

DAILY PRAYER GUIDE

SMALL GROUP GUIDE & PRAYER JOURNAL

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HOW THE DPG WORKS

It can take just a few minutes, or you can spend an hour. Set aside a bit of your time for God. Every day, find a quiet spot, even if it's in your car before work or in bed before you close your eyes. Open this up and pray through the steps given for each day. Follow the instructions and focus as you read scripture and pray.

A SIMPLE METHOD FOR HEARING GOD

Here are 6 simple steps to use as you're reading the Bible. Take your time and spend a few minutes on each step as you hear from God.

RELAX - Find a calm place and take a few deep breaths. Focus your mind on listening for God's voice.

READ - Read the word of God. It can be just a few verses or maybe an entire chapter.

FOCUS - Center your attention on the verses and ask God to highlight parts of the Scripture to you.

RESPOND - Write down or think about what the verses bring to mind and how they move you.

REST - Let your mind flow over the truth and goodness of God's word.

RESOLVE - With joy and reverence, choose to follow what God is saying through His Scripture.

This is something you can practice every time you make room to hear God. His desire is to speak to us every day. These steps can help you to focus on his voice.

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Be Still and Quiet • Prepare your heart and mind for this time with the Lord. Close your eyes. Breathe in and say to yourself, “He is...”. Exhale slowly and say to yourself, “...with me.” Repeat this three times. When you’re ready, open your eyes and begin reading the Word.

God’s Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Psalm 150:1-2
Praise God in his sanctuary;
praise him in his mighty heavens.
Praise him for his acts of power;
praise him for his surpassing greatness.*

*Revelation 21:3-4
And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.”*

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*Psalms 111-112 Psalm 148 Psalm 150 Hebrews 11:32-12:2
Revelation 21:1-4 Revelation 21:22-22:5*

So What’s Next? • Offer a prayer of thanksgiving – the same God, who in all of his power and glory created the heavens and earth is the same God who is with you right now.

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Psalm 59:16
But I will sing of your strength,
in the morning I will sing of your love;
for you are my fortress,
my refuge in times of trouble.

Matthew 13:23
“But the seed falling on good soil refers to someone who hears the word and understands it. This is the one who produces a crop, yielding a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown.”

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Psalm 33 Psalm 50 Psalms 59-60 Nehemiah 1 Matthew 13:18-23
Revelation 5:11-6

So What’s Next? • Reflect on the ways God is shaping you right now. Ask God to show you the ways you’ve grown in your knowledge of who he is to you.

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Psalm 40:17

*But as for me, I am poor and needy;
may the Lord think of me.
You are my help and my deliverer;
you are my God, do not delay.*

Revelation 6:2-3

Then I saw another angel coming up from the east, having the seal of the living God. He called out in a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm the land and the sea: 3 "Do not harm the land or the sea or the trees until we put a seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God."

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Psalm 40 Psalm 51 Psalm 54 Nehemiah 2 Matthew 13:24-30
Revelation 6:12-7:4

So What's Next? • Take a moment to express your needs to God, whether they're physical, emotional or spiritual – he wants to hear from you.

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Psalm 55:16-17
We wait in hope for the Lord;
he is our help and our shield.
In him our hearts rejoice,
for we trust in his holy name.

Revelation 7:16-17
Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat down on them, nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; he will lead them to springs of living water. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.

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Psalm 55 Psalms 138:1-139:23 Nehemiah 4 Matthew 13:31-35
Revelation 7:4-17

So What’s Next? • What is the thing you’ve prayed for the longest time? Have you grown tired of asking the Father for it? Spend a moment with the Lord pondering this request.

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God’s Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

Psalm 84:2
My soul yearns, even faints,
for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and my flesh cry out
for the living God.

Luke 12:22-23
Then Jesus said to his disciples: “Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothes.”

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<i>Psalm 8</i>	<i>Psalm 24</i>	<i>Psalm 29</i>	<i>Psalm 84</i>	<i>Nehemiah 5</i>
<i>Luke 12:22-31</i>	<i>Acts 20:7-12</i>			

So What’s Next? • Take a moment to let your mind dwell on thoughts about God. What does it feel like to sit in his presence?

