



## Kensington Presbyterian Church

### *Hallowin'*

*October 30, 2022*

**WELCOME**, to worship. We are offering a variety of ways for people to gather. We are welcoming people to worship in person (with singing), as well as through Zoom, YouTube, and this printable PDF.<sup>1</sup> If this is how you are worshipping, know that you are not alone... and if you like, you can invite those who live with you to join you, or connect with others through the phone or outside.

If you have any prayer requests, ideas, or just want to talk, please reach out to your elder or Rev. Peter (Peter@Kensingtonchurch.ca)



### *Announcements*

*Clicking on or tapping blue text will take you to a web-site*

**Calendar:** Howie is selling church calendars to raise money for the WMS (Women's Missionary Society). They support a variety of good works. Please talk to him, or Peter, if you're interested. (He's sold 21 sold already!)

**Refreshments:** We are offering refreshments and conversation time after worship. To reduce the spread of germs, we will be serving people - which means we are looking for some people to help serve. If you can help, please speak to Rose or Carol.

**Movie Night:** Friday, Nov 4 @ 6 pm

Monster's Inc: A fun family movie with funny monsters who are invaded by a scary human! Pizza & Popcorn. Please contact Antoinette if you'd like to come.

<sup>1</sup> note: that the footnotes are not as thorough as an academic paper.

**Christmas decorating:** Friday November 18th after 6pm.

Please let Antoinette know if you can help.

**Advent Party:** Saturday November 26th at 12pm.

Come celebrate the start of a new year with crafts, treats and more. Please let Antoinette know if you're coming.

**Choir:** would like you to join them. We practice Sunday at 9:15.

**Jesus & Java:** Join us as we share the joys and questions of faith.

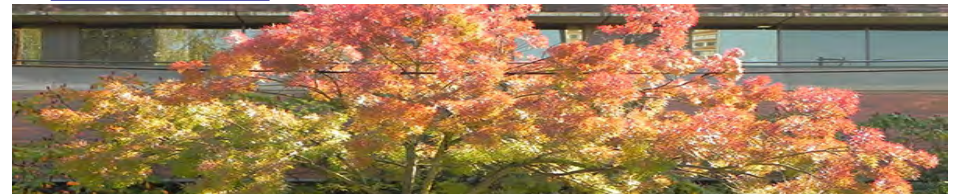
Thursday, 3:30 pm at Maté Latte, 5837 Sherbrooke @ Regent

Thursday, 7 pm at 2<sup>nd</sup> Cup on Monkland

**Drop Box:** We are now accepting food donations to help the St. Monica's Food Pantry, AND items to help the young parents program at Head & Hands (ex. clothing, diapers, toys).

**Christmas Presents:** Are you wondering what to get friends and loved ones who don't really need something more? We're setting up a Giving Tree that will allow you to donate to a ministry of the Presbyterian Church in Canada (including PWS&D and Canada Ministries projects) to a project that you think would be most appreciated by the person you are giving the gift for/to.

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## Approaching God



Lighting of the Christ Candle

Jésus Christ est la lumière du monde.  
Jesus Christ is the light of the world.



Call to worship (Psalm 96:1-2)

Sing to the LORD a new song;

**sing to the LORD, all the earth.**

Sing to the LORD, praise his name;

**proclaim his salvation day after day.**

♪ Hymn: Jesus, thou joy of loving hearts.....pg 10 (366)

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZOowC2k0thc](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZOowC2k0thc)

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=jeuOeC3zrhM](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jeuOeC3zrhM) (nice alternate



Trust in the Lord - Ivan Guaderrama



Prayer of Approach

Most Holy God,

we take this moment to pause, and wonder, and bless.

Your greatness balanced by Your nearness.

Your judgment balanced by Your mercy.

How we should praise You!

We call You our King, our Saviour, our Inspiration, our Friend.

Too often we rush by and fail to take that time

to marvel at how amazing you are

and how wonderful all that you do is.

This day, Lord, we sing Your praises!

This day, Lord, we rejoice in Your generosity!

This day, Lord, we are glad You continue to reach out to us,  
even us, with love.

Forgiving God,

it does not take us long to stumble from the high peak of praise,  
to the low valley of brokenness.

