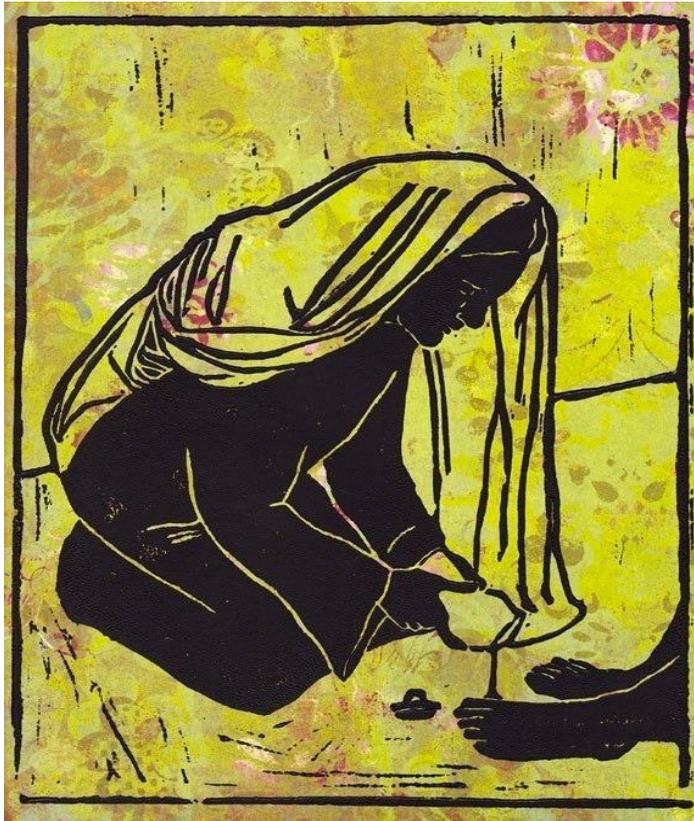


St. Paul's Episcopal Church

*We are called to gather around the sacred story and table of Christ
where all are invited to be fed and everyone's story matters.
All are welcome, no exceptions!*



**The Fifth Sunday of Lent
April 7, 2019, 8:00 A.M.
Rite I**

The Holy Eucharist Rite I

The Liturgy of the Word

Opening Acclamation

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Priest Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People His mercy endureth for ever.

Priest Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy Holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Decalogue

Priest God spake these words, and said: I am the Lord thy God who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Priest Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Priest Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Priest Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Priest Honor thy father and thy mother.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Priest Thou shalt do no murder.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Priest Thou shalt not commit adultery.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Priest Thou shalt not steal.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Priest Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Priest Thou shalt not covet.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Confession of Sin

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Priest Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God

Silence

People Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

Priest The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Kyrie

Priest Lord, have mercy upon us.

People Christ, have mercy upon us.

Priest Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Priest Let us pray.

O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men: Grant unto thy people that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson

Isaiah 42:16-21

Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old.

I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

The Psalm

Psalm 126

- 1 When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, *
then were we like those who dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, *
and our tongue with shouts of joy.
- 3 Then they said among the nations, *
"The Lord has done great things for them."
- 4 The Lord has done great things for us, *
and we are glad indeed.
- 5 Restore our fortunes, O Lord, *
like the watercourses of the Negev.
- 6 Those who sowed with tears *
will reap with songs of joy.
- 7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

The Second Lesson

Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

The Gospel

John 12:1-8

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Reverend Barbara A.T. Wilson

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Intercessor I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishops Michael and Jeff; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.
Pray for the Church.

Silence

Intercessor I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.
Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

Intercessor I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed,
and those in prison.
Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

Intercessor I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of
him.
Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

Intercessor I ask your prayers for the departed [especially _____].
Pray for those who have died.

Silence

*Members of the congregation may ask the prayers or the thanksgivings
of those present*

Intercessor I ask your prayers for _____.
We especially pray this week for Gail, Puzz, John Lind, Tommie
Vicente, Dan Wilson, Colleen Wilson, Joyce Kotvan, Chris Rogers,
Zachary and the Jacobs family, Marilyn, Dorothy, Margaret, Patty,
Kathy, David, Myrna, Terry Costello, Mike Cristiani and
Rosemarie.

I ask your thanksgiving for _____.

Silence

Intercessor Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been
honored [especially _____ whom we remember today].
Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

Priest Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth:
Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and
strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Peace

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Priest All things come of thee, O Lord.

People And of thine own have we given thee.

Eucharistic Prayer II

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The Great Thanksgiving

Priest The Lord be with you

People And with thy spirit

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

Priest

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

All

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.**

Priest

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies.

Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy

whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

Priest And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Priest: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*(The Episcopal Church invites all Christians to receive communion. The host is placed in your open hands; please assist in guiding the chalice to your lips, or dip the host in the wine. **We have gluten free hosts available, ask the priest at the rail.** It is acceptable to receive only the bread or the wine. If you would rather not receive communion, you are invited to come to the rail for a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest and the priest will say a prayer for you.)*

The Post Communion Prayer

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Priest Let us pray.

