



Short daily prayers for people & situations, our Church, our local Community & further afield by Allister & Christine.

Friday 1st - World Smile Day 🙂

"The prayer of a righteous person is powerful ...and effective." James 5:16b

Dear God, at the start of this month, help us to recognize you above all else. Enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see you and notice how you're at work through our lives. Give us wisdom to make the best choices, fill us with a desire to seek after you more than anything else in this world. Let your Spirit breathe in us, through us, again and again, afresh, anew. Amen

Saturday 2nd

"Every scripture is inspired by God and useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the person dedicated to God may be capable and equipped for every good work." 2 Timothy 3:16-17

We thank You and praise You that we can read Your Word in our English language Bibles... and in so many different versions that enrich our understanding. Please open our minds and hearts to what your Spirit reveals to us through your Living Word...

and as we read it... to act on it... AMEN

SUNDAY 3rd - Grandparents Day

"Therefore, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in Him, rooted and built up in Him and firm in your faith just as you were taught,

and overflowing with thankfulness." Colossians 2:6-7 Father, thank you for the sacrificial love, the limitless patience, and joyous fun of Grandparents... modelled on You! Hallelujah!

Monday 4th - St Francis of Assisi

"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

Lord, thank you for using me as your instrument today. May I be an agent of reconciliation as your ambassador on earth.

Tuesday 5th - World Teachers Day

"For God has not given us a spirit of timidity, but of power ...and love and discipline." 2 Timothy 1:7

Abba, Father, we pray for your protection over all those who are facing targeted discrimination, harassment, even violence because of their ethnicity, gender, or beliefs whether in school, work or their community. When I fail to love others as I should please transform me to your ways in Jesus' name. Amen

Wednesday 6th

"The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let him who hears say, "Come!" Whoever is thirsty, let him come; and whoever wishes, let him take the free gift of the water of life." Rev 22:17

The Vine Trust, an international development charity, enables volunteers to provide medical, home-building, and care support to communities living in severe poverty in Tanzania and Peru. We pray today for its Patron HRH The Princess Royal, all the individuals (especially those of our TVP family) and organisations that have contributed time and resources to a project that has helped nearly 2 million people already. This is an amazing accomplishment, and we give our grateful thanks to you Lord and we pray for the continued success of The Vine Trust. Amen

Thursday 7th

"So faith comes from hearing,

...and hearing through the word of Christ." Romans 10:17

Father, I have to thank You for looking beyond my faults and for loving me unconditionally. Forgive me when I fail to love others in the same way. Give me eyes to see the needs of the difficult people in my life, and show me how to meet those needs in a way that pleases You. In Jesus' Name. Amen

Friday 8th - World Octopus Day

"Don't fret or worry. Instead of worrying, pray. Let petitions and praises shape our worries into prayers, letting God know your concerns. Before you know it, a sense of God's wholeness, everything coming together for good, will come and settle you down. It's wonderful what happens when Christ displaces worry at the centre of your life."

Philippians 4:6-7

Dear loving Father, we are sorry for destroying your world... We are sorry for the pollution of the sea... and for acid rain and all the things it destroys... for litter in the streets. Please help us to make our world a better place. Amen (*Geraldine Murphy*, 10)

Saturday 9th

"You are also to observe the Feast of Harvest, the firstfruits of your labours that you have sown in the field." Exodus 23:16a

Lord, you are ever watchful and bless us with countless gifts; as you provide for all our needs. Help us to build only what pleases you, especially as we seek your will for how TVP will fit in the changing shape of your Church in Scotland. Amen

SUNDAY 10th - Family Celebration (Zoom)

"Go, stand in the Temple court and keep telling the people ...all about this new life!" Acts 5:20

Father, thank you for intervening in my life and allowing me to have a personal relationship with you. Thank you for your love forgiving me today and forever. Thank you for the blessings you've given me and my family. Help us use those blessings to bless others. May I live a life of true joy as I see you around me, in others, in creation... today... & every day! Amen... Hallelujah!