Help us Jesus to forgive others;

to let go what is holding us back from living your way.

and Help us to be aware of our sins.

The big flaws,

and the little ones that trip us up daily.

Forgive us the hasty word, the harsh thought,

the too-easy judgment, the spiteful action.

Why, with all the potential You have knitted into our souls,

do we, so easily, slip into bad habit, shameful action,

unhealthy obsession, lazy forgetfulness?

O gracious God, have mercy on us.  
 Forgive us, remake us, redeem us, restore us.  
 When all seems lost beyond hope;  
 still You reach out in tenderness and kindness  
 to make that difference in our hearts and souls and minds,  
 to rebuild the broken relationship,  
 to give us another chance.  
 Thank you Jesus, our Lord.  
 Amen<sup>2</sup>



### *Listening to God*

#### ✧ Children's story

Tomorrow is Halloween. It's called this because it's about hallowing people. Do you know what that means?

...hallow means to honour or respect someone - to recognize them as special.

Halloween comes just before All Saints Day - when we remember people who have died. Think of a person, who has died, who was really special - who you respect. (it could be anyone, or everyone... but think of individuals)

Who is it?

How do you honour them or show your respect?

Every week we say a prayer we call *The Lord's Prayer*, and it has a line 'Hallowed be your name.' This is about honouring and respecting God. What are some ways we can do that?

<sup>2</sup> adapted from a prayer by Rev. Derek Browning, Minister of Morningside Parish Church, Edinburgh  
[www.churchofscotland.org.uk/worship/weekly-worship/monthly/july-2022/24th-july-7th-sunday-after-pentecost#prayers](http://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/worship/weekly-worship/monthly/july-2022/24th-july-7th-sunday-after-pentecost#prayers)

Dear Jesus,  
 Help us to remember great people who have lived before us;  
 to celebrate them, and carry on what they did.  
 and help us to hallow you as well.  
 Amen.



♪ Hymn: Prayer is the soul's sincere desire.....pg 11 (660)  
[www.youtube.com/watch?v=zD2tZu7GkO8](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zD2tZu7GkO8) (tune with intro)



Prayer for Illumination (based on Psalm 85:8)

Lord God,  
 help us turn our hearts to you  
 and hear what you will speak,  
 for you speak peace to your people  
 through Christ, our Lord.  
 Amen.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>3</sup> Worship Sourcebook 3.1.4



## ✧ Intro to the readings

- Proverbs is a collection of wise sayings. Earlier in the book it's like somebody dropped all the verses on the ground and the swept them up again. These ones relate to each other - and us.
- Luke is giving us some famous passages. What stands out for you this time?
- Psalm: There's obviously things going on in the writer's life. Where is the focus?



Reading: Please look up the passages in your own Bible,<sup>4</sup> or click on the name to be taken to an online version.

[Proverbs 30](#): 7-9

[Luke 11](#): 1-13

[Psalm 138](#)



## Sermon: Hallowin'

*Dear Lord, please bless these words  
and the meditations of our hearts. Amen.*

It's that Halloween time of year again.

What's this mean for you?

In Germany there is controversy as some companies are trying to encourage a North American celebration with scary costumes & an overabundance of candy. The controversy is that this is a traditional time to remember the dead - in a sedate and serious way. To go to their graves and tidy up, leave flowers, and share stories. The North American 'give me candy' hits many as highly disrespectful.

It's a good reminder. If you trace back our tradition there used

to be an aspect of 'hallowing' on 'all hallowed eve'.



This year as I was reading our passage from Luke the line that stuck out was the one about 'hallowed be thy name' - and it was reinforced by my readings.

There's two parts to this. God's name, and the hallowing.

A name represents or describes someone or something. The tricky thing is that God is so vast and complicated that any name we could say doesn't come close to describing the Almighty. It'd be like trying to build a box to put God in - impossible. That's okay, we don't need the name. The word isn't what we're hallowing - it's God. While God is hard to sum up, we do have glimpses of what God is like.