In Unison

Almighty God, we thank thee that in thy great love thou hast fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and hast given unto us a foretaste of thy heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be unto us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor

crying, but the fullness of joy with all thy saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Announcements, Special Prayers and Blessings

Priest

God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants Jackie Dickow, Mary Lincoln, and Gail Piper as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Priest

Gracious Creator: You blessed the marriage of two people with your love years ago. Amid the joys and struggles of their life you have preserved and strengthened the covenant between them; bless and renew that covenant now, increase your love in them, and strengthen their bond of peace, so that surrounded by their children, family and friends, they may always rejoice in the gift of their love for one another and for your enduring love that blesses their days together. This we ask through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Priest

O God, whose beauty and intention fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: preserve those who travel; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Blessing

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Priest The peace of God, which passeth all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father the Son and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

Priest: Let us go forth in the name of Christ

People: Thanks be to God.

**Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church
DeKalb, Illinois, Diocese of Chicago
Member of the Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion**

Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

Sundays

8:00 AM (spoken service); 10:30 AM (with music)

Child care for infants & young children is available

Sundays 9:15 A.M. - 11:45 A.M. in the Nursery.

Christian Education Classes

Sundays: Christian formation classes for all ages.

Children meet in the St. Timothy Center, Sunday mornings, 9:30-10:15 AM

Adult Formation meets in the Conference Room or Parish Hall

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Kathleen Johnson, Organist Hannah Buckle, Pianist

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Our Wardens and Vestry,

Marv Kombrink, Senior Warden,

Maureen Gerrity, Junior Warden

Pat Brown, Treasurer, Rebecca Smith, Clerk,

This Week at St. Paul's

Today, Sunday, April 7, 2019, Fifth Sunday in Lent		
The Holy Eucharist, Rite I	8:00 A.M.	Sanctuary
Nursery and Childcare Available	9:15-11:45 A.M.	St. Timothy Ctr.
Adult Formation	9:00 A.M.	Parish Hall
Kids Hope USA	9:30 A.M.	St. Timothy Ctr.
Children's Sunday School	9:30 A.M.	St. Timothy Ctr.
Choir Rehearsal	10:00 A.M.	Parish Hall
The Holy Eucharist, Rite II	10:30 A.M.	Sanctuary
Coffee and Fellowship	11:30 A.M.	Parish Hall
Garden Meeting	1:00 P.M.	Parish Hall

This Week - April 7, 2019 through April 14, 2019				
Wed	Apr 10	Adult Formation	6:00 P.M.	Parish Hall
Thu	Apr 11	Children's Choir Rehearsal	6:00 P.M.	PH/Sanctuary
		Adult Choir Rehearsal	7:00 P.M.	PH/Sanctuary
Fri	Apr 12	Mindfulness Meditation	12:00 P.M.	Sanctuary
Sat	Apr 13	Clean Up Day w/NIU Cares	9:00 A.M.	Front Lawn
Sun	Apr 14	Holy Eucharist, Rite I	8:00 A.M.	Sanctuary
		Children's Sunday School	9:30 A.M.	St. Timothy Ctr.
		Nursery/ Childcare	9:15-11:45 A.M.	St. Timothy Ctr
		Choral Anthem Rehearsal	10:00 A.M.	Parish Hall
		The Holy Eucharist, Rite II	10:30 A.M.	Sanctuary
		Coffee and Fellowship	11:30 A.M.	Parish Hall

Announcements

Welcome! If you are worshipping here for the first time, please sign our guest book. You are welcome to join us for refreshments after the service in the Parish Hall.

From Mother Barbara

I have a huge request to make of everyone at the Episcopal Church of St. Paul, at least for the next year or so, while I am acclimating myself to St. Paul's culture and how you do things, as I hope to learn how best to support you all in your various endeavors as God's people. Please run all announcements, ideas for projects to enhance the life of the congregation, past me before sharing them generally with the congregation. This will help me to understand how things generically flow from your ministries and the overall ministry of St. Paul's into the community. I welcome everyone's observations regarding this and your feedback! Thank you.
In Christ,,
Barbara+

Palm Sunday Passion Reading

We will read the Palm Sunday Passion Gospel in a Reader's Theatre format at the 10:30 AM service. If you are interested in participating and have questions, please talk to Lynne Jacobson or Lorraine Langer.

Lent and Adult Formation

This year, we are observing the season with a Wednesday evening soup and bread supper together with focused group study of Fr. Richard

Rohr's, "Embracing an Alternative Orthodoxy." For those who cannot make the Wednesday evening sessions, the same talk will take place **on Sundays** at 9 AM through Lent. It is hoped that St. Paul's folk will be joined by others from the larger community who may be interested in the discussions or may just want to sample the soup!

Garden Meeting Today

This year our garden plans include planting favorite vegetables to share with our hungry neighbors through food pantries. But we also will be growing beautiful cutting flowers for use by the Flower Guild and to brighten our grounds and the lives of those who may not be able to get to church but who receive visits from church members and Barb. Come to the planning meeting today to be part of the garden - 1:00 PM in Parish Hall. Contact Jacob Maas or Heidi Haverkamp if you cannot attend but would like to know more.