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God's Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

Psalm 56:3-4

*When I am afraid, I put my trust in you.
In God, whose word I praise—
in God I trust and am not afraid.*

Matthew 13:41-43

The Son of Man will send out his angels, and they will weed out of his kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil. They will throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Whoever has ears, let them hear.

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*Psalms 56-58
Revelation 10*

Psalms 64-65

Nehemiah 6

Matthew 13:36-43

So What's Next? • Is there something you need to lay at the Lord's feet? Do you need to release something to the Lord? Write it in your journal and pray about it throughout your day.

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God's Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

Psalm 61:2

*From the ends of the earth I call to you,
I call as my heart grows faint;
lead me to the rock that is higher than I.*

Revelation 11:11-12

But after the three and a half days the breath of life from God entered them, and they stood on their feet, and terror struck those who saw them. Then they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, "Come up here." And they went up to heaven in a cloud, while their enemies looked on.

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Psalms 61-62

Psalm 68

Nehemiah 12:27-31

Nehemiah 12:42-47

Matthew 13:44-52

Revelation 11

So What's Next? • Is your heart weary? Breathe in "the Lord is my shepherd." Breathe out, "I have everything I need." Repeat this throughout your day.

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God's Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

Psalms 119:89-90

Your word, Lord, is eternal;

it stands firm in the heavens.

Your faithfulness continues through all generations;

you established the earth, and it endures.

Matthew 13:57b-58

But Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his own town and in his own home." And he did not do many miracles there because of their lack of faith.

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Psalms 72

Psalms 119:73-96

Nehemiah 13:4-22

Matthew 13:53-58

Revelation 12:1-12

So What's Next? • Think about the faithfulness of God. Write about two moments you've recognized his faithfulness in your life.

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Psalm 70:4

*But may all who seek you
rejoice and be glad in you;
may those who long for your saving help always say,
"The Lord is great!"*

Revelation 14:6-7

Then I saw another angel flying in midair, and he had the eternal gospel to proclaim to those who live on the earth—to every nation, tribe, language and people. He said in a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come. Worship him who made the heavens, the earth, the sea and the springs of water."

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Psalms 70-71

Psalm 74

Ezra 7:1-26

Matthew 14:1-12

Revelation 14:1-13

So What's Next? • Reflect on the Lord's invitations to you. If you don't know of any, spend a moment asking what his new ones are for you.

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God's Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

Psalm 73:28

*But as for me, it is good to be near God.
I have made the Sovereign Lord my refuge;
I will tell of all your deeds.*

Matthew 14:13-14

When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick.

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*Psalm 69 Psalm 73 Ezra 7:27-28 Ezra 8:21-36 Matthew 14:13-21
Revelation 15*

So What's Next? • What does retreating with the Lord look like for you? If you can't imagine it, write down how you would like to spend time with him.

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God's Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

Psalms 27:1

*The Lord is my light and my salvation—
whom shall I fear?*

*The Lord is the stronghold of my life—
of whom shall I be afraid?*

Matthew 14:29-31

"Come," he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?"

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Psalms 23

Psalms 27

Psalms 75-76

Ezra 9

Matthew 14:22-36

Revelation 17:1-14

So What's Next? • Write a short list of two or three things you are most afraid of. How do you think these fears may be limiting your freedom in Christ? Ask Him to free you from these fears and continue to take go to Jesus in your fearful moments throughout the day.

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Psalm 34:4
I sought the Lord, and he answered me;
he delivered me from all my fears.

Luke 24:12-14
Then Jesus said to his host, "When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or sisters, your relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

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Psalm 34 Psalm 93 Psalm 96 Ezra 10:1-17 Luke 14:12-24
Acts 24:10-21

So What's Next? • We have all been given a sphere of influence. How can we be exerting influence for the Kingdom where God has put us? What opportunities is God giving you to be a blessing to those around you?

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God’s Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

Psalm 79:8
*Do not hold against us the sins of past generations;
may your mercy come quickly to meet us,
for we are in desperate need.*

Matthew 15:18-20
“But the things that come out of a person’s mouth come from the heart, and these defile them. For out of the heart come evil thoughts—murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false testimony, slander. These are what defile a person; but eating with unwashed hands does not defile them.”

