



## Daily Pause for Prayer

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### The Gathering

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

### The Collect

Almighty God,  
whose only Son has opened for us  
a new and living way into your presence:  
give us pure hearts and steadfast wills  
to worship you in spirit and in truth;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel reading is Luke chapter 7, verses 36–end.

The text can be viewed via <http://bible.oremus.org/?ql=464234473> or you may prefer to look up the reading in a Bible at home if you have one available

### Prayer

We are invited to pray in silence, offering to God our own prayers or using this prayer

Loving God,  
I offer to you in the silence  
a world that is hurting  
and all the worries on my heart.  
Give wisdom to those in authority;  
protection to healthcare professionals and essential workers;  
comfort to those lonely or distressed;  
sustenance and support to those hungry or in need;  
healing to those unwell in body, mind, or spirit;  
and mercy to those dying.  
Wrap us all in your love;  
grant us your peace; and fill us with hope;  
that we may walk with you all our days  
and sing your praises forever;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.

### The Blessing

The peace of God,  
which passes all understanding,  
keep our hearts and minds  
in the knowledge and love of God,  
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among us and remain with us always. Amen.

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