

sbt evening prayer: May 13 - 18, 2024

Join us online to pray together at 5pm Monday, Wednesday and Friday. We've also included readings for Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, so you can pray on your own.

The leader will read the regular print.

We will all read the bold together.

Song lyrics begin on page 3.

We welcome you, Spirit of God;
nothing can separate us from your love.

Breathe on us, breath of God;
fill us with your saving power.

Speak in us, wisdom of God;
bring strength, healing and peace.

The Lord is here.
God's spirit is with us.

As our evening prayer rises before you, O God,
so may your mercy come down upon us
to cleanse our hearts and set us free to sing your
praise, now and forever. **Amen**

Singing

A reading from Psalms (34; 35:1-15; 35:16-28; 36;
37:1-18; 37:19-42)

The word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Second Reading:

Monday -Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

"In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.
Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,

blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and
glorious day.

Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord
shall be saved."

Tuesday - Romans 8:22-27

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption,

the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

Wednesday - John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

‘When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them.

‘I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, “Where are you going?” But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

‘I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

Thursday - the reading for Monday is used.

Friday - the reading for Tuesday is used.

Saturday: The reading for Wednesday is used.

The word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Singing or Reading

We offer prayers, spoken or silent, for ourselves and for others. You can type your prayers into the comment section of the Facebook post or speak them aloud in your own home. You aren't being recorded so if you say them out loud we won't be able to hear you, but God will.

This time ends with the leader saying,
“Lord in your mercy,” *and the group responds,*
“**Hear our prayers.**”

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour Christ has taught us, saying:

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Singing

Nunc Dimittis (Luke 2:29-32)

**O God, you have set your servant free
to go in peace as you have promised;**

**For these eyes of mine have seen the Saviour,
whom you have prepared for all the world to see:**

**A light to enlighten the nations,
and the glory of your people Israel.**

Glory to God, Source of all being, Incarnate Word, and Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen.

Keep watch, dear God, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, O Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. Amen

Songs

*Songs are in alphabetical order by the first word of the song.

Abide with Me (Henry Francis Lyte)

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide
The darkness deepens Lord, with me abide
When other helpers fail and comforts flee
Help of the helpless, oh, abide with me

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away
Change and decay in all around I see
O Thou who changest not, abide with me
I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless

Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness
Where is death's sting?
Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me...

Be at Rest (Gord Johnson)

Be at rest, once more, O my soul. Be at rest, once more, O my soul.
For the Lord has been good, Oh the Lord has been good,
For the Lord has been good to you.

Calm, Quiet (Stephen Iverson)

Calm, quiet, open up your heart and let the one who knows your fears, the one who meets your needs, be welcome and adored.

Confitemini Domino

Come and fill our hearts with your peace (love, joy, light, hope, rest), You alone O God are holy

Come and fill our hearts with your peace (love, joy, light, hope, rest), alleluia.

Come to My Help (Steve Bell)

Come to my help, O God
Lord hurry to my rescue

Even So Lord Jesus Come (Steve Bell)

Even so, Lord Jesus come
O divine and glorious son
Though we live as Your body
Here on earth
Even so Lord Jesus come

Gracious Father, Sovereign Lord
Your creations one adored
By Your hand we receive Your majesty
Even so, Lord Jesus come

Holy Spirit, breath of life
Light a path through darkest night
In Your care we confess our deepest sigh
Even so, Lord Jesus come

God Who Watches Over You (Alana Levandoski)

God who watches over you, will never slumber nor sleep. (Repeat)
O my child lay your burdens down, lay them at my feet.
God who watches over you, will never slumber nor sleep.

Alleluia (Jim Reale)

In my body, God moves through me, may I move through God
In my breath, God breathes through me, may I breathe through God
In my heart, God loves through me, may I love through God
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

O Gracious Light

O gracious Light,
Lord Jesus Christ,
in you the Father's glory shone.
Immortal, holy, blest is he,

and blest are you, his holy Son.

Now sunset comes,
but light shines forth,
the lamps are lit to pierce the night.
Praise Father, Son, and Spirit: God
who dwells in the eternal light.

Worthy are you of endless praise,
O Son of God, Life-giving Lord;
wherefore you are
through all the earth
and in the highest heaven adored.
(Tune: Tallis's Canon)

O Lord Hear My Prayer

(Taize Community, Psalm 101)

O Lord hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer.
When I call, answer me.
O Lord hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer.
Come and listen to me
The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise:
All my hope comes from God.
The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise:
God, the well-spring of life.

Here I Am (Andrew Krahn)

Here I am, the servant of the Lord
Here I am, the servant of the Lord.

Let it be with me
Let it be with me
Let it be with me
According to your word

Jesse Tree (Gord Johnson)

Out of the root of the Jesse tree
I'm going to set my people free
Into the desert and into the night
I'm going to send my sweet pure light
And there'll be peace, joy, hope and love
Peace, joy, hope and love

May the Peace of Christ Go With You (Setting by Andrew Krahn)

May the peace of Christ go with you
Wherever he may send you
May he guide you through the wilderness
Protect you through the storm

May he bring you home rejoicing
At the wonders he has shown you
May he bring you home rejoicing
Once again into our doors

Only In God

Only in God is my soul at rest
in Him comes my salvation
He only is my rock, my strength and my salvation
My stronghold, my Savior.
I shall not be afraid at all
My stronghold, My Savior. I shall not be moved.

Only in God is found Safety
when the enemy pursues me
Only in God is found glory, when I am found meek
and found lowly.

Peace Be Still

(Stephen Iverson, based on Mark 4:39)

Peace. Be still. Peace. Be still. The storm rages.
Peace. Be still.

Surely God is in This Place (Stephen Iverson)

Surely God is in this place, holy ground. Surely
God is in this place, holy ground.

Take Lord

Take Lord, and receive
All I have and possess
You have give all to me and
I return it.

Refrain: Give me all of Your love and Your grace
That's enough for me
Your love and your grace, That's enough for me.

Take Lord and receive
All my liberty, my memory, understanding
My entire will: Refrain.

The Lord Upholds All Who Are Falling (Michael Morris from Psalm 145:14)

The Lord upholds, all who are falling, and raises up
all who are bowed down.

There is Something Deep (Gord Johnson)

There is something deep, deep inside us all
Some dark night waiting for the day
It remains a longing
Only You can fill, Only You can fill
Oh, when will we ever learn, only you can fill.

Though I Feel Alone

(Don Chaffer & Lori Chaffer, from Psalm 63)

Though I feel alone, I am never alone
Though I feel alone, I am never alone
For you are with me, you are with me
O my God

Ubi Caritas

**(Taize Community, "Where charity and love are,
God is there.")**

U-bi Caritas et amor. U-bi Caritas Deus ibi est

Wait for the Lord (Taize)

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near
Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart.

Who Condemns You Now (Gord Johnson)

Who condemns you now
Neither they nor I
Go and sin no more
Go and sin no more

You are my Hiding Place

(From Psalm 32)

You are my hiding place
You always fill my heart with songs of deliverance
Whenever I feel afraid I will trust in You

I will trust in You
Let the weak say I am strong in the strength of the
Lord
I will trust in You