forever.
 Give thanks to the one who struck down great kings
 —God’s faithful love lasts forever.
 And killed powerful kings
 —God’s faithful love lasts forever.
 Sihon, the Amorite king

—God’s faithful love lasts forever.
 Og, king of Bashan
 —God’s faithful love lasts forever.
 Handing their land over as an inheritance
 —God’s faithful love lasts forever.
 As an inheritance to Israel, his servant
 —God’s faithful love lasts forever!
 God remembered us when we were humiliated
 —God’s faithful love lasts forever.
 God rescued us from our enemies
 —God’s faithful love lasts forever.
 God is the one who provides food for all living things
 —God’s faithful love lasts forever!
 Give thanks to the God of heaven
 —God’s faithful love lasts forever!

Psalm 112

Praise the Lord!

Those who honor the Lord,
 who adore God’s commandments, are truly happy!
 Their descendants will be strong throughout the land.
 The offspring of those who do right will be blessed;
 wealth and riches will be in their houses.
 Their righteousness stands forever.
 They shine in the dark for others who do right.
 They are merciful, compassionate, and righteous.
 Those who lend generously are good people—
 as are those who conduct their affairs with justice.
 Yes, these sorts of people will never be shaken;
 the righteous will be remembered forever!
 They won’t be frightened at bad news.
 Their hearts are steady, trusting in the Lord.
 Their hearts are firm; they aren’t afraid.
 In the end, they will witness their enemies’ defeat.
 They give freely to those in need.
 Their righteousness stands forever.

Their strength increases gloriously.
The wicked see all this and fume;
they grind their teeth, but disappear to nothing.
What the wicked want to see happen comes to
nothing!

Psalm 113

Praise the Lord!
You who serve the Lord—praise!
Praise the Lord's name!
Let the Lord's name be blessed
from now until forever from now!
From sunrise to sunset,
let the Lord's name be praised!
The Lord is high over all the nations;
God's glory is higher than the skies!
Who could possibly compare to the Lord our God?
God rules from on high;
he has to come down to even see heaven and
earth!
God lifts up the poor from the dirt
and raises up the needy from the garbage pile
to seat them with leaders—
with the leaders of his own people!
God nests the once barren woman at home—
now a joyful mother with children!
Praise the Lord!

Psalm 115

Not to us, Lord, not to us—
no, but to your own name give glory
because of your loyal love and faithfulness!
Why do the nations say,
"Where's their God now?"
Our God is in heaven—
he can do whatever he wants!

Their idols are just silver and gold—
things made by human hands.
They have mouths, but they can't speak.
They have eyes, but they can't see.
They have ears, but they can't hear.
They have noses, but they can't smell.
They have hands, but they can't feel.
They have feet, but they can't walk.
They can't even make a noise in their throats!
Let the people who made these idols
and all who trust in them
become just like them!
But you, Israel, trust in the Lord!
God is their help and shield.
Trust in the Lord, house of Aaron!
God is their help and shield.
You who honor the Lord, trust in the Lord!
God is their help and shield.
The Lord remembers us and will bless us:
God will bless the house of Israel;
God will bless the house of Aaron;
God will bless those who honor the Lord—
from the smallest to the greatest.
May the Lord add to your numbers—
both you and your children.
May you be blessed by the Lord,
the maker of heaven and earth!
The highest heaven belongs to the Lord,
but he gave the earth to all people.
The dead don't praise the Lord,
nor do those who go down to silence.
But us? We will bless the Lord
from now until forever from now!
Praise the Lord!

Scripture Reading Romans 6:3-5, 9-11 RNJB

“Do you not realize that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? So by baptism into his death we were buried with him, so that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father’s Glory, we too should live in newness of life...

Death no longer has dominion over him. For the death he died, he died to sin, and the life he lives, he lives to God. In the same way, you must reckon yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.”

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Let my prayer rise before you as incense,
The lifting of my hands as an evening sacrifice.

We lift our voices in prayers of praise, holy God, for you have lifted us to new life in Jesus Christ, and your blessings come in generous measure. Especially we thank you for

- the privilege of worship and service in this congregation...
- the good news of the gospel of Jesus Christ for us...
- food and drink to share in the Lord’s name...
- our calling to discipleship...

We hold up before you human needs, God of compassion, for you have come to us in Jesus Christ and shared our life so we may share his resurrection. Especially we pray for

- the healing of those who are sick...
- the comfort of those who are dying...
- the renewal of those who despair...
- the spirit’s power in the church...

(Include additional persons from the “church family” portion of our Friday prayer chain)

Our Father...

As you have made this day, O God,
you also make the night.
Give light for our comfort.
Come upon us with quietness and still our souls,
that we may listen for the whisper of your Spirit
and be attentive to your nearness in our dreams.
Empower us to rise again in new life
to proclaim your praise,
and show Christ to the world,
for he reigns forever and ever.

*May the Lord bless us,
grant us a peaceful night,
and a perfect rest.
Amen.*

References:

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