

**Morning Prayers
Stauffer Chapel
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Call to Worship

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
His love endures forever.

Let the redeemed of the Lord say this—
Those he redeemed from the hand of the foe.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

His love endures forever.

To him who alone does great wonders,
His love endures forever.

Who by his understanding made the heavens,

His love endures forever.

Who spread out the earth upon the waters,
His love endures forever.

Who made the great lights—

His love endures forever.

The sun to govern the day,
His love endures forever.

The moon and stars to govern the night;

His love endures forever.

To the One who remembered us in our low estate
His love endures forever.

And freed us from our enemies,

His love endures forever.

And who gives food to every creature.
His love endures forever.

Give thanks to the God of Heaven.

His love endures forever. (Ps. 107:1-2; 136:1-9, 23-26)

Prayer

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Reading

For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies,
For the love which from our birth over and around us lies:
For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree, and flower, sun and moon and stars of light:
For thy church that evermore lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore her pure sacrifice of love:

Lord of all, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.

Prayers of praise and thanksgiving

Reading (Ps. 48:1-21, 9-14)

Great is the Lord, and most worthy of praise,
 In the city of our God, his holy mountain.
It is beautiful in its loftiness,
 The joy of the whole earth.
Within your temple, O God,
 We meditate on your unfailing love.
Like your name, O God,
 Your praise reaches to the ends of the earth;
 Your right hand is filled with righteousness.
Mount Zion rejoices,
 The villages of Judah are glad because of your judgments.
Walk about Zion, go around her, count her towers,
 Consider well her ramparts, view her citadels,
 That you may tell them to the next generation
For this God is our God for ever and ever
 He will be our guide even to the end.

Song—Day by Day

Day by day and with each passing moment, strength I find to meet my trials here;
Trusting in my Father's wise bestowment, I've no cause for worry or for fear.
He whose heart is kind beyond all measure gives unto each day what he deems best—
Lovingly, its part of pain and pleasure, mingling toil with peace and rest.

Every day the Lord himself is near me, with a special mercy for each hour;
All my cares he wants to bear, to cheer me, he whose name is counselor and power.
The protection of his child and treasure is a charge that on himself he laid
“As your days, your strength shall be in measure,” this the pledge to me he made.

Help me then in every tribulation so to trust they promises O Lord,
That I loose not faith's sweet consolation offered me within they holy word.
Help me, Lord, when toil and trouble meeting, e'er to take, as from a father's hand,
One by one, the days, the moments fleeting, till I reach the promised land.

Prayers for God's care and keeping

Closing Prayer:

In the name of God. May God protect us. May God support Us.

(Refrain) In the name of God----Peace.

May we go forward together, accepting the responsibilities of our day, ready to help those in need.

(Refrain) In the name of God ----Peace.

May we never hold in our hearts ill-will for one another. May we always seek to do God's will and to be God's instrument of peace.

(Refrain) In the name of God—Peace.