

Welcome to Community Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Thursday Devotions

June 17, 2021

11:45 AM

Adapted from *Take Our Moments and Our Days: An Anabaptist Prayer Book*

Centering Bell

Opening

Your kingdom come.

Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Psalm 103:1–7

My soul, give thanks to the Lord,
all my being, bless God's holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all God's blessings.
It is God who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion,
who fills your life with good things,
renewing your youth like an eagle's.
The Lord does deeds of justice,
gives judgment for all who are oppressed.
The Lord's ways were made known to Moses;
the Lord's deeds to Israel's children.

Thanksgiving

My heart is ready, O God;
I will sing your praise.
Your steadfast love is higher than the heavens,
and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.
The people add their prayers of thanksgiving.
Be exalted, O God, above the heavens,
and let your glory shine over all the earth. Amen.

Call to Discipleship

Jesus said, "Let anyone who has ears to hear listen:
You shall love the Lord your God
with all your heart, and with all your soul,
and will all your strength, and all your mind;
and your neighbor as yourself."
Do this, and you will live.
Lord Jesus, you have the words of eternal life.

Scripture

Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.

Silence is kept.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.
Restore me to the joy of your salvation
and sustain me in a willing spirit. Amen.

God forgives us all our sins and heals all our infirmities. from Psalm 108

God lifts us from the low places and sets mercy and love upon us.

God fills us with goodness and renews our lives.

Thanks be to God.

Intercessions and the Lord's Prayer (using debts)

Rejoice in the Lord always.

The Lord is near.

Do not worry about anything, but in everything with thanksgiving
let your requests be made known to God.

Loving God, we bring our prayers to you as acts of love for you and our neighbors.

In your mercy, Lord, hear our prayer.

Your presence and your reign are already with us. We pray for ourselves and those dear to us.

Silence is kept.

Your kingdom come,

your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Your faithfulness lasts forever. We pray for our community and our neighbors.

Silence is kept.

Your kingdom come,

your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Your people serve you with gladness. We pray for the church in all places.

Silence is kept.

Your kingdom come,

your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Your way is justice and peace. We pray for the world and for all who care for creation.

Silence is kept.

Your kingdom come,

your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

We offer you other concerns we carry in our hearts.

Silence is kept.

Your kingdom come,

your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

God of grace and glory, you keep our souls, satisfying us with living bread and holy work.

Renew us through forgiveness and restore us in rest, that we may look for the coming of your
reign on earth as it is in heaven. Secure in your love, we pray with humility and joy:

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.

Benediction

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing so that we may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Closing

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