

**† THE LORD'S PRAYER**

As Jesus taught us, so we pray:

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.

SAVE US FROM THE TIME OF TRIAL,

AND DELIVER US FROM EVIL.

FOR THE KINGDOM, THE POWER, AND THE GLORY

ARE YOURS

NOW AND FOR EVER.

AMEN.

**† THE BLESSING**

May the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding,  
keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God.

AMEN.

And may the blessing of God the Father, God the Son, and God the  
Holy Spirit, be among us and remain with us always.

AMEN.

Let us bless the Lord.

THANKS BE TO GOD.

A LITURGY  
FOR  
MID-DAY PRAYER  
(Honoring David Strieff)



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## A Liturgy for Mid-Day Prayer

### † OPENING

Oh God, make speed to save us.

OH LORD, MAKE HASTE TO HELP US.

### † CANDLE LIGHTING

### GRATITUDE AT MID-DAY

(please include a slight pause after each couplet)

Leader: Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us.

All: We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love.

Leader: We thank you for the blessing of family and friends,

All: And for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.

Leader: We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts,

All: And for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.

Leader: We thank you for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

All: Above all, we thank you for your son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his word and the example of his life;

Leader: For his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death;

All: And for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.

Leader: Grant us the power of your Spirit, that we may know Christ and make him known;

All: And through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. Amen.

### A READING FROM THE PSALMS

Psalm 139:1-12

### THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

Almighty God of grace and glory,  
WE REMEMBER BEFORE YOU TODAY OUR BROTHER, DAVID STRIEFF. WE THANK YOU FOR GIVING HIM TO US, TO KNOW AND TO LOVE AS A SPIRITUAL FRIEND AND MINISTRY COMPANION.

IN YOUR BOUNDLESS COMPASSION, CONSOLE US WHO MOURN. RENEW OUR FAITH, THAT WE MAY SEE IN DEATH THE GATE OF ETERNAL LIFE AND EXPERIENCE HIS JOY AT BEING FULLY TRANSFORMED IN YOUR PRESENCE.

GRANT US QUIET CONFIDENCE, THAT WE MAY CONTINUE OUR COURSE ON EARTH, UNTIL BY YOUR CALL, WE ARE REUNITED WITH HIM AND ALL THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE; we ask this for the sake of your love.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

### REFLECTIONS ON OUR LIFE IN COMMUNITY WITH DAVID STRIEFF

### READING FROM SCRIPTURE

II CORINTHIANS 13:11-13

This is the Word of the Lord!

THANKS BE TO GOD.

### PRAYERS OF GRIEF AND GRATITUDE

Lord, in your mercy.

HEAR OUR PRAYER.

Pause for offering prayers of gratitude and grief

In the communion of the Holy Spirit and of all the saints, we commend ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ our Lord.

AMEN.

### THE COLLECT FOR GRACE

O God, by whom we are guided in judgment, and who raises up for us light in the darkness:

GRANT US, IN ALL OUR DOUBTS AND UNCERTAINTIES, THE GRACE TO ASK WHAT YOU WOULD HAVE US TO DO; THAT YOUR SPIRIT OF WISDOM MAY SAVE US FROM ALL FALSE CHOICES, AND IN YOUR STRAIGHT PATH WE MAY NOT STUMBLE;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

### † PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

AND ALSO WITH YOU.

Let us share the presence and peace with one another.