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Psalm 77 Psalm 79 Psalm 80 Nehemiah 9:1-25 Matthew 15:1-20
Revelation 18:1-8

So What’s Next? • Are there parts of your heart that you are not allowing God to change? Maybe you have a thought pattern or behavior that you use as a coping mechanism and you don’t want to let go of it. Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal anything hurtful or unhealthy that you are clinging to.

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God’s Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Psalm 78:4
We will not hide them from their descendants;
we will tell the next generation
the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord,
his power, and the wonders he has done.*

*Matthew 15:25 and 28
The woman came and knelt before him. “Lord, help me!” she said...Then Jesus said to her, “Woman, you have great faith! Your request is granted.” And her daughter was healed at that moment.*

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Psalm 78 Nehemiah 9:26-38 Matthew 15:21-28 Revelation 18:9-20

So What’s Next? • What wonders have you seen God do in your life or in the lives of people you care about? Write a list of these wonders. It fuels our faith to remember the prayers we have seen answered. God is always working.

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*Psalm 119:105
Your word is a lamp for my feet,
a light on my path.*

*Matthew 15:29-31
Jesus left there and went along the Sea of Galilee. Then he went up on a mountainside and sat down. Great crowds came to him, bringing the lame, the blind, the crippled, the mute and many others, and laid them at his feet; and he healed them. The people were amazed when they saw the mute speaking, the crippled made well, the lame walking and the blind seeing. And they praised the God of Israel.*

Listening • How did you hear from God in your prayer time or through these verses? Did a specific word or phrase stand out to you? Write that below:

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*Psalms 81-82 Psalm 119:97-120 Nehemiah 7:73-8:3 Nehemiah 8:5-18
Matthew 15:29-39 Revelation 18:21-24*

So What's Next? • The Bible is an awesome resource. God's word provides comfort, guidance, encouragement, wisdom, and accountability. It is the best source for learning the character of God and understanding His will for our lives. In what way do you need the Bible shining into your life today?

Journal • Take a few moments to respond to what God is telling you today, in your own words or images.

CHECK IN

You've made it to the halfway point! November is halfway over, but God isn't finished speaking to you! What have you heard so far this month? Take a few moments and reflect on what God has spoken to you, and let us know. We'd love to be a part of your journey. Email SHV or Larkspur Church at dpg@shvchurch.org with the stories of what God is doing in your life.

NOVEMBER 16

Invitation • As you begin your time with God, take just a moment to invite Him to speak to you, both during your prayer, and through His Word. Use these words for your prayer if you need help getting started:

"God, I trust you and your Word. I want to grow closer to you today and better understand your promises to me. I commit this time to you and say 'yes' to what you reveal to me during this time. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Be Still and Quiet • Prepare your heart and mind for this time with the Lord. Close your eyes. Breathe in and say to yourself, "He is...". Exhale slowly and say to yourself, "...with me." Repeat this three times. When you're ready, open your eyes and begin reading the Word.

God's Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

Psalm 27:7-8
Hear my voice when I call, Lord;
be merciful to me and answer me.
My heart says of you, "Seek his face!"
Your face, Lord, I will seek.

Revelation 19:1-2a
After this I heard what sounded like the roar of a great multitude in heaven shouting:
"Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God, for true and just are his judgments."

Listening • How did you hear from God in your prayer time or through these verses? Did a specific word or phrase stand out to you? Write that below:

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Psalm 23 Psalm 27 Psalm 83 Psalms 85-86 Matthew 16:1-12
Revelation 19:1-10

So What's Next? • Are you content with the amount of Jesus you have in your life, or do you want more? Since He is a rewarder of those who seek Him (Heb. 11:6), is there something more or different that you could be doing to "Seek his face"?

Journal • Take a few moments to respond to what God is telling you today, in your own words or images.

NOVEMBER 17

Invitation • As you begin your time with God, take just a moment to invite Him to speak to you, both during your prayer, and through His Word. Use these words for your prayer if you need help getting started:

“God, thank you for this time together. I want to know you better and grow in my faith. As I dive into your Word today, please meet me there. Reveal yourself to me through these verses and show me how to live out my faith. In Jesus’ name, Amen.”