Kids Hope USA

KHUSA mentors and prayer partners will meet in the KHUSA in the St. Timothy Center room **today, April 7, at 9:30 AM**, for a debriefing. Coffee and donuts! Mentors meet with students every Wednesday at noon at Lincoln Elementary.

Cleanup Day!

Every year we spend a Saturday morning cleaning up the church grounds. We do this in coordination with NIU Cares Day, which means we will have many student helpers. This year it's going to be **Saturday, April 13**, from 9 to 12. Please mark your calendars! Any questions, talk to Rick Johns or call at 815-217-4849.

For those who would prefer to work indoors on that day, the Altar Guild will be cleaning the brass candlesticks, and there will be folks cleaning in the kitchen and washing windows in the Parish Hall. Check with Peg Newby or Jocelyn Prall for questions.

Mindfulness Meditation

A new group has formed for Mindfulness Meditation with Mother Barbara, offering guidance in mindfulness meditation. The sessions will be held on **Fridays at noon in the Sanctuary** to provide an opportunity to sit in holy silence with others to share the present moment. Each session will be a little less than an hour in duration.

Celebration of New Ministry

We will celebrate The Reverend Barbara A.T. Wilson's installation as Rector at St. Paul's on **Tuesday, April 30th**, at 7:00 PM. The Right Reverend Jeffrey Lee will preside and The Reverend David Pike will preach. A reception will follow. All are welcome! Evite invitations have been sent – please remember to respond by April 17th.

St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Sycamore will install The Reverend George Jalouf on Saturday, April 27th, at 7:00 PM. Those interested in attending can contact Jennie Cummings.

We are Now Taking Easter Flower Donations!

It's that time of year again! We are now taking donations for Easter flowers in memoriam or in thanksgiving. Place your check in the flower envelope and please write your name and the dedication that you would like to see in the bulletin on the envelope. Please write checks out to St. Paul's with "Easter flowers" as the memo and place them in the collection or leave them in the Parish Office. The deadline to send in flower donations for Easter is **April 14th**.

The Lobsters are Coming!

But fortunately not quite yet. It is time to start thinking about Lobster Boil, which will occur on **Saturday May 18th**. Please mark your calendars! We need everyone to help out on that day. If anyone would like to help coordinate some of the Lobster Boil activities, please let me know. We will

have an organizational meeting soon. Thanks! Rick Johns, rjohns@niu.edu or 815-748-5896.

Rite I Service

The Rite I spoken service will now be held every Sunday, including the fifth Sundays of the month.

Communication!!!!

There are a lot of things happening at St. Paul's! A new form has been developed so that the office can keep up with events and programs and be sure information is communicated to all who should know. In addition, the new Audio Video System in the Parish Hall has many capabilities for streaming, playing DVD's, slide shows, music, etc. To both ends, we are asking that you fill out a Communication and Tech Request Form for your events and email or turn it in to the office. Copies of the form will be available in the Parish Office and on the table in the Parish Hall. If you need help putting an announcement together, Susan is happy to assist.

For more information about St. Paul's

Go to our website, www.stpaulsdekab.org - to hear the Sermons, Announcements, Schedules, Mars Hill Newsletter, etc. The Church of St. Paul is on Facebook! Like our page and sign up to follow us to get the latest updates on what's going on!

St. Paul's is an affirming and inclusive Christian community!

Striving through worship, love and service to welcome all people just as God created you. No matter where you are on your journey of faith, and whether you are single, married, divorced, separated, or partnered, our welcome knows no boundaries of age, race, ethnicity, culture, gender expression, sexual orientation, economic condition, physical or mental ability. We believe that God delights in the diversity of creation and so do we! All are welcome, no exceptions!

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Prayers of the People: Book of Common Prayer, Form II

Household Prayers. Long, K. B. (2013). *Feasting on the Word: Liturgies for Year C*. Westminster John Knox Press: Louisville, Kentucky.

Household Prayer: Morning

Merciful God, as I begin this day, place in me a spirit of generosity so that I may freely share love, joy, and encouragement with those I encounter. Keep me from quick judgments so that I leave room for your grace in my life and in the lives of others. Make me your faithful disciple in my words and in my actions, as well as in the thoughts of my heart; in Jesus' name. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

All through the day, Lord Jesus, you have been present. As I settle into the routines of home and evening, I long to be at home in my relationship with you. Help me to put aside the cares of the day and the worries of tomorrow in order to fully enjoy the peace of your presence now. I pray that your peace will also be with those I know who have special need of your care tonight, and I pray for those who lie down this night without the safety of home or bed, without enough food or resources. Bring your light into the surrounding darkness so that all of us may sleep in the security of

your love. Amen.

A word about the Household Prayers:

These prayers are printed on a page of their own so that you can tear them out and use them in your devotions at home. These prayers come from an anthology titled *Feasting on the Word*, that includes several liturgies for services. The prayers reflect the readings of the week, including special feast days