WORSHIP GUIDE: SUNDAY AM - September 3rd, 2023 - 10:15am

Mature Prayer

Welcome: [Pastor Bernie]

- Scripture Focus today: Philippians 1:9-11. Last week we considered Paul's Thanksgiving in verses 1:3-8. Today we examine verses 9-11 and the content of Paul's spiritually mature prayer for the Philippians.
 - ⁹ And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, ¹⁰ so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, ¹¹ filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.
- Today, we will praise Jesus, the source of our Joy. We will pray Scripture and will respond to the call of an abundant life in Christ.

Call to Worship: Prayer – That the person of Christ in the Word, worship as response to Him. [Pastor Bernie]

JESUS - WORTHY OF PRAISE & SOURCE OF JOY

Congregational Song: All Hail the Power

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all. Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all.

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown Him Lord of all.

Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown Him Lord of all.

Let every kindred, every tribe on this terrestrial ball, to him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all. To him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng we at His feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all. We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all.

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Congregational Song: O God My Joy [New song – song sheets available]

O God, my joy, You reign above
In radiant splendor and beauty.
Your Word has drawn my heart to love
The awesome sight of Your glory.
Your blazing light and gospel grace
Shine brightly from my Savior's face.
No other wonder would I see
Than Christ enthroned in His glory!

Sustained by joy in trial and pain,
I trust Your wisdom and mercy.
Through suff'ring that Your love ordains,
More like Your Son You will make me.
For Christ embraced the cross of shame,
Beholding glorious joys to come.
O give me faith like His to see
That suff'ring lifts me to glory!

Compelled by joy, I fight the sin
That turns my gaze from Your glory.
Your Holy Spirit dwells within;
His presence arms me for vict'ry.
Let death and hell against me rise;
Through death I'll gain eternal joys.
All pow'rs of hell will bend the knee
Before my great King of Glory!

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PRAYING SCRIPTURE

Congregational Song: Bow the Knee

What a privilege to come into God's presence, just to linger with the one who set me free. As I lift my eyes and see His awesome glory, I remember who He is and bow the knee.

Bow the knee, bow the knee, He is king of all the ages, bow the knee! God alone on His throne, see Him high and lifted up and bow the knee! Kneel before Him, all adore Him. As you live to love Him more, bow the knee.

In His hand He holds the power of creation. With His voice He spoke and all things came to be. Yet He hears each simple prayer I bring before Him when I humbly seek His face and bow the knee.

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The Lord's Prayer [Pastor Steve]

Read Scripture

⁵ "And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ⁶ But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

⁷ "And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. ⁸ Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. ⁹ Pray then like this:

"Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.[a] 10 Your kingdom come, your will be done,[b] on earth as it is in heaven. 11 Give us this day our daily bread,[c] ¹² and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

Pray Scripture [Pastor Steve]

GOD'S LOVE - BASIS OF ABOUNDING LOVE

Congregational Song: The Deep Deep Love

O the deep, deep love of Jesus, vast, unmeasured, boundless, free! Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me! Underneath me, all around me, is the current of Thy love Leading onward, leading homeward to Your glorious rest above!

O the deep, deep love! All I need and trust is the deep, deep love of Jesus.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus, spread His praise from shore to shore! How He came to pay our ransom through the saving cross He bore. How He watches o'er His loved ones, those He died to make His own, How for them He's interceding, pleading now before the throne.

O the deep, deep love! All I need and trust is the deep, deep love of Jesus.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus, far surpassing all the rest, It's an ocean full of blessing, in the midst of every test. O the deep, deep love of Jesus, mighty Savior, precious Friend, You will bring us home to glory, where Your love will never end!

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Congregational Song: More Love to Thee

Philippians 1:9 - ⁹ And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment,

More love to thee, O Christ, more love to thee! Hear thou the prayer I make on bended knee. This is my earnest plea: More love, O Christ, to thee; more love to thee, more love to thee!

¹³ And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.^[d]

¹⁴ For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, ¹⁵ but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

*Children 3-K5 dismissed to back

Message: Philippians 1:9-11 [Pastor Steve]

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Congregational Song of Response: Higher Ground

I'm pressing on the upward way, New heights I'm gaining ev'ry day; Still praying as I'm onward bound, "Lord, plant my feet on higher ground."

Lord, lift me up, and let me stand By faith, on heaven's tableland; A higher plane than I have found, Lord, plant my feet on higher ground.

I want to scale the utmost height, And catch a gleam of glory bright; But still I'll pray till heav'n I've found, "Lord, lead me on to higher ground."

Lord, lift me up, and let me stand By faith, on heaven's tableland; A higher plane than I have found, Lord, plant my feet on higher ground.

Announcements: [Pastor Steve]

- Sep 23rd Camp Chetek Fall Festival K-6th Grade. Sign up is in the back.
- Next Sunday, September 10th 9:00am Teen Parent Meeting (in youth room)
- Saturday September 9th 8:00am Men's prayer Breakfast NO Ladies Crafting event on the 9th.
- Mom's Group Starts September 6th
- This Wednesday September 6th
 - o Start of AWANA- 6:45pm materials available for purchase in back
 - o Start of Cross Training Teens 7:00pm
 - o Start of Prayer Meeting 7:00pm