Be Still and Quiet • Prepare your heart and mind for this time with the Lord. Close your eyes. Breathe in and say to yourself, “God is...”. Exhale slowly and say to yourself, “my rock.” Breathe in and say to yourself, “God is...”. Exhale slowly and say to yourself, “my fortress.” Repeat this 3 times. When you’re ready, open your eyes and begin reading the Word.

God’s Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

Psalm 88:1-2
Lord, you are the God who saves me;
day and night I cry out to you.
May my prayer come before you;
turn your ear to my cry.

Matthew 16:18-19
“And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”

Listening • How did you hear from God in your prayer time or through these verses? Did a specific word or phrase stand out to you? Write that below:

Grab Your Bible • Dig deeper into God’s Word with today’s reading plan from the Book of Common Prayer.

Psalm 88 Psalms 91-92 Matthew 16:13-20 Revelation 19:11-16

So What’s Next? • Life is full of perils. Verse 3 of the hymn, Just As I Am, describes this well: “Just as I am - though toss’d about, with many a conflict, many a doubt, fightings and fears within, without, o Lamb of God, I come!”
What in your life do you feel you need Jesus to save you from? Let Him know your heart’s cry.

Journal • Take a few moments to respond to what God is telling you today, in your own words or images.

NOVEMBER 18

Invitation • As you begin your time with God, take just a moment to invite Him to speak to you, both during your prayer, and through His Word. Use these words for your prayer if you need help getting started:

"Lord, you are worthy of all my honor and praise. I need you today. Help me to be transformed by your presence. Reveal your will for me as I study your Word. I commit this time to you. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Be Still and Quiet • Prepare your heart and mind for this time with the Lord. Close your eyes. Breathe in for 4 seconds. Exhale for 8 seconds. Identify one thing that is distracting you, burdening you, or worrying you today. Breathe in and say to yourself, "Lord...". Breathe out and say to yourself, "I lay this down." Repeat as many times as you need for each distraction, burden, or worry today. When you're ready, open your eyes and begin reading the Word.

God's Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

Psalm 136:1-2
Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.
His love endures forever.
Give thanks to the God of gods.
His love endures forever.

Matthew 16:24-25
Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it."

Listening • How did you hear from God in your prayer time or through these verses? Did a specific word or phrase stand out to you? Write that below:

Grab Your Bible • Dig deeper into God's Word with today's reading plan from the Book of Common Prayer.

Psalm 87 Psalm 90 Psalm 136 Matthew 16:21-28
Revelation 20:1-6

So What's Next? • Here is an inescapable truth of discipleship: if we intend to truly follow Jesus, we must expect to be uncomfortable. What does taking up your cross to follow Him look like today? Remember that Jesus is with you.

NOVEMBER 19

Invitation • As you begin your time with God, take just a moment to invite Him to speak to you, both during your prayer, and through His Word. Use these words for your prayer if you need help getting started:

“God, I trust you and your Word. I want to grow closer to you today and better understand your promises to me. I commit this time to you and say ‘yes’ to what you reveal to me during this time. In Jesus’ name, Amen.”

Be Still and Quiet • Prepare your heart and mind for this time with the Lord. Close your eyes. Breathe in and say to yourself, “He is...”. Exhale slowly and say to yourself, “...with me.” Repeat this three times. When you’re ready, open your eyes and begin reading the Word.

God’s Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

Psalm 66:16-17
Come and hear, all you who fear God;
let me tell you what he has done for me.
I cried out to him with my mouth;
his praise was on my tongue.

Luke 16:13
“No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.”

Listening • How did you hear from God in your prayer time or through these verses? Did a specific word or phrase stand out to you? Write that below:

Grab Your Bible • Dig deeper into God’s Word with today’s reading plan from the Book of Common Prayer.

Psalm 19 Psalm 46 Psalm 66-67 Luke 16:1-13 Acts 28:14-23

So What’s Next? • Is there something in your life that you feel is competing with God for your attention? Maybe it’s money? Or maybe it’s a promotion, or someone’s love, or being secure, or getting recognition, or just being comfortable. Any number of things can become idols if we aren’t careful. Ask the Holy Spirit to point out to you if anything is getting in the way of your service to God.

Journal • Take a few moments to respond to what God is telling you today, in your own words or images.

