

MORNING AND EVENING PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 9

Monday: Morning Prayer

Dear God, we know that your love never fails. Help us to give our best by bearing, believing, hoping and enduring all things in your love, on this day and on the blessed gift of each new day. Amen

Monday: Evening Prayer

All this day, Lord, your hand has led us, and we thank you for your surrounding care. This day you have clothed us, you have fed us. We trust that you have heard the prayers of our mouths and hearts. We celebrate the joys and the blessings, and we ask that you help us keep the spirit of thanksgiving always at the forefront of our prayers and our daily living. We trust in your ever-present care for the hurts of mind, body and spirit and pray your continued presence, wholeness and hope for those on our minds and hearts this night. In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Tuesday: Morning Prayer

Guiding God be with us in our going out and coming home, in our journeying and returning, in our decision making and organizing. Guarding God be with us through the calm and through the storm, be our comfort when we're hurting, be our helper when we're falling. Gracious God walk with us every moment of this new day. Amen

Tuesday: Evening Prayer

Lord, it is night. The night is for stillness. Let us be still in your presence. It is night after a long day. What has been done has been done; what has not been done has not been done; let it be. The night is dark. Let our fears of the darkness of the world and of our own lives rest in you. The night is quiet. Let the quietness of your peace enfold us, all dear to us, and all who have no peace. The night heralds the dawn. Let us look expectantly to a new day, new joys, new possibilities. In your name we pray. Amen.

Wednesday: Morning Prayer

God of each new day, this is your world we step upon...the air we breathe, the food we eat. This is your world we step upon... the sounds we hear, the people we meet. This is your world we step upon... your footsteps where we place our feet. Guide us this and every waking morning. In the name of Christ. Amen.

Wednesday: Evening Prayer

Stay with us Lord, as this day turns to evening. Help us to know that you are with us, through the promise of your Word, in the sharing of a meal, by the power of your Spirit that burns within our hearts. Bless and keep us, this and every night. Amen.

Thursday: Morning Prayer

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy. O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen

Thursday: Evening Prayer

As we lie down each night in the shadow of your wings, God of our lives, we know that you will be with us even as you have helped us through the days. Whether we are weary from the day or whether the day has been a rich feast of blessings, we give thanks for your grace and love which are present in every circumstance. As we give ourselves over to rest and sleep, we remember that your steadfast love is better than life. So, we pray, surround us with your love this night and always. In the peace of Christ, we pray. Amen.

Friday: Morning Prayer

Dear God, each new day carries the potential for growth and new life. Help us to attend to those things in us that need care and attention. Sow your Word in us that we may grow in faithfulness and understanding. Shake us out of dull routines, so that we may take part in the Good News you continue to tell urgently and passionately. In Christ's name. Amen.

Friday: Evening Prayer

Lord, we are grateful that no matter what happens, you are our stability and strength. You give us hope when the world seems to close doors all around us. For the doors you have opened and will open tomorrow, thank you. Amen

Saturday: Morning Prayer

God of open doors, we pray that we will stay focused on you today. We pray that you will constantly remind us to be content in all of our circumstances. We pray that you will fill us up that we may be joyful all day, even if stress creeps in. Walk with us as we step into a new day! Amen.

Saturday: Evening Prayer

Thank you, God for the wonderful blessings we received this day. We might not have expected them, but once again you opened doors that others said we closed, locked and immovable. We close our eyes in rest knowing that with you, all things are indeed possible! Amen

Sunday: Morning Prayer

God of all good, in our waking and arising be the first thought that enters our heads; in our eating and drinking be the first thought that enters our heads; in our walking and journeying be the first thought that enters our heads; in our working and serving be the first thought that enters our heads; in our sowing and harvesting be the first thought that enters our heads; in my rejoicing and sorrowing be the first thought that enters our heads; in our resting and sleeping be the first thought that enters our heads. From our lips to your ears, in the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

Sunday: Evening Prayer

God, for the ways you have surprised us this day with your goodness, thank you. Help us to always remain hopeful, waking each new day with anticipation of your guidance from unexpected places and people. In the name of the One who gives us rest, we pray. Amen.