For starters, God is the creator, the originator, the all powerful Lord of everything, the one who has a caring & loving relationship with you - like the better example of a father than you can imagine. ...and is like that for everyone ...and everything. God is willing to go to the cross for people - as one of the criminals being executed with him recognized and received the peace of Christ. Like the wind, she's hard to see most of the time, but we refer to God's continued activity as the Holy Spirit - all

<sup>4</sup> If you'd like a new Bible with helpful notes, I recommend the 'Life with God Bible' NRSV from Renovaré. ISBN 0061834963  
or for the more academically inclined, The New Oxford Study Bible NRSV

glimpses of God.

How do we hallow God's name?

I have a commentary on *Luke* by Justo González. He suggests that the whole Lord's Prayer is tied into the line, "*hallowed be thy name.*"



The Last Supper - Ovide Bighetty

After that line comes, "*Your Kingdom come.*" You could think of this as wanting to live in a good place, or in a place where

everything is made right. This is true, but what if we think of it from the point of view of the previous line. How does praying "*Your Kingdom come*" honour and respect God? We're respecting God by looking for God's way to become the way the world works. Wanting this to happen shows that we trust God - that we believe God's way is the best way. We can act this out in various ways. The biggest is through prayer, and focusing on God.

The idea of focusing on God is a good link to the next line, "*Give us each day our daily bread.*" This can be about so much more than just having some bread on the table.

For starters, this is about our daily needs. That could be bread, or rice, or a warm place to live. It even includes knowing you are precious and loved. 'Give us each day what we need.'

It starts with 'give'. This is what God does. It's not a payment. We don't receive this because we earn it. We don't trick God out of it. We are offered our daily needs.

The 'daily' part reminds González of Proverbs 30.

*give me neither poverty nor riches;  
feed me with the food that I need,  
lest I be full and deny you  
and say, "Who is the Lord?"  
or I be poor and steal  
and profane the name of my God."*

If God gives us so much we never needed to worry, then we might forget that what we have was given by God. Not recognizing God's gracious gifts is not respecting God - not hallowing God. Can you imagine that?

If God doesn't give us enough, then we will have to resort to stealing or hoarding. As God followers, this will make God look bad. This also doesn't hallow God's name.

Of course, there's the trouble defining what is enough. This week someone was telling me about members of their family that couldn't understand not being able to afford lots of fresh vegetables. What's enough? I also heard about advice someone was given about not bothering with crazy church stuff, but to go shopping instead. What's enough? What is it that we really need?

I wonder if the parable after the prayer sheds light on this. A friend shows up late and is hungry. You don't have any bread so you go to another friend and ask for some. Reluctantly, they get out of bed and help out. Is this how it works? Instead of worrying about our own need for bread, our prayers are answered by focusing on others having what they need?

González writes that when we ask on behalf of others, instead of ourselves, "*we are given; when on that basis we search, we shall find; when on that basis we knock, the door will be opened.*" Jesus showed us that the great leader is one who serves others. This is hallowing God's name.



Wondrous Love - Linda Witte Henke

The next two lines are about forgiveness.

"*Forgive us our sins*". This is rather obvious. When we sin we dishonour God. When we sin we break, betray, our relationship with not only the Lord of lords, but also our Father. Like every relationship, when there's a break it needs forgiveness to mend it, and so we ask, "*Forgive us our sins*".

Did you notice the difference between what's in Luke and what we usually say in the prayer? It's not "*as we forgive others*", but "*for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.*" This helps distance it from any idea that you need to earn God's forgiveness. There's another change from what is normally said. Usually people say debts and debtors, or sin and sinners, or trespasses and trespassers. We use the same word both times. In Luke it's our sins, and their debts. This makes sense with the 'daily bread' line. If we have our basic needs looked after, then we don't need whatever they owe us. And, if we focus on how they are in debt with us then we are not focused on God. If you're not focused on God, then how can you be looking for "*Your kingdom come*" ...and you're not hallowing God's name.

Now, I don't think any of us are bankers, but debts still apply. It applies to more than money, just as bread means more than bread. We even use it in our vocabulary. You can talk about somebody owing you an apology. I know an example where someone feels this. Sadly, the other person is unaware, except that they don't talk anymore. It's a broken relationship because one person is focused on how they feel wronged. You can probably think of legitimate grievances with people, but even then, if you become obsessed your grievance then you're not hallowing God.