NOVEMBER 20

Invitation • As you begin your time with God, take just a moment to invite Him to speak to you, both during your prayer, and through His Word. Use these words for your prayer if you need help getting started:

"God, thank you for this time together. I want to know you better and grow in my faith. As I dive into your Word today, please meet me there. Reveal yourself to me through these verses and show me how to live out my faith. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Be Still and Quiet • Prepare your heart and mind for this time with the Lord. Close your eyes. Breathe in and say to yourself, "God is...". Exhale slowly and say to yourself, "my rock." Breathe in and say to yourself, "God is...". Exhale slowly and say to yourself, "my fortress." Repeat this 3 times. When you're ready, open your eyes and begin reading the Word.

God's Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

Psalm 89:1

*I will sing of the Lord's great love forever;
with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known
through all generations.*

Matthew 17:5-8

While he was still speaking, a bright cloud covered them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell facedown to the ground, terrified. But Jesus came and touched them. "Get up," he said. "Don't be afraid." When they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus.

Listening • How did you hear from God in your prayer time or through these verses? Did a specific word or phrase stand out to you? Write that below:

Grab Your Bible • Dig deeper into God's Word with today's reading plan from the Book of Common Prayer.

Psalm 89

Matthew 17:1-13

Revelation 20:7-15

So What's Next? • God the Father adores His Son! Since Jesus has declared that we are His brothers and sisters, we can rest in the knowledge that God is also "well pleased" with us. Let that sink in for a moment and return to that thought throughout your day.

NOVEMBER 21

Invitation • As you begin your time with God, take just a moment to invite Him to speak to you, both during your prayer, and through His Word. Use these words for your prayer if you need help getting started:

"Lord, you are worthy of all my honor and praise. I need you today. Help me to be transformed by your presence. Reveal your will for me as I study your Word. I commit this time to you. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Be Still and Quiet • Prepare your heart and mind for this time with the Lord. Close your eyes. Breathe in for 4 seconds. Exhale for 8 seconds. Identify one thing that is distracting you, burdening you, or worrying you today. Breathe in and say to yourself, "Lord...". Breathe out and say to yourself, "I lay this down." Repeat as many times as you need for each distraction, burden, or worry today. When you're ready, open your eyes and begin reading the Word.

God's Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

Psalm 100:4
Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and praise his name.

Mathew 17:20
He replied, "Because you have so little faith. Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you."

Listening • How did you hear from God in your prayer time or through these verses? Did a specific word or phrase stand out to you? Write that below:

Grab Your Bible • Dig deeper into God's Word with today's reading plan from the Book of Common Prayer.

Psalms 94-95 Psalm 97 Psalms 99-100 Matthew 17:14-21
Revelation 21:1-8

So What's Next? • What do you have to be thankful for today? Make a list of 5 or 10 things that you appreciate. They can be big things or small things. Read your list throughout the day as you practice gratitude and thankfulness.

Journal • Take a few moments to respond to what God is telling you today, in your own words or images.

NOVEMBER 22

Invitation • As you begin your time with God, take just a moment to invite Him to speak to you, both during your prayer, and through His Word. Use these words for your prayer if you need help getting started:

"God, I trust you and your Word. I want to grow closer to you today and better understand your promises to me. I commit this time to you and say 'yes' to what you reveal to me during this time. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Be Still and Quiet • Prepare your heart and mind for this time with the Lord. Close your eyes. Breathe in and say to yourself, "He is...". Exhale slowly and say to yourself, "...with me." Repeat this three times. When you're ready, open your eyes and begin reading the Word.

God's Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Psalms 101:2-3a
I will be careful to lead a blameless life—
when will you come to me?
I will conduct the affairs of my house
with a blameless heart.
I will not look with approval
on anything that is vile.*

*Matthew 17:22-23
When they came together in Galilee, he said to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men. They will kill him, and on the third day he will be raised to life." And the disciples were filled with grief.*

Listening • How did you hear from God in your prayer time or through these verses? Did a specific word or phrase stand out to you? Write that below:

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*Psalms 101 Psalms 109:1-30 Psalms 119:121-144 Matthew 17:22-27
Revelation 21:9-21*

So What's Next? • Following Jesus includes the process of laying aside the weights and sins which slow us down as we are running after God. As we let the Holy Spirit work in our lives, we want to look more and more like Jesus. Is He calling you to lay aside or set something down today?

