



# **#LPUMCFocus2020**

## **Prayer Campaign**

6:00 PM Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup>

to 6:00 PM Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>

Thank you for being part of the #LPUMCFocus2020 24-hour Prayer Campaign. This is a time for our Longs Peak United Methodist Church family to ask for God's guidance during transition and change, and as we work towards reinvigoration and resurgence of our church's mission.

The purposes of our campaign are:

1. To pray for Pastor Steve and Tracy as they transition to their new home and new ministry
2. To pray for our new minister, Rev. Jeremiah Harris and his wife Rev. Lee Anderson-Harris as they transition to LPUMC.
3. To pray for our LPUMC future vision, mission, and focus

Please pray as you felt lead by the Holy Spirit. We have provided some prayers here that you are welcome to use for guidance and ideas. A Prayer Response Box is available in the narthex in which you may share anything that the Lord put on your heart as you were praying when you come to worship this Sunday.

Thank you, again, for being part of the 24-hour Prayer Campaign.

## A Prayer for Our Congregation

O gracious God, I ask that you bless Longs Peak United Methodist Church and enlarge our border, and that your hand might be with us, and that you would keep us from hurt and harm.

I pray for the spiritual and emotional healing of this congregation. May your Spirit so fill us that we are able to forgive those who have hurt us and leave behind old quarrels. Inspire our hearts to new levels of love and trust so that we may become a living and visible example of your Kingdom.

I pray your Spirit be upon the leaders of our congregation, that they may be able to discern your will and help us move in the directions you would have us go.

I pray for our youth ministries and for those who serve on our Christian Education Committee. May the Spirit enable and lift up teachers for our Sunday school and leaders for our youth groups. May our youth be filled with your Spirit and make the faith their own.

I ask these things, O God, even as I give you thanks for all that Jesus and his Church have been in my life. May all who worship with us find the peace, love, comfort, and strength that are ours as your children.

Amen

## For Our Pastors

Dear Father In Heaven,

I can't say enough words to thank You for the leaders you've placed in pastoral roles in my church. I pray that You would continue to mold them into the children You have called them to be. Grow their intellect. Empower them to be bold. Give them peace in the midst of difficult sermons to preach. Lead them Father, as they continue to lead the congregation for You! Lord, You are sovereign over all things and I pray that You will open the hearts of this congregation as our leaders lead us in song and sermon. Thank You for them, Father! Amen

## My Church Family

Dear Lord,

Thank You for leading me to my church family! I am surrounded by many close brothers and sisters in Christ that I love with my whole heart. I pray that as we get older and closer that we will never lose sight of what brought us together and that was You, Father. I pray that You watch over them and keep them safe, Lord. May we always be accountable to one another and never demean one another but always encourage each other in the times of blessing and of trials. I thank You for my brothers and sisters, Lord!

I love You! Amen

## The Workers Are Few

And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. (Luke 10:2)

Dear Lord,

Our congregation is struggling so much. Some who are leading are exhausted because they are being stretched so far. I pray that You will convict others to rise up and help serve according to their gifts. We need more worship leaders, teachers, greeters and other positions to be filled. Lord, so many want to be fed the Word of God. I pray that You will bring about a passion in the hearts of those in our congregation who are yearning to do something to grow and nurture the church. I pray for strength for the ones that are giving so much to keep the church running. Be with them, Father.

Amen

## Those In Conflict

Oh Lord,

The church has been the same since its beginning. There have been disputes among believers since the beginning. Paul opposed Peter in Galatia. (Galatians 2:11-14) Paul reminded the church of Philippi to do nothing out of rivalry (Philippians 2:3). There is a reason why You are in charge, Father. We could never keep order in the church without Your presence there. Father, I pray for those in conflict right now that they would not give the devil a foothold in their lives, but that they would come together in Your Name to resolve any conflicts between them. I pray that You will be glorified in everything they do. I pray this in Your Son's precious Name! Amen

## Those Whom Are Ill

Father In Heaven,

I pray for those who are hurting in my church family today. Lord, some have minor health problems while others have some very serious ones. I pray that You will be with them and heal them, Father. You are the Great Physician and I believe in Your power to heal! Lord, please give peace to those who are in the midst of serious health issues. Father, I pray that they turn to You and know that You are right there beside them in their time of crisis. May Your will be done in their lives this day. Amen

## For Health and Healing

Almighty God,

you are the only source of health and healing.