The last part of the prayer Jesus offers here in Luke is "*And do*



*not bring us to the time of trial.*" We can pray this because we don't want to have any challenges in life. However, with the perspective of 'hallowing God' the focus shifts away from us. We don't want to let God down, so we ask not to be faced with a 'time of trial'. It's probably because we're afraid of being overwhelmed. Honestly, it's not terribly realistic. All the big people in the Bible face a time of trial. Jesus goes into the wilderness and has a 'time of trial'... but isn't overwhelmed. Moses and David also had times of trial - and sometimes their actions made God look bad - just as kids can make their parents look bad. But this is where asking for forgiveness comes in. Still, it's okay to pray "*And do not bring us to the time of trial.*"

What about the rest? "*For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours - now and forever.*" Well, it's not from Luke. The Lord's Prayer is also found in Matthew, and it's not there either. There's a document referred to as the Didache that was likely written in the first century. It contains this blessing on the end of the Lord's Prayer. So, while it's not part of the prayer in the Bible, it's been said with the prayer since the early church. It can also fit with recognizing God - and hallowing God.



Embrace - C Austa

Another piece of wisdom from the Didache: say it three times daily. It's like a doctor's prescription for healthy living. Take this prayer, and say it... lots. Be shaped by it. Let it focus you, all day long, on '*Our Father, who is in Heaven. Hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial.*'"

To God be all the glory  
Amen.



## Responding to God

♪ Hymn: O God, our Father in heaven.....pg 11 (789)  
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[www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ti8x8qfZ6tl](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ti8x8qfZ6tl) (choir)

💬 FaithTalk: These are some questions for you to discuss with somebody... or many somebodies. Do what you feel safe (and practice stretching a little).

Memories: How far back do you remember the Lord's Prayer?  
Sunday School? School? Church? Home?

Values: How does saying or singing the Lord's Prayer make you feel?

Values: Is the Lord's Prayer important to you? Can you describe why?

Actions: The two places the Lord's Prayer is in the Bible it's not the same. If it's more about ideas than specific words... what's it about? Try to write your version.

Prayer: As the Didache suggests, try saying the Lord's Prayer three times a day this week (maybe with meals).

## ✧ Spirit Sightings

When the war in Ukraine started, Irina's family was torn apart. Her husband joined the territorial defence force to serve his country, while Irina and their two children sought refuge at her parents' house. The sound of bombs exploding nearby made it clear that the situation was still unsafe, and Irina determined to find a safer place for her family.



On their way to the evacuation point, bombs started falling on the settlement. Irina was fortunate to see a convoy of cars passing by, which her family hastily joined. Eventually, they were able to catch a train to western Lviv, where they found safe shelter at a refugee centre run by Hungarian Interchurch Aid through the ACT Alliance, supported by Presbyterian World Service & Development.

## ✧ Offering

Financially, we have set up a donation option on our **website**. Just click the '**Donate Now**' button, and then the pretty button. It gives you various options that are easy to follow.

You can now donate through **interac e-transfer**. Our name is Kensington Presbyterian Church and the e-mail address is [info@kensingtonchurch.ca](mailto:info@kensingtonchurch.ca).

Mailing a cheque or signing up for Pre-Authorized Remittance (**PAR**) are also good options.

## 🧎 Prayers of the people<sup>5</sup>

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name.**

Help us to really know you,  
to bless, worship, and praise you  
for all your works  
and for all that shines forth from them:  
your almighty power, wisdom, kindness,  
justice, mercy, and truth.

Help us to direct all our living—  
what we think, say, and do—  
so that your name will never be blasphemed because of us  
but always honoured and praised.

**Your kingdom come.**

Rule us by your Word and Spirit in such a way  
that more and more we submit to you.

Keep your church strong, and add to it.

Destroy the devil's work;  
destroy every force that revolts against you  
and every conspiracy against your Word.

Do this until your kingdom is so complete and perfect  
that in it you are all in all.

**Your will be done on earth as in heaven.**

Help us and all people  
to embrace the good desires the your Spirit brings out in us  
and to obey your will without any back talk.

Your will alone is good.

Help us one and all to carry out the work we are called to,  
as willingly and faithfully as the angels in heaven.