Journal • Take a few moments to respond to what God is telling you today, in your own words or images.

NOVEMBER 23

Invitation • As you begin your time with God, take just a moment to invite Him to speak to you, both during your prayer, and through His Word. Use these words for your prayer if you need help getting started:

"God, thank you for this time together. I want to know you better and grow in my faith. As I dive into your Word today, please meet me there. Reveal yourself to me through these verses and show me how to live out my faith. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Be Still and Quiet • Prepare your heart and mind for this time with the Lord. Close your eyes. Breathe in and say to yourself, "God is...". Exhale slowly and say to yourself, "my rock." Breathe in and say to yourself, "God is...". Exhale slowly and say to yourself, "my fortress." Repeat this 3 times. When you're ready, open your eyes and begin reading the Word.

God's Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

Psalm 147:10-11

*His pleasure is not in the strength of the horse,
nor his delight in the legs of the warrior;
the Lord delights in those who fear him,
who put their hope in his unfailing love.*

John 6:35

Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Listening • How did you hear from God in your prayer time or through these verses? Did a specific word or phrase stand out to you? Write that below:

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Psalm 145

Psalm 147

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

John 6:26-35

1 Thessalonians 5:12-24

So What's Next? • Have you ever watched a child who is just trying to take her first steps? That is a picture of delight. The baby's attempts to walk may not be coordinated, but the parent is still delighted to see the progress! Are you aware that God is looking at you with delight at this moment? Rest in that thought for a few minutes.

NOVEMBER 24

Invitation • As you begin your time with God, take just a moment to invite Him to speak to you, both during your prayer, and through His Word. Use these words for your prayer if you need help getting started:

"Lord, you are worthy of all my honor and praise. I need you today. Help me to be transformed by your presence. Reveal your will for me as I study your Word. I commit this time to you. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Be Still and Quiet • Prepare your heart and mind for this time with the Lord. Close your eyes. Breathe in for 4 seconds. Exhale for 8 seconds. Identify one thing that is distracting you, burdening you, or worrying you today. Breathe in and say to yourself, "Lord...". Breathe out and say to yourself, "I lay this down." Repeat as many times as you need for each distraction, burden, or worry today. When you're ready, open your eyes and begin reading the Word.

God's Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

Psalm 107:5-6
They were hungry and thirsty,
and their lives ebbed away.
Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble,
and he delivered them from their distress.

Matthew 18:12-14
"What do you think? If a man owns a hundred sheep, and one of them wanders away, will he not leave the ninety-nine on the hills and go to look for the one that wandered off? And if he finds it, truly I tell you, he is happier about that one sheep than about the ninety-nine that did not wander off. In the same way your Father in heaven is not willing that any of these little ones should perish."

Listening • How did you hear from God in your prayer time or through these verses? Did a specific word or phrase stand out to you? Write that below:

Grab Your Bible • Dig deeper into God's Word with today's reading plan from the Book of Common Prayer.

Psalm 102 Psalm 107:1-32 Matthew 18:10-20 Revelation 22:6-13

So What's Next? • God's heart is always seeking those who are wandering away from Him. Who do you know that seems like a wandering sheep? (Or is it you?) Take a moment to pray for them, that God's heart of love will break through whatever barriers exist.

NOVEMBER 25

Invitation • As you begin your time with God, take just a moment to invite Him to speak to you, both during your prayer, and through His Word. Use these words for your prayer if you need help getting started:

"God, I trust you and your Word. I want to grow closer to you today and better understand your promises to me. I commit this time to you and say 'yes' to what you reveal to me during this time. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Be Still and Quiet • Prepare your heart and mind for this time with the Lord. Close your eyes. Breathe in and say to yourself, "He is...". Exhale slowly and say to yourself, "...with me." Repeat this three times. When you're ready, open your eyes and begin reading the Word.

God's Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

Psalm 33:4-5
For the word of the Lord is right and true;
he is faithful in all he does.
The Lord loves righteousness and justice;
the earth is full of his unfailing love.

Matthew 18:21-22
Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?" Jesus answered, "I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times."