Monday 11th

"The Lord is on my side, I am not afraid! What can people do to me?"

Psalm 118:6

Dear Heavenly Father, we pray for the safety of the thousands of people who are still, desperately trying to escape from Afghanistan after the country's fall to the Taliban. We pray that they may find new hope and that lives torn apart wil be restored. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen

Tuesday 12th - World Arthritis

"I also know that whatever God does will endure forever; nothing can be added to it, and nothing taken away from it. God has made it this way, so that men will fear him."

Ecclesiastes 3:14

Loving Lord, thank you for being my refuge and my strength. Thank you that no matter what the circumstances, I can count on you to shelter me and to give me strength. Thank you that even if things seem unbearable, you are always with me, always loving me, always helping me, in Jesus' name. Amen

Wednesday 13th - Kirk Session

"And so He is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the eternal inheritance He has promised, since He died to set them free from the violations committed under the first covenant."

Hebrews 9:15

Dear Lord, as we rise to meet each new day, please let us be filled with Your spirit. Wherever we go, even to the Kirk Session, let us spread love, joy, peace, goodness, and faithfulness. Let us desire your will, to become more like you and to worship you in all we do. Help us thirst for this perfect fruit far more than the sin of self that so easily entices us. In Jesus' Name. Amen

Thursday 14th

"For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith."

1 John 5:4

Dear God, thank you for your amazing power and work in our lives, thank you for your goodness and for your blessings over us. Thank you for your great love and care. Thank you for your sacrifice so that we might have freedom and life. Forgive us for when we don't thank you enough, for who you are, for all that you do, for all that you've given. Amen

Friday 15th

"Life does not consist in an abundance of possessions."



Luke 12:15

Lord, I have too much... Thank you! I see so many who have too little... challenge me to make a difference, now!

Saturday 16th - World Food Day

"Give us this day our daily bread." Matthew 6:11

We praise You our Creator for the wonder, diversity, and majesty of creation! We thank you for our indigenous apples and plums, continental oranges and lemons, from further afield bananas and pineapples, and all the other incredible food we enjoy from pummelo to jabuticaba, from jicama to nopales...

...you are amazing! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

SUNDAY 17th

"... the only thing that matters is faith...

...working through love." Galations 5:6b

Thank You Father for Your goodness... grace... love... mercy... peace... power... provision... direction... joy... strength... and Your guidance. Thank you for what You have done and continue to do in our lives, help us to share You more... in love. We love You... and we exalt You... in Jesus' name. Alleluia!

Monday 18th - St Luke

"May Your kingdom come, may Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven." Matthew 6:10

Father God, help me love the life I live right now. Show me the good things I often overlook and help me be content with what I have. Forgive me when I compare myself to others, forgive me for longing for things outside of you and your kingdom. Thank you for loving me right where I am, right as I am. Help me keep my eyes on you, in the name of your Son Jesus Christ. Amen

Tuesday 19th

"The LORD is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer." 2 Sam 22:2 Dear Lord, I don't know who or what will cross my path today. But I do know that You are my Rock and my Fortress, my Shield and my Strong Tower. Help me to anchor myself to You today.

Wednesday 20th

"Praised be God, Father of our Lord Yeshua the Messiah, who, in keeping with his great mercy, has caused us, through the resurrection of Yeshua the Messiah from the dead, to be born again to a living hope."

1 Peter 1:3

Dear Heavenly Father, we know we are now in a climate emergency. More people are going hungry, extreme weather events are more severe and communities are being displaced. People are being pushed back into poverty and the damage to earth is accelerating. As we contemplate the scale of the crisis, it's important we keep our eyes fixed on You, the God of justice, who loves creation and can bring restoration and peace. Amen

Thursday 21st

"I am the resurrection and the life."

John 11:25

Dear Lord, thank you for Reece and the Impact team. We are grateful for this great opportunity for young people to meet others of their own age and develop new friendships. May our Youth church continue to grow as those who attend each week share the good news of you with their friends. Amen

Friday 22nd

"For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength."

