

Pastor Call Team

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PRAYER GUIDE

In any community, as in our individual lives, there are seasons of change. These changes bring both joy and pain (along with many other emotions) but in all circumstances they can be used to bring glory and honor to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

In Isaiah 43:19a the Lord tells us, *“Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?”*

These words hold a promise for the future. It is one of anticipation and excitement. It is a promise that Jesus is in control, and He is calling His people to let Him lead.

All we need to do is be obedient and follow Him and He will take care of us.

The Call Team continues to pray earnestly for Jesus to send His chosen servant to shepherd us at All Saints. Please continue to pray with us during this important and exciting time.

Yours in Christ,

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Day 61 November 1, 2018

I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry. 2 Timothy 4:1-5

Pray that God would build upon our history of pastors who not only are outstanding preachers but who unflinchingly present the truth of God's Word and consistently bring us to the good news of Jesus Christ.

Day 62 November 2, 2018

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.” Revelation 7:12

Heavenly Father, if only I could come up with words to adequately describe Your worthiness. I pray that my gratefulness and silent awe is pleasing to You. Amen

Day 63 November 3, 2018

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights! Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts! Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars! Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens! Let them praise the name of the LORD! For he commanded and they were created. Psalm 148:1-5

Gracious God, all of creation praises Your name. Angels, shining stars, the sun and the moon – everything from the depths of the oceans to the highest heavens join the unending song. Let everything praise Your name, for Your name alone is exalted; Your glory is above heaven and earth. Amen

Day 64 November 4, 2018

I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus.

Philippians 1:3-8

Pray that God would give our next pastor a love for our church and the strength he and his family need to leave their former congregation.

Day 65 November 5, 2018

I will praise the name of God with a song; I will magnify him with thanksgiving. Psalm 69:30

Holy God, Almighty and Majestic King, You are worthy of all honor and praise. You have done wonderful and mighty things. You have poured out Your blessings upon me. You have kept Your promises and provided me with the way of salvation. Please empower and strengthen me as I commit myself to bless, serve, and encourage others for Your glory. Amen

Day 66 November 6, 2018

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. Psalm 103:1-5

Heavenly Father, many times I am more likely to pay attention to all of the static and noise of this world, with all of the doubts, confusion, and worries, and the plans, joys, and hopes. Help me to quiet the competing voices and teach me to simply speak to my soul and say, "Bless the Lord, O my soul...." Help me keep my eyes on You and remember Your faithfulness. Amen

Day 67 November 7, 2018

And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God. May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. Colossians 1:9-12

Pray for our next pastor's family. Pray that God would strengthen and guide the new pastor's family as they are led to ministry at All Saints.

Day 68 November 8, 2018

I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call on the name of the Lord. Psalm 116:17

God, everywhere I turn there are signs and wonders of You. Everything I see is a reminder of Your care for me. All of it is a gift from You to me. Thank You seems so small compared to You. Let my "thank you" grow to be not something that I say, but who I am. Amen

Day 69 November 9, 2018

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering and come before him! Worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness. 1 Chronicles 16:29

Dear Lord, wise men followed a star to find You, so that they could bow down and worship You, and give You an offering precious to the way they think. Let me start each new day offering my heart to You, precious Savior. Amen

Day 70 November 10, 2018

Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality. Romans 12:9-13

Pray that God would use the trials and blessings our next pastor is currently experiencing to equip him to shepherd our flock.

Day 71 November 11, 2018

Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth. Isaiah 12:5

God, I cannot help but sing praises to You. There is no beginning or end to Your wonders but there is one that my mind rests on again and again: when You gave Your Son to die for me. I will

share this great truth of love with others so that “this might be known in all the earth.” Amen

Day 72 November 12, 2018

The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake! The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples. Let them praise your great and awesome name! Holy is he! The King in his might loves justice. You have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob. Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his footstool! Holy is he! Psalm 99:1-5

Most merciful God, we confess that we do not really know what justice is, and so we tremble when we think of what Your justice looks like. Teach us to act justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with You. Amen

Day 73 November 13, 2018

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. Romans 12:1-2

Pray for the future pastor and his family to have absolute certainty in their sense of calling to All Saints. That God speaks loudly for them to know God’s direction.

Day 74 November 14, 2018

But we your people, the sheep of your pasture, will give thanks to you forever; from generation to generation we will recount your praise.