<sup>5</sup> adapted from *Worship Sourcebook* 4.4.11 (with many references to the Heidelberg Catechism)



**Give us today our daily bread.**

Do take care of all our needs  
so that we come to know  
that you are the only source of everything good,  
and that neither our work and worry  
nor your gifts  
can do us any good without your blessing.  
And so help us to give up our trust in creatures  
and to put trust in you alone.

**Forgive us our debts,  
as we also have forgiven our debtors.**

Do not hold against us, poor sinners that we are,  
any of the sins we do  
or the evil that constantly clings to us.  
Forgive us, just as we are fully determined,  
as evidence of your grace in us,  
to forgive our neighbours.

**And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from the evil one.**

By ourselves we are too weak  
to hold our own.  
And our sworn enemies—  
the devil, the world, and our own flesh—  
never stop attacking us.  
And so, Lord,  
uphold us and make us strong  
with the strength of your Holy Spirit,  
so that we may not go down to defeat  
in this spiritual struggle,

but may firmly resist our enemies  
until we finally win the complete victory.

**For yours is the kingdom and the power  
and the glory forever.**

We have made all these requests of you  
because, as our all-powerful King,  
you not only want to,  
but are able to give us all that is good;  
and because your holy name,  
and not we ourselves,  
should receive all the praise, forever.  
It is even more sure that you listen to our prayer,  
than that we really desire what we pray for.

**Amen.**

♪ Hymn: Lord of Light, Whose Name and Splendor.....pg 12 (769)  
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✦ Benediction

*The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit  
be with you all.  
Amen*



## Jesus, thou joy of loving hearts

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Chords: D, Em, 6, D, A/C#, E7/B, A

1. Je - sus, thou joy of lov - ing hearts,  
 2. Thy truth un - changed hath ev - er stood;  
 3. We taste thee, O thou liv - ing bread,  
 4. For thee our rest - less spir - its yearn  
 5. O Je - sus, al - ways with us stay;

Chords: A, A7/C#, Dsus2 - 1, Bm, E7, A

thou fount, thou light for all to see:  
 thou sav - est those that on thee call;  
 and long to feast up - on thee still;  
 wher - e'er our change - ful lot is cast,  
 make all our mo - ments calm and bright;

Chords: A, (Bm/A), A/G, Dsus/G, D/F#, A7/E, Dmaj7, A/C#, G/B, A7/C#

from the best bliss that earth im - parts  
 to those who seek thee thou art good;  
 we drink of thee, the foun - tain - head;  
 glad when thy grac - ious smile we see,  
 chase the dark night of sin a - way;

Chords: D, A7, Bm, Em, 6, D, G6, A, D

we turn un - filled a - gain to thee.  
 to those who find thee, all in all.  
 and thirst our souls from thee to fill.  
 blest when our faith can hold thee fast.  
 shed o'er the world thy ho - ly light.

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## 660 Prayer is the soul's sincere desire



1. Prayer is the soul's sin - cere de - sire, ut - tered or un - ex - pressed,
2. Prayer is the sim - plest form of speech that in - fant lips can try,
3. Prayer is the con - trite sin - ners' voice, re - turn - ing to the way,
4. Prayer is the Chris - tian's vi - tal breath, the Chris - tian's na - tive air;
5. O thou, by whom we come to God, the Life, the Truth, the Way,



the mo - tion of a hid - den fire, that trem - bles in the breast.  
 prayer the sub - lim - est strains that reach the Maj - es - ty on high.  
 while an - gel's in their songs re - joice, and cry, "Be - hold, they pray."  
 our watch - word at the gates of death, we en - ter heaven with prayer.  
 the path of prayer thy - self hast trod: Lord, teach us how to pray.

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## 789 O God, our Father in heaven

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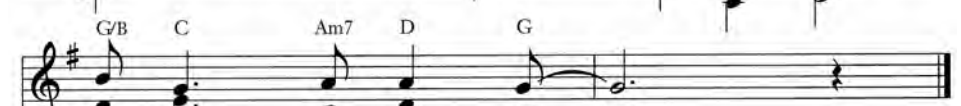
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1. O God, our Fa - ther in heav - en;
2. on earth as it is in heav - en,
3. For - give us our sins, hal - lowed be your name,
4. Save us from the time of tri - al,
5. For the king - dom, the power and the glo - ry,



your king - dom come, your will be done,  
 give us to - day our dai - ly bread,  
 as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us,  
 and de - liv - er us from e - vil,  
 are yours now and for - ev - er, a - men,



hal - lowed be your name.



