

THE 30-DAY PRAYER CHALLENGE
“How to pray: The Lord’s Prayer”
Matthew 6:1-13

It’s amazing that the main time that we pray as believers are when we are in a time of struggle. We are going through a painful time in life or we are concerned for those around us who are going through tough times. Yet we have many opportunities to pray for the opposite. When things are going well, when God’s blessings are over flowing. A healthy prayer life is centered in following all of these aspects; we praise God for who He is, we pray for His will to be done, we thank Him for all that He gives us, and we ask Him to forgive us and lead us to Him. Today, we will be looking into how to pray and what the importance of each step is.

Point 1 - Honor God (Matthew 6:1-6)

- A. Righteousness is not for personal accolades, it is for the glory of God.
- B. Do not practice in public to be seen
- C. Pray (give) to the needy without announcement
- D. Do not give with ulterior motives-God knows all
- E. God will bless you, that’s all you need

Point 2 - Speak less, God knows (Matthew 6:7-8)

- A. Many words can be bad, talk to God only
- B. Don’t talk to hear the sound of your voice
- C. Be secluded, be with God
- D. Do not keep babbling; our Father knows

Point 3 - How to pray (Matthew 6:9-13)

- A. Jesus gave us directions on how to pray
- B. Glory be to God-PRAISE
- C. May His will be done here as it is in heaven
- D. Your blessings are what sustains us
- E. Forgive us
- F. Help us to forgive
- G. Save us from our sins

NOTES:

Discussion questions

1. How do we view our prayer lives?
2. Are we following Jesus' direction as we pray?
3. What are your thoughts on what a healthy prayer pattern is?
4. Why was the tax collector justified before God?
5. What does the Lord's Prayer mean to you?
6. What would be one change you would like to make in your prayer life?
7. How can we pray for the health of the church?

Welcome

to

Hillcrest Church!

*Love, Acceptance &
Forgiveness!*

*I call on you, my God, for you will answer me;
turn your ear to me and hear my prayer.
Show me the wonders of your great love*
Psalm 16:6-7

October 23, 2022
Pastor Bruce Guckelberg, PhD

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY OCTOBER 23rd

Aaron Olsen will be speaking on prayer this morning.

THE 30-DAY PRAYER CHALLENGE

Keep praying for the revitalization of Hillcrest Church. Visit our website (HillcrestRoseville.com) or Face Book page every day where you will find Scripture and suggestions of how you can pray for the church.

NEXT WEEK

Pastor Bruce will be back speaking on prayer as we continue the 30-day prayer challenge.

ONLINE GATHERINGS

Tuesday Prayer at 7:00pm, Wednesday Bible Study at 6:30pm
Go to the online meeting room on our website (hillcrestroseville.com) to access the gathering.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Our offering box is in the back of the sanctuary. You can place your tithes and offerings there, or you can visit our website and give online (hillcrestroseville.com).

NOVEMBER 8TH – HILLCREST WILL BE A POLLING PLACE

Hillcrest will be used to cast your votes in the upcoming election.

FACILITY UPGRADES – THE KITCHEN & UPSTAIRS CHILDREN'S AREA

The kitchen remodel is almost done. Take a look at it and see the difference between the before and after. There are just a few minor things that need to be done to complete the remodel. Thanks to all who helped! If you want to contribute money to this effort write "building fund" in the memo of your check.

HALLOWEEN OUTREACH / FALL FESTIVAL

OCTOBER 31, 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Combined trunk-or-treat, carnival games, free snack bar event in our parking lot. Last year over 200 people came through. We need lots of help:

- **BORROWED** Searchlights, light bulb strings; long extension cords and stands for mounting lights to light the entire parking lot
- **VOLUNTEERS** to run 4 carnival game stations (basket-ball toss, corn hole and tin can pyramid toss etc.) Candy distributed as prizes.
- **VOLUNTEERS** for 8-10 Trunk-or-Treat stations—decorate your car, dress up in costume and give out candy. (The church will supply all the candy you need)
- Help before and after the event to set up and clean up.
- Donate wrapped candy to the church starting now and up to Oct 31. Drop off point by the kitchen.

Contact Kathy Brooks 96-847-8123 or sign up on clipboard (by offering box) to help.

CIRBY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REQUESTS OUR HELP

A guidance counselor from the school reached out to Hillcrest and asked if we could supply mentors from our church (preferable men) to help some select students who could use a caring adult in their life. We could meet with the students at lunch time who are in desperate need of a guiding presence in their lives. If you are interested sign up at the information table.

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