

Prayer Book

November 26, 2023 // Christ the King Sunday

Psalm 95:1–11 // *“O Worship the King”*

As we move toward God in Prayer, we begin by recognizing who he is and who we are. He is our God, our King, our Shepherd. We are his creation, his people, his sheep. In prayer we put off the temptation to rule in his place. Instead, we turn to him and earnestly seek his good provision.

December 3, 2023 // First Sunday of Advent // **Hope**

Psalm 80:1–7, 17–19 // *“Shine On Us”*

As we wait in this time of darkness for the light to shine forth, we pray in hope and anticipation of the new thing God is going to do. We pray in sure expectation because God is our covenant God and he has promised a saviour to come and set all things right. We pray for the dawning of new life.

December 10, 2023 // Second Sunday of Advent // **Peace**

Psalm 85:1–13 // *“Promise of Peace”* // Pastor Calvin

In the in-between time of Jesus’s coming and coming again, we long for peace. That longing is expressed in prayer, calling on God to keep his promises to make all things new—including us! But, prayer isn’t a wishful hope for a new future. When we pray for peace, we are committing ourselves to be a peaceful people.

December 24, 2023 // Fourth Sunday of Advent // **Love**

Psalm 89:1–4, 19–26 // *“Promised King”*

God’s love is God’s faithfulness. God’s faithfulness is God’s keeping his covenant promises to his people. God has promised his people a son of David to sit on David’s throne over Israel and rule with justice and mercy—to bring peace. God shows his love for Israel and the world by sending his Son at just the right time.

December 24, 2023 // Christmas Eve

Psalm 96:1–13 // *“Jesus Reigns”*

“Let Heaven and Nature Sing!” With the birth of Jesus, the Messiah, God’s long awaited promises have been fulfilled and all things are now being made new! Our prayer lives are to be filled with gratitude in light of this overwhelming reality.

December 31, 2023

Psalm 148:1–14 // *“Praise Him”*

The basis of all prayer is the magnificent realization that God has chosen us for his very own. This gives rise to an abundance of praise (warm admiration) in our own lives and calls us together with others who share in this great salvation!

January 7, 2024 // Epiphany Sunday

Psalm 29:1–11 // *“Glory”*

In our day we can be a little loose with our language. We can describe a pizza as awesome. But such a word really should be reserved for God, for his glory. He alone is truly awesome, meaning he inspires awe. To enter into prayer is to stand in awe of who God is and what he has done for us.