

Faith Practice: PRAYER

Resources to engage the central faith practices of the Greater Milwaukee Synod

How does your congregation live out Prayer?



At the 2019 Assembly, our Greater Milwaukee Synod adopted a Vision, Mission, Core Values and Practices statement that named PRAYER as a central faith practice, and described it this way:

We ground all that we do in prayer, calling on God’s Spirit to bless, strengthen, and shape us for witness and service.

You are invited to use the resources below to lift up this faith practice.



KEY QUESTIONS

We invite you to choose a passage and a resource from the lists below, and lead a devotion and discussion time with your congregation's council, or other leadership group.

- + Share a story of a time when you felt like a prayer was answered.
- + How has prayer played a role in your faith life?
- + How do you address God when you pray?
- + What are some ways we can more deeply incorporate prayer into this congregation's life?
- + What are some resources we could offer to the members of this congregation to help them feel more equipped to grow in their prayer lives?

SCRIPTURES

to use in worship, adult forums, council devotions

Psalm 121
(Use this as a prayer)

Matthew 6:5-13
(The Lord's Prayer)

Romans 8:26-27
(“The Spirit helps us...”)

Ephesians 6:18
(“Pray in the Spirit...”)

1 Thessalonians 4:16
(“...pray without ceasing”)

1 John 5:14
(“...God hears us...”)

HYMNS

Hear Our Prayer
(Hillsong United)

When We Pray
(Tauren Wells)

What a Friend
We Have in Jesus
(ELW #742)

O Lord, Hear My Prayer
(ELW #751)

Lord, Listen to Your
Children Praying
(ELW #752)

BOOKS

Common Prayer
with downloadable app
(Shane Claiborne)

Praying in Color
(Sybil MacBeth)

Heart Ignite
(L. Griner & D. Monroe)

APPS

Search your App Store

Echo Prayer
Centering Prayer

WEBSITE

d365.org
Daily devotions & prayers

VIDEO*

**For God's Sake,
Just Pray**

*Search YouTube for this
title by Nadia Bolz Weber
(2:08)*

**Watch first to decide if this is
the right fit for your
congregation*

ART RESOURCES

(Paintings)

Prayer

(Sowjanya Sreeram)

Agony in the Garden

(Frans Schwartz)

Prayer

(Graham Dean)