



The Law of the Lord is Perfect

PRELUDE





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WELCOME





OPENING PRAYER

A Litany of Prayer for Wisdom

Gracious God, our Source of all wisdom, we gather before you seeking understanding and discernment. As we meditate on the words from Proverbs, may our hearts be open to your guidance.

Lord, grant us wisdom.

We look to the ant, persistent and purposeful, storing provisions for the future. Teach us, O God:

To be diligent in our pursuits.

We consider the ant's lack of overseer or ruler, yet it works tirelessly. Remind us, O God:

To work with integrity, even when no one is watching.

The ant gathers food in the harvest, preparing for leaner times. Inspire us, O God:

To be practical stewards of our resources.





OPENING PRAYER

A Litany of Prayer for Wisdom - continued

Help us not to lie in spiritual slumber, O Lord! Wake us from complacency:

Grant us a zeal for learning and growth.

A little rest, a little idleness—may we not fall into spiritual poverty:

Help us value diligence over ease.

In our pursuit of wisdom, may we honor you, O God:

Guide our steps so that we may walk in your ways.

May we be like the ant, storing wisdom in our hearts, ready for every season:

Grant us wisdom, O Lord.

All: Amen.





Three ideas



Morning devotions

Morning devotions are held
Mon-Fri @ 6:00 am via Zoom.



Midweek Service

The midweek service is
Thursday @ 7:30 pm via
YouTube.



Meeting of the Session

7:30 pm via Gotomeeting





RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

We are gathered in the presence of our God—the Source of all wisdom and understanding. As we begin our worship, let these words from Proverbs guide our hearts.

Lord, help us understand and receive your instructions for righteous living, including practicing justice, equity, and mercy.

Lord, we come seeking the light of your Word, eager to learn, grow, and discern. So we open our hearts to the Spirit's leading.

Speak, Lord. Your servants are listening!

During this sacred gathering, may we intently search for the wisdom that transcends earthly knowledge.

Lord, we worship and depend on you, the only One who imparts understanding.

As we sing, pray, and listen, may our hearts be tuned to the voice of Wisdom herself. Let us worship together.

Amen.



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Jesus Loves Me

OPENING HYMN





UNISON READING

My child, never forget the things I have taught you. Store my commands in your heart. If you do this, you will live many years, and your life will be satisfying. Never let loyalty and kindness leave you! Tie them around your neck as a reminder. Write them deep within your heart. Then, you will find favor with God and people and earn a good reputation.





AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.






SCRIPTURE READING

Proverbs 6:16-19

There are six things the Lord hates— no, seven things he detests: haughty eyes, a lying tongue, hands that kill the innocent, a heart that plots evil, feet that race to do wrong, a false witness who pours out lies, a person who sows discord in a family.



CALL TO CONFESSION





Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul: he leads me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.



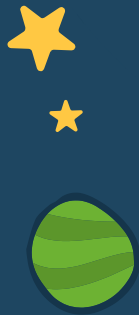
PASSING
THE PEACE
PRAYER FOR
ILLUMINATION



Morning Meditation



CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP





PASTORAL PRAYER





THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us away from temptation and deliver us from evil. For thine art the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.



WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING





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I've Got Peace Like a River

CLOSING HYMN