Listening • How did you hear from God in your prayer time or through these verses? Did a specific word or phrase stand out to you? Write that below:

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Psalm 33 Psalm 107:33-108:13 Isaiah 65:17-25 Matthew 18:21-35
Revelation 22:14-21

So What's Next? • Where do you see God's faithfulness in your life right now? Or do you have a situation in your life where you know He will be faithful but you haven't seen His answer yet? Look for an opportunity to share either one with a friend.

Journal • Take a few moments to respond to what God is telling you today, in your own words or images.

NOVEMBER 26

Invitation • As you begin your time with God, take just a moment to invite Him to speak to you, both during your prayer, and through His Word. Use these words for your prayer if you need help getting started:

"God, thank you for this time together. I want to know you better and grow in my faith. As I dive into your Word today, please meet me there. Reveal yourself to me through these verses and show me how to live out my faith. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Be Still and Quiet • Prepare your heart and mind for this time with the Lord. Close your eyes. Breathe in and say to yourself, "God is...". Exhale slowly and say to yourself, "my rock." Breathe in and say to yourself, "God is...". Exhale slowly and say to yourself, "my fortress." Repeat this 3 times. When you're ready, open your eyes and begin reading the Word.

God's Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

Psalm 145:8-9

*The Lord is gracious and compassionate,
slow to anger and rich in love.*

*The Lord is good to all;
he has compassion on all he has made.*

Romans 15:5-7

May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.

Listening • How did you hear from God in your prayer time or through these verses? Did a specific word or phrase stand out to you? Write that below:

Grab Your Bible • Dig deeper into God's Word with today's reading plan from the Book of Common Prayer.

Psalm 118

Psalm 145

Isaiah 19:19-25

Luke 19:11-27

Romans 15:5-13

So What's Next? • Is there someone in your church community who challenges the Jesus in you? Commit to praying for that person for one week and see how God changes your heart or the situation.

Journal • Take a few moments to respond to what God is telling you today, in your own words or images.

NOVEMBER 27

Invitation • As you begin your time with God, take just a moment to invite Him to speak to you, both during your prayer, and through His Word. Use these words for your prayer if you need help getting started:

"Lord, you are worthy of all my honor and praise. I need you today. Help me to be transformed by your presence. Reveal your will for me as I study your Word. I commit this time to you. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Be Still and Quiet • Prepare your heart and mind for this time with the Lord. Close your eyes. Breathe in for 4 seconds. Exhale for 8 seconds. Identify one thing that is distracting you, burdening you, or worrying you today. Breathe in and say to yourself, "Lord...". Breathe out and say to yourself, "I lay this down." Repeat as many times as you need for each distraction, burden, or worry today. When you're ready, open your eyes and begin reading the Word.

God's Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

Psalm 106:3

*Blessed are those who act justly,
who always do what is right.*

1 Peter 1:8-9

Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Listening • How did you hear from God in your prayer time or through these verses? Did a specific word or phrase stand out to you? Write that below:

Grab Your Bible • Dig deeper into God's Word with today's reading plan from the Book of Common Prayer.

Psalm 106

Joel 3:1-2

Joel 3:9-17

Matthew 19:1-12

1 Peter 1:1-12

So What's Next? • Are you or someone you know struggling with a decision right now? It's hard sometimes to do the right or just thing. Take a few moments to pray for strength to make that decision.

Journal • Take a few moments to respond to what God is telling you today, in your own words or images.

NOVEMBER 28

Invitation • As you begin your time with God, take just a moment to invite Him to speak to you, both during your prayer, and through His Word. Use these words for your prayer if you need help getting started:

"God, I trust you and your Word. I want to grow closer to you today and better understand your promises to me. I commit this time to you and say 'yes' to what you reveal to me during this time. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Be Still and Quiet • Prepare your heart and mind for this time with the Lord. Close your eyes. Breathe in and say to yourself, "He is...". Exhale slowly and say to yourself, "...with me." Repeat this three times. When you're ready, open your eyes and begin reading the Word.

God's Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

Psalm 121:1-2

*I lift up my eyes to the mountains—
where does my help come from?
My help comes from the Lord,
the Maker of heaven and earth.*

1 Peter 1:13-16

Therefore, with minds that are alert and fully sober, set your hope on the grace to be brought to you when Jesus Christ is revealed at his coming. As obedient children, do not conform to the evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance. But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; for it is written: "Be holy, because I am holy."

