

Prairieland Parish

As we unite in worship today, we extend a warm welcome to each one present.
May we together experience the presence of God

We Gather to Prepare Our Hearts to Meet Our Lord



Prelude
Welcome
Announcements

Opening Meditation

What does it mean to think and act like a Christian? The key is to have a Kingdom Mindset – a way of thinking that recognizes God’s hand on your life. When we pattern our lives from the verses we will read in Philippians today, we encounter the peace of God and the God of peace.

So let us gather with Thanksgiving in our hearts, joy in our minds and peace in our soul this day as we unite in our call to worship.

Call to Worship

The world is filled with the glory of God, and we say,

Thank you!

The hills and valleys are filled with color, and we say,

Thank you!

The vines and trees are filled with fruit, and we say,

Thank you!

Our tables are overflowing with food, and we say,

Thank you!

Our life is filled with love of family and friends, and we say,

Thank you!

We fill this house of God with our voices, saying,

Thank you!

May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable to you, O God, as enter into this service of thanksgiving and praise.

Opening Prayer

What mighty praise belongs to You, O God, for Your acts of love and faithfulness toward us! In Your mercy You hear our prayers, You forgive our sins, You provide for our needs.

From one end of the earth to the other, You inspire worship and praise! Even nature celebrates Your goodness.

Receive our adoration, our confession, our thanksgiving.

Through the power of Your Holy Spirit make Your presence known among us that we may hear Your Word and know Your will. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray.

Praise Hymn

We Hear God's Word

New Testament Reading..... Philipians 4:4-9

New International Version

4 Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! 5 Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. 6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. 7 And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

8 Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. 9 Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

The Word of God for the People of God, **Thanks be to God!**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Faith Hymn

"Message"

Joys/Concerns

Prayers of the People

Ever faithful Lord, Ever giving Son, Ever present Spirit, For the many gifts you grant us and the opportunity to enjoy these things;
For your daily provision
and for the constant signs of your healing love;
For the hope amidst despair
and the light which always shines;
For all these things,
'thank you' is just so inadequate
but it's all we have to show our gratitude in word, in thought and in action.

Lord may our thanks move beyond words to transform us into thankful folk,

faithful folk,
seeing folk,
folk who see need and see the need to act,
folk who love to live and live to love,
folk who serve you by serving others.

Loving, personal Father, We bring before you those people and issues that are closest to us and that occupy our minds at this time ...
(personal and local intercessions could follow)

Transforming, healing Father, help us to make the light shine in dark places, to make peace known in violent places, and to bring hope to despondent places. Our prayers, spoken and silent are brought to you now in the name of your Son, Jesus, the healer, includer and redeemer, who taught us to pray, Our Father...

Offertory Doxology

Offertory Prayer

God of all creation, Thank you for the wonderful things you have made. Thank you for the universe full of stars and planets. Thank you for our world, full of life. Thank you for making each one of us. Thank you for loving each one of us. Take these gifts we now offer back to you. May they be used to the glory of your name. Take us and use us to share your love with the world. Amen

Departing Hymn

Benediction

May the Lord bless you and hold you close, May the Lord fill your heart with an overwhelming sense of peace and an abundance of gratitude. May you rest in the assurance that God loves you completely, uniquely, and beyond measure.

Postlude