



Trinity Church Rocky Hill
Tuesday Evening Prayer
April 27, 2021 - 6:00 PM

**O gracious light,
pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven,
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!**

**Now as we come to the setting of the sun,
and our eyes behold the vesper light,
we sing your praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**

**You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,
O Son of God, O Giver of Life,
and to be glorified through all the worlds.**

MEDITATION ON PSALM 42

¹As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, my God.
²My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When can I go and meet with God?
³My tears have been my food day and night, while people say to me all day long,
“Where is your God?” ⁴These things I remember as I pour out my soul: how I used to
go to the house of God under the protection of the Mighty One with shouts of joy and
praise among the festive throng. ⁵Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed
within me? Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God. ⁶My
soul is downcast within me; therefore, I will remember you from the land of the Jordan,
the heights of Hermon - from Mount Mizar. ⁷Deep calls to deep in the roar of your
waterfalls; all your waves and breakers have swept over me. ⁸By day the LORD directs
his love, at night his song is with me - a prayer to the God of my life. ⁹I say to God my
Rock, “Why have you forgotten me? Why must I go about mourning, oppressed by the
enemy?” ¹⁰My bones suffer mortal agony as my foes taunt me, saying to me all day
long, “Where is your God?” ¹¹Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed
within me? Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever, Amen.

PRAYERS

“But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.” - Amos 5:24

Dear God, Justice. Justice. Justice. This is what we cry out all the day long, Lord, as we pray for a more equitable world for the people whom you love so deeply and infinitely. God we pray that we might deeply care. That we might care for our creation, that we might care for the trees, the land, the deserts, the forests, the parks, the people who walk on this earth and who are your beloved children. Teach us Lord to truly and rightly do this in our actions, in our hearts, in our thoughts, in our words, in how we love, in when we speak, and in erasing our silence. **Amen.**

May we care for our siblings by fighting for equity. May we feel called to do these things every single day. Every day until justice rolls down like an ever-flowing stream. That stream that God created. This world which belongs to our creator and for which we are called to treasure and love. **Amen.**

God we lift up all of this as we lift up the particular places where your creation hurts.

Last week as we saw that Derek Chauvin was convicted of the murder of George Floyd in the United States, we felt for a moment a small piece of justice in a country and world where black and brown bodies are so violently mistreated. We know that one decision will not change everything and that your children will continue to live in fear as so many more of your children are mercilessly mistreated and killed. We pray that we all may continue to struggle to make a difference and to see justice roll down.

As our siblings in India are running out of Covid-19 vaccines as they battle a devastating second wave of infections, we pray Lord that somehow your children might be healed and vaccine production might allow for lives to be saved.

God, we pray for Indonesia where your children have launched search efforts for a navy submarine which has gone missing with 53 people on board. As we fear for the lives of these individuals, we pray that you may stand with the families and loved ones of those on the submarine.

God, we pray for your children in Chad who recently lost their President Idriss Déby. As your children figure out the next steps of what to do in their leadership, we pray that peace may abound and flow through each of your children there. May peace always reign and may there be peace in the hearts of your people.

God, as we celebrate Earth Day all around the world, may we remember to continually fight for justice for our Earth and to continually remember that you have gifted us with this beautiful creation. May we continually be better stewards of your creation – the beautiful forests, the deserts, wildlife, and all of the creatures which we are called to care for in everything we do. May you remind us of our connection to your creation and to all of the creatures and people who are a part of it. **Amen.**

Creator God, we ask for your peace and your justice to reign all over this beautiful Earth. Please, Lord, may it be so. In your name we pray. **Amen.**

A Prayer for the Nations of the World

Awesome Father, we thank You for empowering all believers of Jesus Christ by the Holy Spirit to fulfill the passion of Your Son. We thank You, Holy Spirit, for inspiring the hearts of men and women in all nations of the world to spread the Word of Truth to glorify You. Thank You, Father, for giving us Your Spirit to unify the Body of Christ around the world. We extol You as our God and King. We bless Your Name forever and ever. Every day we will bless You and praise Your Name. You are great and greatly to be praised. Your greatness is unsearchable. Father, we are grateful for the freedom to worship You, our God. We praise You for infusing our prayers with Your power as we boldly declare Your Word. You are a wonderful God! **Amen.**

Righteous Father, we stand amazed at the fullness of Your love. You so loved the world that You gave Your one and only Son so that whoever believes in Him would not perish but have eternal life. We declare that the knowledge of You fills the earth like the waters that cover the sea, that You be glorified. You have spoken and Your Word will not return empty but will accomplish Your purpose. Your Word tells us that there will be a great multitude that no one can count from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before Your throne. They will cry out, "Salvation belongs to our God and the Lamb, Jesus Christ, who sits on the throne." You are God of the nations and Your Son, Jesus Christ, is the liberator for all people. Father, you have filled us with Your Spirit so that we would love You, our God, with all our hearts, souls and minds and love our neighbors as we love ourselves. We will live out our faith by demonstrating love that meets needs. **Amen.**