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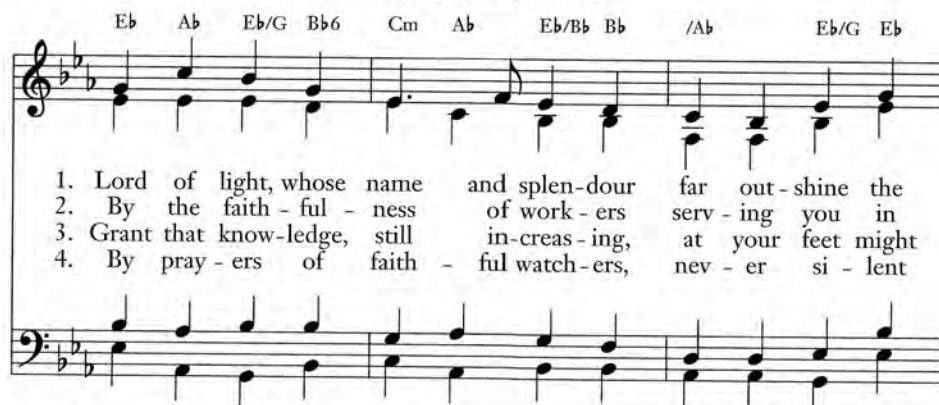
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# 769 Lord of light, whose name and splendour

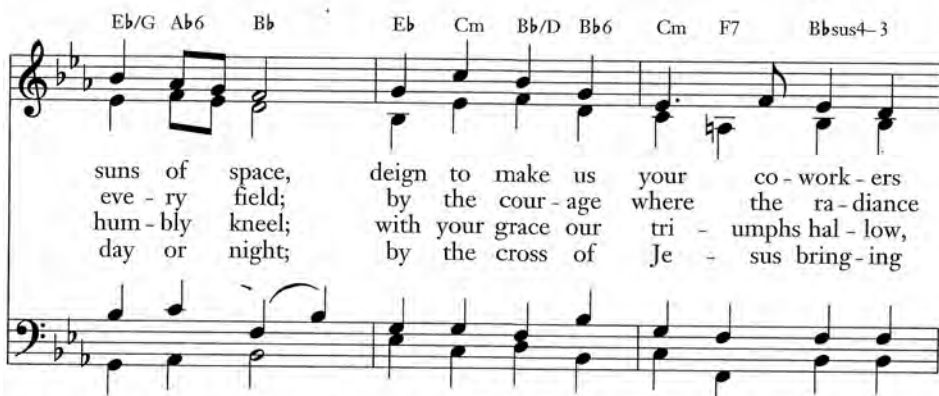
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1. Lord of light, whose name and splen-dour far out-shine the  
 2. By the faith-ful-ness of work-ers serv-ing you in  
 3. Grant that know-ledge, still in-creas-ing, at your feet might  
 4. By pray-ers of faith-ful watch-ers, nev-er si-lent

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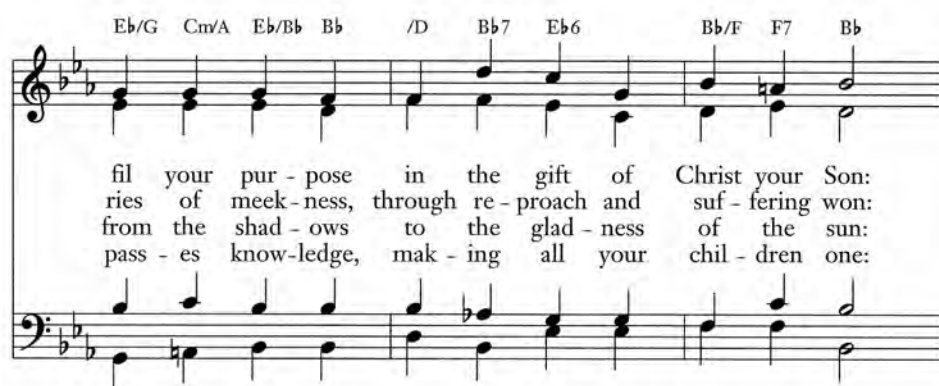
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 eve-ry field; by the cour-age where the ra-diance  
 hum-bly kneel; with your grace our tri-umphs hal-low,  
 day or night; by the cross of Je-sus bring-ing