Listening • How did you hear from God in your prayer time or through these verses? Did a specific word or phrase stand out to you? Write that below:

Grab Your Bible • Dig deeper into God's Word with today's reading plan from the Book of Common Prayer.

Psalm 120-127

Nahum 1:1-13

Matthew 19:13-22

1 Peter 1:13-25

So What's Next? • Are you or someone you love struggling with a habit, addiction, or behavior that you know is not honoring to God? As you think about God's love and grace, ask Him to help you with it. Talk to another follower of Jesus this week about it.

Journal • Take a few moments to respond to what God is telling you today, in your own words or images.

NOVEMBER 29

Invitation • As you begin your time with God, take just a moment to invite Him to speak to you, both during your prayer, and through His Word. Use these words for your prayer if you need help getting started:

"God, thank you for this time together. I want to know you better and grow in my faith. As I dive into your Word today, please meet me there. Reveal yourself to me through these verses and show me how to live out my faith. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Be Still and Quiet • Prepare your heart and mind for this time with the Lord. Close your eyes. Breathe in and say to yourself, "God is...". Exhale slowly and say to yourself, "my rock." Breathe in and say to yourself, "God is...". Exhale slowly and say to yourself, "my fortress." Repeat this 3 times. When you're ready, open your eyes and begin reading the Word.

God's Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

Psalm 119:147

*I rise before dawn and cry for help;
I have put my hope in your word.*

1 Peter 2:1-3

Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind. Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Listening • How did you hear from God in your prayer time or through these verses? Did a specific word or phrase stand out to you? Write that below:

Grab Your Bible • Dig deeper into God's Word with today's reading plan from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalm 119:145-176
Matthew 19:23-30*

*Psalms 128-130
1 Peter 2:1-10*

Obadiah 15-21

So What's Next? • Spend an additional 5 minutes in prayer this morning, putting your hope in the Lord for whatever is on your heart. Reflect on this experience and consider adding 5 minutes to your prayer time all week.

Journal • Take a few moments to respond to what God is telling you today, in your own words or images.

NOVEMBER 30

Invitation • As you begin your time with God, take just a moment to invite Him to speak to you, both during your prayer, and through His Word. Use these words for your prayer if you need help getting started:

“Lord, you are worthy of all my honor and praise. I need you today. Help me to be transformed by your presence. Reveal your will for me as I study your Word. I commit this time to you. In Jesus’ name, Amen.”

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God’s Word • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Psalm 34:8-9
Taste and see that the Lord is good;
blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.*

*1 Corinthians 4:1-2 and 5
This, then, is how you ought to regard us: as servants of Christ and as those entrusted with the mysteries God has revealed. Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful...Therefore judge nothing before the appointed time; wait until the Lord comes. He will bring to light what is hidden in darkness and will expose the motives of the heart. At that time each will receive their praise from God.*

Listening • How did you hear from God in your prayer time or through these verses? Did a specific word or phrase stand out to you? Write that below:

Grab Your Bible • Dig deeper into God’s Word with today’s reading plan from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalm 34 Psalm 96 Psalm 100 Isaiah 49:1-6 John 1:35-42
1 Corinthians 4:1-16*

So What’s Next? • Have you been passing judgment on someone? Give it to the Lord and ask Him to help you trust in His just ways. Pray for that person.

Journal • Take a few moments to respond to what God is telling you today, in your own words or images.

CHECK IN

You made it! How was your month of focusing on God's word and listening to Jesus? We hope you encountered Jesus each and every day. Share your stories with SHV or Larkspur Church by emailing dpg@shvchurch.org and let us join you on your journey!

START THE JOURNEY

Maybe this month was filled with a connection to God that you've never experienced before, and you'd like to know more about who Jesus is and how he transforms lives. If so, we want to invite you to start the journey! Here's how:

Hear the good news of the Gospel

John 3:16-17

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Repent (meaning turn toward God & away from your old life) and believe

Mark 1:14-15

...Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. "The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!"

Believe and confess

Romans 10:9-10

If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved.

And finally, tell us so that we can celebrate with you!

Email dpg@shvchurch.org to let us know you've started the journey, or if you have any questions!