Holy Spirit, call forth a great multitude of workers to lift up the Name of Jesus Christ to bring salvation to every nation. Cause leaders to work to eliminate hunger, provide clean drinking water and promote education for the children of the world, especially girls. Help all people turn from evil and do good; and also to seek peace and work to maintain it. Increase Your wisdom, knowledge, and discernment within the leaders of all nations. **Amen.**

Merciful Father, forgive the people of the world for all acts of sinfulness. Forgive the people of the world who turn to other gods instead placing their trust in You. Forgive those in the Body of Christ who yield to pride, division and isolation which destroys our witness to other cultures and nations of the world. We acknowledge that we have grieved Your Holy Spirit and limited Your great power. Holy Spirit, remind all people of those they all need to forgive and help us all to forgive. As for me, Holy Spirit, bring to my remembrance those I need to forgive. Holy Spirit, help us not to yield to temptation but deliver us from the evil one. **Amen.**

Lord, you are the King of Glory. You are the Lord of hosts. You are worthy to receive glory, honor and power, for You created all things good. By Your will, they exist and were created. Holy, holy, holy are You, the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of Your glory. In Jesus' Name, **Amen.**

Seek You Prayer (2 Chronicles 7:14)

Father God, so many things are going wrong in our nation because we have turned from you, and we are doing things that are against your word. We used to revere your name as a nation, but now all we do is worship idols in form of celebrities, the internet, and riches. But Lord, your word says that if we humble ourselves as a nation and seek your face, you will hear from heaven, forgive our sins and heal our land. Father God, act upon your word. Forgive us all our sins, for we have sinned greatly against you. Heal our nation from pain, immorality, fear, and depression. Help us to become great again. In Jesus' name, we believe and pray, **Amen.**

Surrender Prayer (1 Timothy 2:1-2)

Oh Lord, I thank you for this great nation that you've given to us. Lord, help our leaders and all those in authority to become better people spiritually, mentally, and physically so that they may serve the nation effectively. Lord, bless the works of their hands and show them how to lead us in a way that aligns with your word. Touch their hearts that they may spearhead godliness and holiness in this nation. In Jesus' name, we pray, **Amen.**

Your Will Prayer (Matthew 6:10)

Father God, we come before your throne as a nation today to thank you for our beautiful land. Thank you for our leaders and everyone that you have placed in this country. Father, let your will be done in this nation as it is in heaven. May the people that are in leadership run this country according to your will. May we treat each other according to your will Father God. When we stray, Father, forgive us and show us the right way to go. Help us to be a nation that pleases you until the second coming of Christ. In Jesus' name, we pray, **Amen.**

Plans Prayer (Psalms 33:10-11)

Heavenly Father, there are so many plans that people in this nation have made individually and corporately. But Father, your word says that only your plans will stand forever. We know that we are in this nation because you placed us here for such a time as this to accomplish your plans. Lord, let your plans stand forever, and may your purpose for this nation stand firm through all generations. We thank you, and we honor you for without you this nation is nothing. In Jesus' name we pray, **Amen.**

Be Lord Over Us Prayer (Psalms 33:12)

Almighty God, your word says that blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord. But Lord, most of us in this nation are looking up to other things for fulfillment and completeness. Forgive us, dear Lord. Send evangelists from the East, the West, North, and South to come to our land and preach the true gospel of Jesus Christ so that we can know who you are and what your kingdom is all about. Prepare the hearts of those people that do not know you so that when your word is planted in their hearts, they can turn from their wicked ways and worship you the true living God. In Jesus' name, we pray, **Amen.**

Peaceful and Quiet Prayer (1 Timothy 2:1-2)

Lord, you have given us a mandate through your word to pray for everyone and all those that are in authority. we come before your throne this day to surrender our political leaders, those serving in offices, to leaders in our homes and churches into your able hands. Help them to become the leaders that you want them to be, and to put you and the needs of the nation first May, they lead the nation and different institutions in a way that pleases you so that we can live peacefully and quietly. In Jesus' name, we believe and pray, **Amen.**

SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR 3 FAMILIES IN OUR PARISH

Robert Haller and family

Jean Harrington and family

Robert and Peggy Harris and family

SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And 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.

Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know you as you are revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of your love. Amen.

The almighty and merciful Lord, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us and keep us.
Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**