I Corinthians 1:25

Lord, thank you that when I am weak, you are strong. Lord, the Devil schemes and I know he desires to keep me from spending time with you. Don't let him win! Give me a measure of your strength so that I might not give into discouragement, deception... doubt! Help me honour you in all my ways. Amen

Saturday 23rd - United Nations Day (tomorrow)

"May the Lord give strength to His people.

May the Lord bless His people with Peace." Psalm 29:11

The UN commitment is to: repair broken trust, heal our planet, leave no one behind, uphold dignity for one and all... as united nations. Thank you for the UN. May we reflect these Christ-like qualities in serving you. Amen

SUNDAY 24th - MESSY CHURCH

"Therefore ask the Lord of the Harvest to send out workers ...into His harvest-ready fields." Matthew 9:38

Dear Lord, we pray for Louise and all our Messy Church Leaders and helpers. Thank you for their commitment and enthusiasm. We pray that our Messy Church families are drawn to a closer understanding of your love Father, through all the activities and the Bible readings, and we pray whole families are brought into a deeper relationship with your Son through your Spirit. Amen

Monday 25th

"Praise the Lord, O my soul! Do not forget all His kind deeds!"

Psalm 103:2

Heavenly Father, help us to set our eyes and our hearts on you afresh. Renew our spirits, fill us with your peace and joy. We love you and we need you, this day, and every day. We give you praise and thanks, for You alone are worthy! Amen

Tuesday 26th

"Indeed you will go out with joy."

Isaiah 55:12

Lord God, the beauty of music testifies to your glory & majesty. Thank you for music, and for the gift you've given Catherine Shimwell. We pray for her to feel your loving support in her new role as TVP Music Director/Organist. We give thanks that we can worship you Lord in this glorious, joyous, uplifting way. Amen

Wednesday 27th

"O Lord my God, I called to You for help and You healed me."
Psalm 30:2

Lord, grant me courage as I go through this day. When I am tempted to give up, help me to keep going. Grant me a cheerful spirit when things don't go my way. Give me the courage and strength to do whatever needs to be done. Amen

Thursday 28th - St Jude/Thaddeus

"Come, let's consider your options," says the Lord.
"Though your sins have stained you like the colour red,
you can become white like snow." Isaiah 1:18

Jesus, thank you for coming to save us from sin and death. Light our way and help us to shine your light for others. Amen

Friday 29th

"Therefore, my friends, I want you to know that through Jesus the forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you." Acts 13:38

O Lord, please bless all musicians that they might glorify the hearts of your people, so that they draw closer to you. Amen

Saturday 30th - All Hallow's Eve - clocks go back...

"They were singing a new song: "You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals because You were killed, and at the cost of Your own blood You have purchased for God persons from every tribe, language, people, and nation." Rev 5:9 Today we give you thanks for the great times we've shared with those family and friends who have gone on ahead of us, and through whom—over the years—we've been blessed in our Christian journey. We thank you for the privilege of being able

to take on their responsibilities in your amazing plan for all

humanity, through your son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen

SUNDAY 31st

"For I know what I have planned for you," says the Lord.
"I have plans to prosper you, not to harm you.
I have plans to give you a future filled with hope." Jeremiah 29:11
Hi Lord! Today's a new day, a chance for a new start. Yesterday is gone and with it any regrets, mistakes, or failures I may have experienced. The end of a month to be joyous and give thanks; and I do, Lord. Thank you for this Sabbath, a new opportunity to love, give and be all that you want me to be from now on. Amen

Bible references are taken from: The Complete Jewish Bible, English Standard Version, New American Standard Bible, New English Translation, New International Version, The Message, & Today's English Version.

Things to pray for throughout the month:

Our Minister Dale & his family...
Our Session Clerks... Kirk Session...
Congregational Board... Messy Church Team...
Impact... Home Groups... Our Church Family