

# APRIL 2026 Prayer Guide



BANGLADESH



DAET, PHILIPPINES

"Any concern too small to be turned into a prayer is too small to be made into a burden."

Corrie ten Boom

## 01 Wednesday in Holy Week

Lord God, whose blessed Son, our Savior gave his body to be whipped and his face to be spit upon: Give us grace to accept joyfully the sufferings of the present time, confident of the glory that shall be revealed through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen. \*

## 02 Maundy Thursday

Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen. \*

## 03 Good Friday

Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross, who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen. \*

## 04 Holy Saturday

O God, Creator of heaven and earth: Grant that, as the crucified body of your dear Son was laid in the tomb and rested on this holy Sabbath, so may we await with him the coming of the third day and rise with him to newness of life, he who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen. \*

## 05 Easter Sunday

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen. \*



STEELE CREEK, NORTH CAROLINA, US



**06** **1 Peter 1:3-4a NIV**

The entirety of our Christian faith hinges on the resurrection of Christ. On the cross is where our Lord, Savior, and King is enthroned. On the cross he triumphantly defeats the forces of evil on behalf of all humanity. The empty tomb proves Jesus' victory over sin, death, and evil. He gives all people full access to God so that anyone who places their trust in Christ will live with God forever. Pray through Psalm 103. Give thanks to God for giving us new birth into everlasting life and a hope that will never fade away.

**07** **Bangladesh**

Gracious God, we praise you for the gift of new life we celebrate today in these eight baptisms. Thank you for drawing each one by your kindness and welcoming them into deeper fellowship with you. As they rise in the assurance of your grace, fill them with your Spirit and surround them with a community that reflects your love. May their lives bear witness to the joy of belonging to Christ and walking in his light.

**08** **Jacksonville, Florida, US**

Faithful Father, we praise you as the giver of love and the author of every good and beautiful gift. Thank you for the joy shared at this Sweetheart Dance, for laughter, friendship, and the celebration of relationships that reflect your kindness. In every conversation and every step across the floor, let your goodness be evident among us. May this evening strengthen bonds, renew affection, and remind us that all true love finds its source in you.

**09** **Papua New Guinea**

Good Shepherd, we rejoice in your tender care as we celebrate these three baptisms today. Thank you for calling each one by name and leading them into the waters as a sign of your faithful love. As they rise, fill them with fresh joy in belonging to Christ and anchor them in the assurance that nothing can separate them from your grace. Let their lives shine as living testimonies of your redeeming work among us.

**10** **Surrey Hills, Oklahoma, US**

Merciful Lord, we praise you for stirring hearts to say yes to deeper fellowship and joyful service. Thank you for this gathering where members are connecting, discovering their gifts, and offering themselves for the sake of your mission. You are building your church through willing hands and open hearts, and we rejoice in the work you are doing among us. May the joy experienced here inspire many others to step forward, trust your leading, and find their place in the life we share together in Christ.

**11** **Grace Communion International**

Creator, we are grateful for all our Avenue champions. Thank you for the gifts you have given them. Help them as they develop, equip, and lead the ministry workers on their team. May your love and grace overflow from them as they minister.

**12** **Grace Communion Ministry Teams**

Gracious God, it is a joy to join in your ministry. We thank you for all the volunteers who have answered your call to serve in GCI congregations. We ask that you sustain them, and may they experience your love in meaningful ways. We pray for fresh starts after a year of many new challenges. Fill your people anew with energy and passion for your name.

**13** **Luke 24:30-31 NIV**

On the road to Emmaus, Jesus' weary disciples encounter the risen Christ. But they are kept from recognizing him until Jesus breaks bread with them. These disciples are forever changed by this encounter. Jesus points the Scriptures to himself and reignites their hope in the Messiah. Practice slowing down this week and take Communion on your own at least once right before a meal. Pray for our Lord Jesus to continue to be revealed and transfigured before you as he truly is. May you learn to live as one who has seen the Lord, walking in resurrection hope and sharing his peace.

**14** **GCI-Malaysia**

Religious tensions are rising currently as extremist Islamic groups are organizing a rally to protest against 'illegal' Hindu temples. They are calling for temples to be demolished thereby raising religious and racial tensions. The authorities have not taken any action to curtail this so far and we pray that no violence erupts. If these extremists have their way, it is only a matter of time before they target Christians here. Bangladesh and Nepal need stable and effective governments to foster peace. This helps our congregations to be more active. Remember all these in prayer.

**15** **GCI-Philippines**

Sovereign Lord, we lift our voices in praise for this District Directors Conference and for the faithful leaders you have called to serve in this region. Thank you for the wisdom, perseverance, and humility you are forming in them as they shepherd your people. Pour out fresh vision, unity, and courage as they listen for your guidance together. Bless the leaders and every member in this region with renewed hope, deep fellowship, and joyful participation in the work you are accomplishing through them.



**16 Big Sandy, Texas, US**

Loving Father, we thank you for this gathering of women who come together in fellowship and creativity. As hands arrange flowers and hearts share stories, let your presence be the sweetest fragrance in the room. Knit these women together in encouragement, trust, and joy as they reflect your beauty in their friendships. May this time of crafting deepen their faith and strengthen the bonds of fellowship within your church.

