

Thanksgiving PRAYER VIGIL 2025

Sit quietly for a moment. Put the cares and concerns of the day aside and concentrate on this time reserved for prayers of thanksgiving. Reflect upon the the blessings for which you are thankful (perhaps even listing those things on this sheet or your phone), reflect of these scriptures, and then pray this prayer (or your own) of thanksgiving. We also invite you to spend some time praying for the names of other Resurrection congregants.

A THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Oh, God, I pause to simply say — thank you! Thank you for everything. Thank you for the ways you bless me - in relationships with others, in moments of worship where I sense your presence, and when your Spirit reminds us that I am never alone.

When I have food, help me remember the hungry.

When I have work, help me remember the jobless.

When I have a warm home, help me remember those without homes.

When I am without pain, help me remember those who suffer.

Thank you for your promise in Christ, that you always walk with us through all circumstances. Help me to reflect your light and love, through my words and actions, so that all might know your love. Once more today, I offer my life to you in the prayer that you have taught.

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, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

COLOSSIANS 3:15-17

The peace of Christ must control your hearts—a peace into which you were called in one body. And be thankful people. The word of Christ must live in you richly; teach and warn each other with all wisdom by singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs. Sing to God with gratitude in your hearts. Whatever you do, whether in speech or action, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus and give thanks to God the Father through him.

PHILIPPIANS 4:6-8

Don't be anxious about anything; rather, bring up all of your requests to God in your prayers and petitions, along with giving thanks. Then the peace of God that exceeds all understanding will keep your hearts and minds safe in Christ Jesus. From now on, brothers and sisters, if anything is excellent and if anything is admirable, focus your thoughts on these things: all that is true, all that is holy, all that is just, all that is pure, all that is lovely, and all that is worthy of praise.

CHRISTMAS 2025

O HOLY NIGHT

ADVENT PRAYERS

Week 1: **HOPE**

Oh Holy Night,
the Night of the Dear
Savior's Birth

This week, we focus on hope. Hope is believing that good things will happen. Sometimes people get sad and they have a hard time believing it will get better. We can help them by being a good friend and reminding them that they are loved.

Pray for:

- Everyone to have friends.
- Loving families for everyone.

Week 2: **PEACE**

Long Lay the World in
Sin and Error Pining

This week, our focus is on peace. Peace is when people get along and are kind to one another. Peace makes you feel calm and happy inside. We can share peace by using kind words and helping others.

Pray for:

- People who are not getting along with loved ones.
- People who are not being treated kindly by others.

Week 3: **JOY**

The Thrill of Hope, a
Weary World Rejoices

Joy is a feeling of great happiness and delight. Sometimes people have a hard time feeling joy. When bad things happen it is easy to forget the good.

Pray for:

- People to see the good things around them
- People going through sad times.

Week 4: **LOVE**

Truly He Taught Us to
Love One Another

Love is mentioned over 500 times in the Bible. Jesus calls us to love our neighbor and to love one another. Sometimes it's easier to think bad things than to see the best in people. At Christmas time, let's focus on loving ourselves, and each other.

Pray for:

- Everyone to know and feel the love of Jesus
- People to care for those in need.