

THE PRESENT WORD

ADULT BIBLE LESSONS

W O R S H I P L E A F L E T S

The Lord's Prayer is used in most sessions. Refer to this page when so indicated.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray (*select a version of the 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 not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.**

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

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SUSTAINING OUR FAITH

*Responses are in **bold**.

OPENING SENTENCES

Jude 20–21, 2

You, beloved, build yourselves up on your most holy faith; pray in the Holy Spirit; keep yourselves in the love of God; look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life.

May mercy, peace, and love be ours in abundance.

HYMN

God is my strong salvation;
what foe have I to fear?
In peril and temptation my light,
my help is near.
Though hosts encamp around me,
firm to the fight I stand;
what terror can confound me,
with God at my right hand?

“God Is My Strong Salvation” (*GtG*, #841)

Place on the Lord reliance;
my soul, with courage wait;
God’s truth be thine affianced
when faint and desolate.
God’s might thy heart shall strengthen;
God’s love thy joy increase;
mercy thy days shall lengthen;
the Lord will give thee peace.

SCRIPTURE

Jude 17–25

17 But you, beloved, must remember the words previously spoken by the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁸for they said to you, “In the last time there will be scoffers, indulging their own ungodly lusts.” ¹⁹It is these worldly people, devoid of the Spirit, who are causing divisions. ²⁰But you, beloved, build yourselves up on your most holy faith; pray in the Holy Spirit; ²¹keep yourselves in the love of God; look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life. ²²And have mercy on some

who are wavering; ²³save others by snatching them out of the fire; and have mercy on still others with fear, hating even the tunic defiled by their bodies.

²⁴Now to him who is able to keep you from falling and to make you stand without blemish in the presence of his glory with rejoicing, ²⁵to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, power, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

BIBLE STUDY

To be led using the Participant’s Book, p. 2, and Leader’s Guide, p. 3.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

(FOWWC-A1, p. 101)

Gracious God, we come before you
in need of forgiveness and grace.
You call us to trust in you completely,
but we do not.
We are timid and fearful as we follow your lead.
We justify our actions and words,
though we know they are not what you require.
We struggle to understand the new life Christ offers,
preferring old habits to risky change.
Forgive us, we pray.
Help us to be born again into the life of Christ,
trusting that you have included us by grace in the family of faith,
in Christ's name we pray.

(A time of silence and individual prayers of thanksgiving and intercession may follow.)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pray the Lord's Prayer found on page iii.

DISMISSAL

Jude 20–21

But you, beloved, build yourselves up
in your most holy faith; pray in the Holy Spirit;
keep yourselves in the love of God;
look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ
that leads to eternal life.