**17 Grove City, Ohio, US**

Mighty God, we praise you for the opportunity to gather and learn through this self-defense class. Thank you for equipping your people with strength and awareness, and for the confidence that comes from wise preparation. As skills are practiced and knowledge is gained, remind each participant that their true security rests in your faithful presence. Guard their hearts and minds, and let this time together build courage and deeper fellowship within your church.

**18 Grace Communion International**

Today we pray for the upcoming generation. Give them hope and a future. Remind these young people that no matter what their circumstances are, you knew and planned for them before they were even born. Give them the passion to live with a deep sense of purpose as your beloved children.

**19 Prayer for Kingdom Revelation**

God of all grace, you have called us to be lights in the world, reflecting the love of Christ in both great and ordinary moments. May our lives be a witness to your kingdom — through acts of kindness, words of encouragement, and a spirit of compassion in daily life. Teach us to see every interaction as an opportunity to reveal your love, so that in our workplaces, homes, and neighborhoods, others may encounter your presence.

**20 Psalm 23:1 NLT**

Our Lord Jesus is the Good Shepherd who takes care of all our wants and needs. Having him as our Shepherd is precisely all we need. God himself rested from all his work of creating to sit back and enjoy the goodness of his creation. How much more should we? Prayerfully set aside an intentional period of time this week to practice our Sabbath rest in Christ. Take time to stop work and worry in order to rest and abide in Christ, our Shepherd. Resist the urge to get things done. Instead, let God be God. Enjoy resting in the presence of God. Abide in the Good Shepherd's intimate care for you.



**21 Daet, Philippines**

Gracious Lord, we lift before you the Daet congregation as they seek your wisdom and discernment in their ministry. Let their love abound more and more, grounded in truth and shaped by spiritual understanding. Guide their leaders and members as they seek what is excellent in your sight, and fill their life together with the fruit that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of your name.

**22 Cape Town, RSA**

Holy Lord, with grateful hearts we rejoice in these two who enter the waters of baptism. Thank you for calling them by name and claiming them as your own. Root them deeply in your steadfast love and lead them to grow in trust, courage, and obedience. May their testimony strengthen this fellowship and bring glory to your name.

**23 Glendora, California, US**

Lord of Wisdom, we praise you for the gift of this 5 Voices Equipping Workshop and for the hearts that gathered with openness to grow. Thank you for the six members who participated and for the hospitality that made space for learning and discovery. You are forming your people to listen well and serve with greater clarity. May the insights gained continue to strengthen this congregation and deepen their shared ministry in Christ.



**24 Cleveland, Ohio, US**

Faithful Father, we thank you for the gift of this LiLY Women's Conference and for the women gathering over these next two days. Go before them in every session and conversation, drawing each heart closer to you. Refresh those who are weary and awaken fresh confidence in your calling on their lives. May this time be marked by deep encouragement and a clearer vision of your faithful love at work among them.



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## 25 Tegucigalpa, Honduras

Please join us in praying for wisdom and discernment of our ministry. "And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God." Philippians 1:9-11

## 26 Prayer for Peace

Holy God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, by the power of your love, lead us to a clearer vision of your presence and lead the nations into ways of unity and peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## 27 Psalm 118:8-9 NIV

There are many good things in life that are blessings: friends, family, education, career, health. These things aren't inherently bad in and of themselves. But they can easily distract us from what is of eternal value, sitting at the feet of Jesus and listening to his words. What are some things that you might be putting first over spending quality time with God? Set aside some time this week for silence and solitude with the Lord. Get away from noise and distraction. Confess to Jesus whatever you need to trust him with. And choose to receive his amazing grace and love for you.

## 28 Steele Creek, North Carolina, US

Compassionate Lord, we praise you for the joy and generosity shared through Flip the Fit. Thank you for neighbors gathering, families receiving what they need, and children delighting in simple fun together. Your heart for the community is on display in every act of kindness and every shared smile. May this event reflect your abundant care and draw many into deeper fellowship with one another and with you.

## 29 GCI-Bangladesh

Holy God, we praise you for the gift of gathering and for the eighty-five women who have come together in your name. Thank you for the faith, courage, and devotion you are shaping in each life. As they worship, listen, and share, let your Spirit move gently among them and deepen their trust in you. May this time strengthen their fellowship and renew their joy in serving Christ together.



CAPE TOWN, RSA

## 30 Luzon, Philippines

Everlasting King, we thank you for the gift of this Weekend Youth Camp and for the young lives gathering over these next few days. Go before every activity and conversation, and make your presence known in ways that are personal and life giving. Guard each student and leader, and awaken a deeper trust in your love. May these days shape faith that endures and friendships that reflect your grace.



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BIG SANDY, TEXAS, US

\* Holy Week Prayers are from the Book of Common Prayer: Episcopal Church. (1979). The Book of common prayer and administration of the sacraments and other rites and ceremonies of the church: together with the Psalter or Psalms of David according to the use of the Episcopal Church. New York: Seabury Press, Calendars with Holidays - USA