B<sup>b</sup>/A<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup>/G A<sup>b</sup>/C E<sup>b</sup>/B<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup>7 E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> /D F<sup>sus</sup>4-3



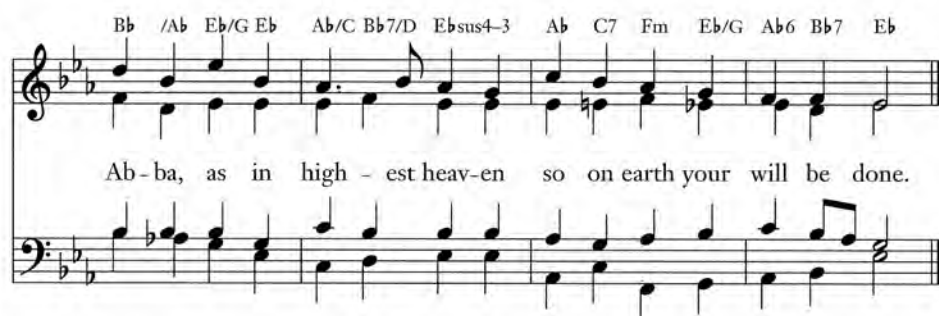
in the king-dom of your grace; use us to ful-  
 of the cross is still re-vealed; by the vic-to-  
 with your char-i-ty our zeal; lift all na-tions  
 peace to all, and heal-ing light; by the love that

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fil your pur-pose in the gift of Christ your Son:  
 ries of meek-ness, through re-proach and suf-fering won:  
 from the shad-ows to the glad-ness of the sun:  
 pass-es know-ledge, mak-ing all your chil-dren one:

B<sup>b</sup> /A<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup>/G E<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup>/C B<sup>b</sup>7/D E<sup>b</sup>sus4-3 A<sup>b</sup> C7 F<sup>m</sup> E<sup>b</sup>/G A<sup>b</sup>6 B<sup>b</sup>7 E<sup>b</sup>



Ab-ba, as in high-est heav-en so on earth your will be done.

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**When the war in Ukraine started, Irina's family was torn apart.** Her husband joined the territorial defence force to serve his country, while Irina and their two children sought refuge at her parents' house. The sound of bombs exploding nearby made it clear that the situation was still unsafe, and Irina determined to find a safer place for her family. On their way to the evacuation point, bombs started falling on the settlement. Irina was fortunate to see a convoy of cars passing by, which her family hastily joined. Eventually, they were able to catch a train to western Lviv, where they found safe shelter at a refugee centre run by Hungarian Interchurch Aid through the ACT Alliance, supported by Presbyterian World Service & Development.



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DAILY PRAYERS

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**Sunday, October 30** We pray for peace, and we give thanks for the life-saving support Presbyterian World Service & Development partners are providing to families suffering the terrifying consequences of war in Ukraine.

**Monday, October 31 (Reformation Day)** Strengthen our hearts, O God; make them eager to serve you and your purposes. Trouble us with the smallness of our vision and awaken us to the greatness of your glory and the breadth of your grace.

**Tuesday, November 1 (All Saints Day)** We thank God for knitting us into one fellowship; for the people who have gone ahead of us in the faith and who loved us, formed our faith and served God with joy and grace.

**Wednesday, November 2** We pray for the people of the Vindhya-Satpura region in India—known as the Bhil Field—who will be celebrating a 125-year relationship with the PCC, and we ask for God's blessing on Pauline Brown as she continues to live in India and serve the people she calls her family in Christ.

**Thursday, November 3** We pray for the members of the Committee on Education and Reception as they meet this week with candidates and ministers who have applied to be received into The Presbyterian Church in Canada.

**Friday, November 4** As the days grow shorter and colder, we pray for the homeless and underhoused and give thanks for those who provide shelter, food and friendship.

**Saturday, November 5** We pray for the people who gather and serve at Winnipeg Inner City Missions in Manitoba, and we give thanks for their ministry.



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