

Lifting Our Voices to the Lord

They lifted their voices together to God.

Acts 4:24

Lifting Our Voices Together in Praise

I love you, O Lord, my strength. The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. I call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised, and I am saved from my enemies. *Psalm 18:1-3*

- Praise the Lord, He is our Rock!
- Praise the Lord, He is our Fortress!
- Praise the Lord, He is our Deliverer!
- Praise the Lord, He is the horn of our Salvation!
- Praise the Lord, He is our Stronghold!

Lifting Our Voices Together in Confession

Forgive us, Lord, for our dull hearts toward You.

For this people's heart has grown dull, and with their ears they can barely hear, and their eyes they have closed, lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their heart and turn, and I would heal them. *Matthew 13:15*

Forgive us, Lord, for depending on ourselves rather than You.

Unless the Lord builds the house, its builders labor in vain. Unless the Lord watches over the city, the watchmen stand guard in vain. In vain you rise early and stay up late, toiling for food to eat—for he grants sleep to those he loves. *Psalm 127:1-2*

Forgive us, Lord, for serving ourselves instead of our neighbors.

Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interest of others. Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus... *Philippians 2:3-5*

Lifting Our Voices Together in Thanksgiving

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations. *Psalm 100*

- Thank the Lord for reconciling us to Him through Jesus Christ.
- Thank the Lord for the opportunities He has given us to serve.
- Thank the Lord for His goodness and steadfast love.
- Thank the Lord for His faithfulness to all generations.

Lifting Our Voices Together in Supplication

Prayers for Our Church:

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. *Ephesians 3:14-19*

- Pray for our children and youth.
- Pray for our married couples.
- Pray for our single adults, widows, and widowers.
- Pray for our families.

Prayers for the Neighborhoods in Our City:

When the poor and needy seek water, and there is none, and their tongue is parched with thirst, I the Lord will answer them; I the God of Israel will not forsake them. I will open rivers on the bare heights, and fountains in the midst of the valleys. I will make the wilderness a pool of water, and the dry land springs of water. ... that they may see and know, may consider and understand together, that the hand of the Lord has done this, the Holy One of Israel has created it. *Isaiah 41:17-18, 20*

- Pray for our parishes—where you live.
- Pray for distressed neighborhoods—where people live without basic necessities.
- Pray for our partner neighborhoods—where our local ministry partners have established gospel footholds: The Heights, Binghampton, Orange Mound, Alcy Ball, Midtown, Downtown, Frayser.

Prayers for the World:

“... that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places.” *Ephesians 1:17-20*

- Pray for our missionaries.
- Pray for our nation.
- Pray for the world.



Our next prayer meeting will be Wednesday,
May 4 at noon in the Fellowship Hall.