

Monthly Living Devotional

“Pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective” (James 5:16). This daily devotional is an important ministry of our church. The scripture readings that are included for each day direct our attention to and shed light upon the texts we read together each Sunday morning. The individuals and families listed each day are part of our extended family, and knowing that we have so many folks praying for us each day can be a powerful and uplifting experience. We hope you find this guide useful to your daily prayer life.

Tue, 01 Dec 2015

Read: Psalm 90; 2 Samuel 7:18-29; Revelation 22:12-16;

Pray for: Kyle Morrell

Wed, 02 Dec 2015

Read: Psalm 90; Isaiah 1:24-31; Luke 11:29-32;

Pray for: Joyce Parrott

Thu, 03 Dec 2015

Read: Luke 1:68-79; Malachi 3:5-12; Philippians 1:12-18a;

Pray for: Churches in Africa

Out of the embrace of mercy and righteousness, you have brought forth joy and dignity for your people, O Holy One of Israel. Remember now your ancient promise: make straight the paths that lead to you, and smooth the rough ways, that in our day, we might bring forth your compassion for all humanity. Amen.

Fri, 04 Dec 2015

Read: Luke 1:68-79; Malachi 3:13-18; Philippians 1:18b-26;

Pray for: Doug & Carol Purington

Sat, 05 Dec 2015

Read: Luke 1:68-79; Malachi 4:1-6; Luke 9:1-6;

Pray for: Brian & Sarah, Wallace Wyatt

Sun, 06 Dec 2015 (2nd Sunday of Advent)

Read: Malachi 3:1-4; Luke 1:68-79; Philippians 1:3-11; Luke 3:1-6

Mon, 07 Dec 2015

Read: Psalm 126; Isaiah 40:1-11; Romans 8:22-25;

Pray for: Janice & Joe Roberts

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Tue, 08 Dec 2015

Read: Psalm 126; Isaiah 19:18-25; 2 Peter 1:2-15;

Pray for: Doug & Susan Roberts

Wed, 09 Dec 2015

Read: Psalm 126; Isaiah 35:3-7; Luke 7:18-30;

Pray for: Ethan Self

Thu, 10 Dec 2015

Read: Isaiah 12:2-6; Amos 6:1-8; 2 Corinthians 8:1-15;

Pray for: Harriet Roberts

O God of the exiles and the lost, you promise restoration and wholeness through the power of Jesus Christ. Give us faith to live joyfully, sustained by your promises as we eagerly await the day when they will be fulfilled for all the world to see, through the coming of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Fri, 11 Dec 2015

Read: Isaiah 12:2-6; Amos 8:4-12; 2 Corinthians 9:1-15;

Pray for: Lewis Roberts

Sat, 12 Dec 2015

Read: Isaiah 12:2-6; Amos 9:8-15; Luke 1:57-66;

Pray for: Mary Roberts

Sun, 13 Dec 2015 (3rd Sunday of Advent)

Read: Zephaniah 3:14-20; Isaiah 12:2-6; Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3:7-18

Mon, 14 Dec 2015

Read: Isaiah 11:1-9; Numbers 16:1-19; Hebrews 13:7-17;

Pray for: R.P. & Joyce Whittenburg

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Tue, 15 Dec 2015

Read: Isaiah 11:1-9; Numbers 16:20-35; Acts 28:23-31;

Pray for: John Roberts & Family

Wed, 16 Dec 2015

Read: Isaiah 11:1-9; Micah 4:8-13; Luke 7:31-35;

Pray for: Lindsey & Brandon, Mason McCaslin

Thu, 17 Dec 2015

Read: Psalm 80:1-7; Jeremiah 31:31-34; Hebrews 10:10-18;

Pray for: Presbyterian Church (USA)

O Shepherd of Israel, you gently support the one who is with child and call forth the Lamb who dances in the womb. Stir our hearts to recognize Christ's coming, as Elizabeth recognized his presence in Mary's radiant obedience to your desire, and open our souls to receive the One who came to love your flock. Amen.

Fri, 18 Dec 2015

Read: Psalm 80:1-7; Isaiah 42:10-18; Hebrews 10:32-39;

Pray for: Mary Sanders

Sat, 19 Dec 2015

Read: Psalm 80:1-7; Isaiah 66:7-11; Luke 13:31-35;

Pray for: June Schmidt

Sun, 20 Dec 2015 (4th Sunday of Advent)

Read: Micah 5:2-5a; Luke 1:47-55; Hebrews 10:5-10; Luke 1:39-45 (46-55)

Mon, 21 Dec 2015

Read: Psalm 113; Genesis 25:19-28; Colossians 1:15-20;

Pray for: Danny, Carly, Jenna, Caleb, Ayden Shaw

O Holy One, heavenly angels spoke to earthly shepherds and eternity entered time in the child of Bethlehem. Through the telling of the Christmas story, let our temporal lives be caught up in the eternal in that same child, that we might join shepherds and all the heavenly host in praising the coming of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Tue, 22 Dec 2015

Read: Luke 1:46b-55; Micah 4:1-5; Ephesians 2:11-22;

Pray for: Ashton Cruey

Wed, 23 Dec 2015

Read: Luke 1:46b-55; Micah 4:6-8; 2 Peter 1:16-21;

Pray for: Tim & LeeAnne, Brock, Blair Shelton

Thu, 24 Dec 2015

Read: Luke 1:46b-55; Micah 6:6-8; Hebrews 10:5-10;

Pray for: Barbara Jean Smith & Family

God, you spoke and your Word became flesh, breathing a new song of joy and praise into the world. Grant that we may bear the good news of your salvation, proclaiming your promise of peace to the ends of the earth. Amen.

Fri, 25 Dec 2015 (Christmas Eve)

Read: Isaiah 9:2-7; Psalm 96; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-14 [15-20]

Pray for: Bea Tilson

Sat, 26 Dec 2015

Read: Psalm 148; 2 Chronicles 24:17-24; Acts 6:1-7; 7:51-60;

Pray for: Randy & Vicky Trentham

Sun, 27 Dec 2015

Read: Psalm 148; Proverbs 8:32-36; John 21:19b-24;

Mon, 28 Dec 2015

Read: Psalm 148; Isaiah 54:1-13; Revelation 21:1-7;

Pray for: Ricky Trentham & Family

From our mother's womb you have known us, O God. You call us to follow you through all our days and seek us even when we wander. As we advance in years, clothe us with your love, that we may grow in grace and find favor in your sight; through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Tue, 29 Dec 2015

Read: Psalm 147:12-20; 1 Chronicles 28:1-10; 1 Corinthians 3:10-17;

Pray for: Shandi & Bradley, Ryleigh Whittenburg

Wed, 30 Dec 2015

Read: Psalm 147:12-20; 2 Chronicles 1:7-13; Mark 13:32-37;

Pray for: Mary Alexander

Thu, 31 Dec 2015

Read: Psalm 147:12-20; 1 Kings 3:5-14; John 8:12-19;

Pray for: Lisa, Shawn & William Balabas

Gracious God, you have redeemed us through Jesus Christ, the first-born of all creation, whose birth we celebrate as the child of Bethlehem. Bless us with every spiritual blessing, that we may live as your adopted children and witness to your glory with unending praise and thanksgiving. Amen.