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THE GRAPEVINE 6/3/2022

PRAYER PROCESS – (Rev DJP summary of R.Wick, p 118 ff)

1. *Take out some time to sit quietly with the LORD*
 - This must not be left over time: it needs to be important time... there must be patience and a willingness to listen.
2. *Sit quietly each day:*
 - “God hears the silent language of love.”
 - Love can mean intimacy with God...
 - How might you “feel” or “name that?”
 - Gratefulness, compassion for others?
3. *Begin with a few lines of scripture.*
 - Pick a Bible translation that is easy to read or choose alternate versions to expand connection points.
 - Or you could read the same scripture 3 times out loud, to invite different words to emerge.
4. *Spend time with the Lord.*
 - Choose an area where you are comfortable, removed from others, even a regular or specific location.
 - Generate the habit.

UNREALISTIC EXPECTATIONS

Expecting to hear the voice of the Lord in the first minute or have some mystical experience every time in itself can be distracting. Avoid this anxiety and just be present and focussed in the NOW.

DISTRACTIONS

Being critical of ourselves by saying, “I have spent 19 out of 20 minutes thinking of everything under the sun and only 1 min on the Lord. When the reality is we have spent 20 mins with the Lord and only remembered 1 min. How do our distractions shape our prayers?”

PRAYER “is the furnace in which... transformation takes place”,
a place where our Nicodemus’ confusion “**how can we be born again**” is revealed through spending time in prayer with the Lord.
(See Lent week 4 for more material.).

❖ **OUR VISION:**

To be a vibrant, growing community of Faith.

❖ **OUR MISSION:**

*To reach out and reflect God's Love –
connecting others to Christ.*

GROUPS & DATES for LENTEN STUDIES:

THURSDAY 4-5PM

LEADER: Rev DJPrior

WHERE: The Vines UC



DATES:

THEMES:

Wk #1	10 March	RELATIONSHIPS
Wk #2	17 March	THEIR PAIN, OUR FEARS
Wk #3	24 March	IDOLS, ANXIETIES & LETTING GO
Wk #4	27 March	EXPERIENCING THE LORD
Wk #5	03 April	IN THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD

NOTE: The Studies will be emailed as an attachment for your devotional reading.

Please join in prayer:

A Prayer for Ukraine

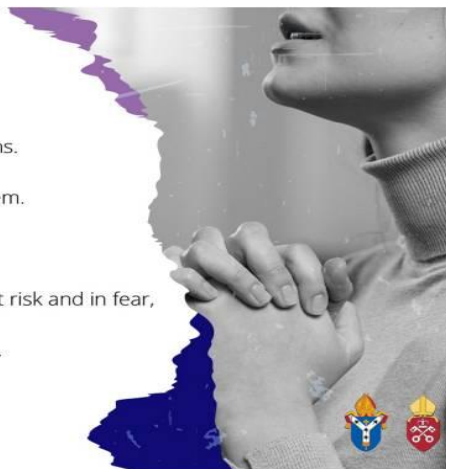
God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion
to guide their decisions.

Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,
that you would hold and protect them.

We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

Amen.

Archbishop Justin Welby
Archbishop Stephen Cottrell



CAN YOU PLEASE HELP?

We are urgently in need of more people to help as Covid Marshalls on Sunday mornings.

Obtaining a Covid Marshall certificate is a very simple process on the SA Gov. website: *"Complete COVID Marshall online training"*. It doesn't take long.

Once you have received your certificate would you please give a copy to Colleen for filing in the office.

Thanks!

Samaritans Purse THANK YOU

We would like to express our sincere appreciation for your wonderful and generous support of Operation Christmas Child 2021.

It has been with the help of people like you that over 19,400 shoe box gifts were collected in South Australia.....& all went to Cambodia.

Other Australian shoe box destinations were Vietnam, Thailand, Samoa, Fiji and Papua New Guinea.

Thank you for joining with us to share the love of Jesus Christ.

God bless you all,

Debbie Cowell

FOOD PARCEL MINISTRY

Thank you for your continued support for this ministry.

This week we need the following items:

Cereal,

Tea/Coffee

Spreads/Jam

Tinned Vegetables

Tinned Fruit

Toiletries.

Or a donation marked "Food Parcel Ministry"

Again, we thank you and may God bless you

Leon and the Pastoral Team

Next week:

LENTEN STUDIES

Their Pain - Our Fears

LIVE STREAMED WORSHIP SERVICES

Each Sunday our worship services at the Vines can be accessed live at 9:30am via our YouTube channel. Please use the following link to access our services,

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=the+vines+uniting+church

After the livestream, each service will remain on our YouTube channel for watching later. They can be accessed using the same link.

Remember OUR key MESSAGE:

Connect with others and CHOOSE LIFE

'Cos to Grow stronger through COVID

We have to pass on God's love.



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