

Weekly Noon Prayers

Wednesday 22 through Wednesday 29 April 2020

Wednesday 22 April Noon Prayer

Let us join in solidarity with those around the world by praying the Lord's Prayer at noon this day.

Thursday 23 April Noon Prayer

God of Love and Forgiveness,

We ask your forgiveness for all our sins especially those of impatience, frustration, and shaming associated with the corona virus. Help us to be patient, kind and gentle to those who are struggling with the COVID-19 restrictions. Help us to resist the urge to judge others. Help us to be forgiving to others and ourselves as you forgive us. Guide us to make wise decisions which protect others and ourselves from the virus. Be with those who are ill, those who will die this day, and those who are providing care. In Jesus' name we pray.

Friday 24 April Noon Prayer

Gracious and Loving God,

We give you thanks for all our essential workers. For those who work in warehouses, those who deliver goods, those who stock and clean our grocery stores, cashiers, mail personnel, garbage collectors, and countless others who work each day to keep us stocked with necessities and daily services. Prior to COVID-19 we hardly gave any thought to the important role these workers play in our daily lives. As we seek to develop our "new normal" may we be thankful for those who work in the daily occupations. Guide us as we develop our new normal. In Jesus' name we pray.

Saturday 25 April Noon Prayer

Loving God,

Be with those who are struggling this day with financial concerns. We think of small business owners and their employees, those in the hospitality industry, and those who have lost their jobs due to the COVID-19 restrictions. Help us to be supportive of these businesses and individuals as we are able now and in the future. For those of us blessed with stimulus checks, help us to use them wisely. May we support small businesses, the hospitality industry and nonprofits who are making a difference in the lives of people in our communities. As always guide us to be good stewards of all you have given us. In Jesus' name we pray.

Sunday 26 April Noon Prayer

The prayers used today in worship:

A: Uplifted by the promised hope of healing and resurrection, we join the people of God in all times and places in praying for the church, the world, and all who are in need (*A brief silence*). Walk with those whose hearts are fervent with love for Your gospel, that they are

empowered to tell the story of Your love in their lives and to show hospitality in response to this love. Lord, in Your mercy,
hear our prayer.

P: Walk with us as we work to restore broken systems we have inherited and continue to perpetuate. Restrain the nations from fighting over limited resources and redeem us from the cycles of scarcity and violence. Lord, in Your mercy,
hear our prayer.

A: Walk with all who call upon Your healing name and give them rest. Stay with us, and walk with all those who are sick, near death, hungry, friendless, despairing, alone and desiring healing in body and spirit. Tend to all who cry out for relief. Lord, in Your mercy,
hear our prayer.

P: Walk with all who continue to care for others during this time of pandemic and give them peace. Continue to walk on the road with those who are working in the medical fields and attempting to bring comfort and healing to those who are sick. Walk with those who are working so diligently to help find a cure for this disease. Walk with those who are distributing goods and delivering those goods to the marketplace. Lord, in Your mercy,
hear our prayer.

A: Walk with those who are using creative and innovative methods in faith forming ministries of Your Church. For those who are enhancing the faith of our children and those who continue to enhance the story of Your great love for all people. Walk with our children and all the children of this world that their eyes and hearts would see You and feel You. Walk with parents and teachers that their words and thoughts would be inspired by Your presence. In all Your people do and say let us simply "do what Your great love calls us to do." Lord, in Your mercy,
hear our prayer.

P: Walk with this community on the road of unity. We give You thanks and praise for allowing us to gather and worship as a community in new and profound ways during this time. We especially thank You for the gift of partnership being shared by St. John's Windish Lutheran Church and the United Proclamation of the Gospel parish and all those who are joining us via the internet. Continue to bind us together in ways that promote the singular proclamation of Your great love for this world. Lord in Your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

A: Walk with those who are near death and with their families. Guide the thoughts of our hearts and the words of our mouth with Your comforting presence and free us from the fear of mortal death fully embracing the eternal promise offered by You which brings us peace and comfort. Lord in Your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

P: We lift up our individual prayers to You (silence for reflection). Lord, in Your mercy,
hear our prayer.

A: With bold confidence in Your love, almighty God, we place all for whom we pray into Your eternal care; through Christ our Lord.

Monday 27 April Noon Prayer

Creating and Redeeming God,

We pray today for those who are separated from loved ones. Those who are in hospitals, nursing homes, assisted living apartments, personal care facilities, and those who are

separated because of work. Send your comfort and love to those who are apart from loved ones and give them your strength as they wait to be reunited with those they love. Help us to support them through our prayers, written greetings, and technology. In Jesus' name we pray.

Tuesday 28 April Noon Prayer

Loving God,

We thank you for walking with us and carrying us through this pandemic. Shower us with your tender and loving touch, your comfort, and your peace as we move forward. Give us your patience and guidance and we look for ways to safely return to our normal activities. Guide us as we begin to create our new normal. Help us to remember and use the lessons we have learned the past several weeks. Keep us connected to the things that are important and help us let go of that which does not serve us. In Jesus' name we pray.

Wednesday 29 April Noon Prayer

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