Psalm 79:13

O LORD, may our praises be as continuous as You have been faithful. Just as You were there for our ancestors and our parents, so will You be here for me and my offspring. I trust in You and Your merciful grace. Amen

Day 75 November 15, 2018

As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, saying, “Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!” Luke 19:37-38

Almighty God, some in the crowd that day told Your Son to make His followers be quiet, but He responded that if they were silent, the stones themselves would cry out. Hallelujah! Let our community at All Saints be one whose praises of Jesus resound throughout our community and beyond. Amen

Day 76 November 16, 2018

But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong. 2 Corinthians 12:9-10

Pray for God’s strength and guidance in the pastor’s former church. Pray that those with whom he is currently ministering would trust God’s plan for His servant in leading him to a new congregation.

Day 77 November 17, 2018

It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name, O Most High; to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night. Psalm 92:1-2

Holy God, it is not only our duty to give thanks and to sing praises to You, it is also our delight. And we know it is also good for us! As we bring ourselves to You in worship, fill us with Your Holy Spirit to strengthen us for Your service. Amen

Day 78 November 18, 2018

Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted; his majesty is above earth and heaven. Psalm 148:13

Majestic God, Your power and might are beyond my understanding. I am created; You are Creator of everything that is, was, or ever will be. You are a mystery! I will spend my life marveling in You! Amen

Day 79 November 19, 2018

Where there is no prophetic vision the people cast off restraint, but blessed is he who keeps the law. Proverbs 29:18

Pray that the new pastor will gain through word and study a clear vision for how to minister to the people of All Saints and the community we serve.

Day 80 November 20, 2018

I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. Psalm 118:21-23

Dear Jesus, our beloved Cornerstone! Walk with us each day and remind us to build our house on You. Amen

Day 81 November 21, 2018

Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol him, all peoples! For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD! Psalm 117:1-2

Dear God, thank You for Your everlasting faithfulness. I know that I can depend on You through all circumstances because You are a God who cares for His creatures. I praise You! Amen

Day 82 November 22, 2018

And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you.

Luke 12:25-31

Pray that the new pastor will be able to smoothly transition to our church. Provide comfort and peace for him and his family in the midst of this change. Bless them with many new friends to welcome them. Provide them all that is needed for a smooth

transition for housing, schooling, and all the things that must be settled upon when moving to a new area.

Day 83 November 23, 2018

He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not. Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. Isaiah 53:3-4

Dear Father, we have prepared a room in our hearts for Jesus this season. Guide us to the areas of our lives where we need to let Him enter more deeply. Amen

Day 84 November 24, 2018

And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!" Luke 2:8-14

Dear Lord, yes, this is what Christmas is all about. It is about You and the news of Your gift of salvation. It is finding the miraculous in unexpected places. It is about changing the whole world and changing my heart. Neither will ever be the same again. As we prepare for this Advent season, we thank You for coming. Amen.

Day 85 November 25, 2018

*Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!
It is like the precious oil on the head running down on the beard,
on the beard of Aaron, running down on the collar of his robes! It
is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion!
For there the LORD has commanded the blessing, life
forevermore. Psalm 133:1-3*

Pray that the new Pastor will be able to work effectively with the Executive Leadership Team, the Preschool and Church Staff and the people serving at All Saints.

Day 86 November 26, 2018

“...To you, O God of my fathers, I give thanks and praise, for you have given me wisdom and might, and have now made known to me what we asked of you, for you have made known to us the king's matter.” Daniel 2:23

Dear God, we rely on Your promises and thank You for guiding us as we seek Your will. Amen

Day 87 November 27, 2018

Then I looked, and I heard ... the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"
Revelation 5:11-12

Dear Jesus, You are certainly worthy of my honor, glory, and blessing! I adore You and worship You for what You have done for me. Thank You, Jesus. Amen

Day 88 November 28, 2018

This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success. Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:8-9

Pray that God would protect the new pastor's heart as he prepares to leave his current place of ministry. Pray that the stresses of moving, balancing time with family and meeting new people will not interfere with the time he needs to continually develop his personal relationship with our Heavenly Father.

Day 89 November 29, 2018

Praise the LORD! Blessed is the man who fears the LORD, who greatly delights in his commandments! Psalm 112:1

Dear Father, why is it that sometimes it takes the consequences of my sins to understand that Your commandments were made to keep me safe from harm. Thank You for giving me Your Word to follow. Amen

Day 90 November 30, 2018

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Colossians 3:12-17

Pray, above all, that God's will is done through the entire process of finding a new pastor for All Saints. Pray that the Holy Spirit will give everyone involved in this process wisdom and peace. Pray that God will show us clearly whom He is calling to serve amongst us at All Saints.