In you there is calm, and the only true peace in the universe.

Grant to each one of us your children an awareness of your presence, and give us perfect confidence in you.

In all pain and weariness and anxiety teach us to yield ourselves to your never failing care, knowing that your love and power surround us, trusting in your wisdom and providence to give us health and strength and peace when your time is best; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

*Source: The Nazarene, Vols. 7-9, 1922*

## A Prayer for Healing and Grace

Dear God,

We confess our need for you today. We need your healing and your grace. We need hope restored. We need to be reminded that you work on behalf of those you love, constantly, powerfully, completely. Forgive us for trying to fix our situations all on our own. Forgive us for running all different directions and spinning our wheels to find help, when true help and healing must be found first in You. Forgive us for forgetting how much we need you, above everyone and everything else. We come to you and bring you the places we are hurting. You see where no one else is able to fully see or understand. You know the pain we've carried. The burdens. The cares. You know where we need to be set free. We ask for your healing and grace to cover every broken place. Every wound. Every heartache. Thank you that you are able to do far more than we could ever imagine. Thank you for your Mighty Power that acts on behalf of your children. We reach out to you, and know that you are restoring and redeeming every place of difficulty, every battle, for your greater glory. Thank you that you will never waste our pain and suffering. We love you. We need you today. In **Jesus'** Name, Amen

~ Debbie McDaniel

## **A Prayer to Heal from Depression**

Lord, it seems as if my world has collapsed, hurling me into a deep, dark pit. I come to you in complete surrender. I am desperate for you, helpless and afraid. Please lift me out of this pit and show me the way, Lord. In Jesus' name, Amen

*~ Mary Southerland*

## **A Prayer to Heal the Hurt**

Father, help me get my focus back on you.  
I know I need to stop dwelling on my hurts and frustrations.  
Help me be faithful in prayer and put my hope in you.  
May the Holy Spirit guide and comfort and strengthen me.  
In Jesus' name, Amen.

*~ Living Free Every Day Devotional*

## **Renew My Mind, Body and Soul**

Lord, I come before you today in need of your healing hand. In you all things are possible. Hold my heart within yours, and renew my mind, body, and soul.

I am lost, but I come to you with grace. You gave us life, and you also give us the gift of infinite joy. Give me the strength to move forward on the path you've laid out for me.

Guide me towards better health, and give me the wisdom to identify those you've placed around me to help me get better. In your name I pray, Amen.

## A Prayer for Forgiveness

Dear God, I'm sorry for my sin.

I \_\_\_\_\_ (what you did), which was a sin against you, as well as a sin against \_\_\_\_\_ (who you hurt). Please help me turn from this behavior.

I will begin \_\_\_\_\_ (how you'll change) instead of what I have done. Please forgive me and help me to grow in my relationship to you and \_\_\_\_\_, whom I've hurt. Thank you for your love and mercy. Thank you for forgiving me and choosing to forget my sin. In Jesus' name, Amen.

~ Sue Schlesman

*The church has many functions and it is a job for us all to be in prayer. Whatever issues your congregation is facing, pray about them. Pray for your brothers and sisters in Christ. Pray for those you don't know well. Just as we are washed by the Word, we can cover the church congregation with prayers and petitions before God. May God bless you as you continue to live a life worthy of the calling!*

The above material can be found in  
**6 Prayers For A Church Family or Congregation** by Derek Hill,  
[www.whatchristianswanttoknow.com/6-prayers-for-a-church-family-or-congregation](http://www.whatchristianswanttoknow.com/6-prayers-for-a-church-family-or-congregation)

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[www.christianity.com/wiki/prayer/healing-prayers.html](http://www.christianity.com/wiki/prayer/healing-prayers.html)