

# Summer Prayer Service

## Lighting of the Christ Candle (*One Voice*):

We light this candle to guide us through this time of prayer. It reminds us of the guide and companion that we have in Jesus Christ. May we follow this light as we offer praise to God this day. May we follow Christ through the trials and triumphs through all our days. AMEN

**Psalm**(see reverse) *Silent Reflection*

## Prayer of Confession (*Together or One Voice*):

**God of Love and Fellowship, often in the midst of trying to make the most of the moments to come, we forget to slow down and take notice of the moments we are in. We want tomorrow to be perfect, but making it so often costs us today. Forgive us when we miss the precious moments where you are reaching out to us. Forgive us when we ignore opportunities to engage with and help change this world because we don't feel ready. Encourage us. Enliven us. Call to us, and we will answer. We ask this and all things in the name of Christ our brother. AMEN**

## Assurance of God's Love (*One Voice*):

God's love for us is neither fickle nor fading. Like the sun, it is always there. Sometimes we can't see it. Sometimes we can't feel it. But sometimes it is because our back is turned. Let us turn and embrace God this day. AMEN

**Gospel**(see reverse) *Silent Reflection*

## Prayers of Thanksgiving & Concern (*One Voice*)

**Lord's Prayer** (*Together*)

## Prayer for Guidance (*Together or One Voice*):

**This light goes out, but you, O Christ, shine on the way before us. Guide us from this day into the next. Encourage us to share who we are and the gifts you have given us with the world around us. Inspire us to seek your presence in every moment. We ask this and all things in your name, O Christ, our companion and friend. AMEN**

## Blessing (*One Voice*):

Go from this time to share the love of God with those you meet. Carry the peace of Christ to places in need of healing and support. Let the winds of the Holy Spirit drive you to the places where God is already at work. AMEN

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<i>Date:</i>	<i>Psalm:</i>	<i>Scripture:</i>
July 8th, 2020	Psalm 119:105-112	Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23
July 15th, 2020	Psalm 86:11-17	Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43
July 22nd, 2020	Psalm 119:129-136	Romans 8:26-39
July 29th, 2020	Psalm 17:1-7, 15	Genesis 32:22-31
August 5th, 2020	Psalm 85:8-13	Matthew 14:22-33
August 12th, 2020	Psalm 67	Matthew 15:10-20, 21-28
August 19th, 2020	Psalm 138	Matthew 16:13-20
August 26th, 2020	Psalm 26:1-8	Matthew 16:21-28

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*This order is meant to be used as a guide during the weekly Summer Prayer Services. These services will be made available on each Wednesday at noon (from July 1st to August 26th) on Youtube.*

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCG2wvjhQzgAm-2Co5WvRkmA>

*This can also be used for personal prayer by oneself, or as a family. The only prayer that is not provided is the "Prayer of Thanksgiving & Concern", but is a good opportunity to practice praying together.*