



July 7, 2024

Pastor Notes:

I urge you, first of all, to pray for all people. Ask God to help them; intercede on their behalf, and give thanks for them. Pray this way for kings and all who are in authority so that we can live peaceful and quiet lives marked by godliness and dignity. This is good and pleases God our Savior, who wants everyone to be saved and to understand the truth. 1 Timothy 2:1-4 (NLT2)

“Our Father who is in heaven, hallowed be Your Name, Your Kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven,” this is what Jesus taught and answered when the disciples asked to be taught “how to pray.” Please teach us as well, and on this 4th of July, especially regarding God and country, You and our nation.

Father, by Your will and grace we find ourselves both citizens of Your kingdom even as we live in and are part of this “earthly kingdom,” the United States. You have called us to live with our minds set on the things above even while we live in this world marred by sin, corruption, injustice, idolatry, evil, and death. You have placed us here in this time to be salt and light, to bear testimony of Christ and His kingdom. Please, help us with these responsibilities, even in how we pray.

Father, forgive us, especially when we go astray with what Jesus said needs to be the first thing on our minds and hearts when we pray, You, Your will, Your kingdom. Forgive us when our first allegiance is not to You, when our earthly citizenship is a greater treasure to us than our citizenship in heaven. Forgive us when we are aflame with love for country but apathetic towards what is dear to Your heart, and without passion for loving all people and leading them to a saving knowledge of Christ. Forgive us for loving and caring more about what does not last than for the eternal. Forgive us when we fail to remember that we are called to follow in Jesus’ footsteps, when our own comfort is dearer to us than selfless, sacrificing, Christlike service to everyone. Forgive us when we, or listen to those who, subvert or ignore Your Word to justify what is wrong in our own lives, in our morals, in our politics, and our church/es, and our worship. Oh Lord, we are so prone to worship anything but you, have mercy on us.

Father, how should we pray for our country and its leaders and administrators at this time? You told the Apostle Paul to remind us that praying is the right thing to do when fears, worry and anxiety try to grip our hearts and minds. You have called us to be men and women of faith, hope, and love, who are quick to give thanks, who are filled with the Good News of Christ even in the greatest darkness and stench, always filled with praise and confidence in what You God can do. We thank You today that You gave us freedoms and prosperity that cause people from all over the world to seek refuge and opportunity among us. We thank you for allowing us as a nation to do that which is more blessed – to give. We thank You that there are churches all over our land where You are worshiped, Christ is exalted, the Gospel is preached, and the Bible/Your Word is taught. We thank you for our system of governance, and those who serve us in that capacity. We thank you that we get to pray for leaders and all who are in governing authority, knowing our prayers make a difference. We praise You for allowing us to serve You and Your kingdom here in this land.

Father, You are not blind to the needs of our nation. You see how divided we are, politically, religiously, and morally. You see the evil, the rejection of You, Your ways, and Your decrees. You are grieved by our idolatry, depravity, self-righteousness, greed, self-indulgence, violence, stubbornness, and hubris that leads us to believe that we know what is better than You. You are not blind to the suffering, the unkindness, the lying, the smugness, evil being praised as good, and the me/us first attitude among us. Have mercy on us. We are not deserving of Your forgiveness, kindness, and help, but we are in great need of it. Your word says, “Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a disgrace to *any* people,” our list of sins is shamefully long and our need for practicing collective righteousness as You define it is immense. We need Your mighty hand to work among us, for You to bless us with a spirit of repentance all across our land.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth, in us, in our church, in our community, and our nation, as it is heaven. So please teach us to pray, and let it start with us. Amen!



Lord Hear Our Prayers

PRAYER REQUEST

Patti Littlefield has passed so we are now praying for her family,
Bob Sykes, Steve & Joyce Prinz, Carolyn Jeffers,
Felix Barrera, Amy Watts,
The Hall Family,
VBS 2024 Helpers

SALVATION

Nick, Greg, David, Luke, Skip, Demetrius McCray,
Farney, Peter, Jimmy, Dan, Josiah, Amanda, Jim

Military And Those Serving

Michael Berger, Austin Downing, Noah Martin,
John Michael Chavez, Chris Kelly, Austin Kroeker,
Brian Sula, Thomas Hoffman, Joel Thelen,
Clayton Brown, Jonathan Grinols, Joshua Grabowski,
Christopher Sula, Dylan Briggs

CARD & FLOWER MINISTRY

If you know of anyone who is ill or hospitalized, please let us
know by calling: **Lynnette Barrera** – (559)400-1862 &
Prayer Request e-mail to: **Judy Mahar**
ldpbcprayer@gmail.com

Church Board Members:

Hans Frei - Pastor . Richard Mayes - Head Deacon ,
Sue Kluding, Gabi Cox, Chuck Arndt, Barb Deibler

Please be in prayer for LDPBC VBS.

It will be July 22 - July 26.

BUT, We are praying Now .. that **God** would send many
kids from the community

- During **VBS** .. that all of the children would come to know Jesus as Savior
- After **VBS** .. That they would Share **Jesus** with their families and
- Grow in Grace and Knowledge of the **Lord**.

VBS is an exciting ministry, and every year there are kids who are saved.

We are starting a group to pray daily and if **you** would like to add your name, please let me know by email. It will be daily at 7:30 a.m. You can pray from your home or wherever you are.

See Judy for a **VBS** Prayer Calendar.

Thank You,

Judy Mahar - (**ldpbcprayer@gmail.com**)

July Announcements

Upcoming Events

- Men's Gathering - Tuesdays @ 6:00 P.M.
- Wednesday Night Bible Study for all ages - 7:00 P.M.
- Food Ministry - 1st Wed. & 3rd Tues. @ 9:00 AM - 11:00 A.M.

Happy 4th of July

Fellowship Time Snacks were provided
By - *"Beverly's Class & Youth"*

Thank you

Next week "Merle's Class" is up!!

VBS

**Registration forms are on the table,
in the foyer for
Participants (P) and Volunteers (V) .**

Please take one and return to Jannett or put on her desk in
the office.

**BE TRANSFORMED BY THE
RENEWING OF YOUR MIND.**

Romans 12:2

Giving

June 30, 2024

Offering:
\$1,920.00

Facilities:
\$50.00

VBS:
\$80.00

Books & Material:
\$6.00

Food:
\$20.00

Missions:
\$30.00

Attendance:
68

Weekly Events

Sunday School/Small Groups:

9:00 AM

Sunday Morning Worship Service:

10:30 AM

Sunday Evening Worship Service:

6:00 PM

Tuesday: Men's Gathering: 6:00 PM

1st Wednesday & 3rd Tuesday

Food Ministry:

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Wednesday:

Women's Bible Study - On Hiatus
Bible Study/Small Group - 7:00 PM

Thursday: Chicken Foot - 1:00 PM

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July 8th - July 14th

DAY 1 - 1 Sam. 9-10
(Ecc. 8)

DAY 4 - 1 Sam. 15-16
(Ecc. 11)

DAY 2 - 1 Sam. 11-12
(Ecc. 9)

DAY 5 - 1 Sam. 17-18
(Ecc. 12)

DAY 3 - 1 Sam. 13-14
(Ecc. 10)

DAY 6 - (S. of S. 1)
DAY 7 - (S. of S. 2)

Welcome all of you who are guests with us today. Our desire is for you to relax and be blessed by worship, God's Word, and fellowship. We, the members, have committed ourselves to underwrite the church financially. We do not expect you to contribute to the offering, but you are free to participate. We would like to get to know you and for you to know us better.