

PRAY EVERY DAY April 30, 2023 Resource

Praying the Psalms: Psalm 23:1-3 (NRSV)

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside the still waters;
 he restores my soul.
He leads me in right paths
 for his name's sake.

A prayer of Richard of Chichester, 13th cent.

Thanks be to thee, O Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits which thou hast given us; for all the pains and insults which thou hast borne for us. O most merciful Redeemer, friend, and brother, may we know thee more clearly, love thee more dearly, and follow thee more nearly, for thine own sake. Amen.

The Bible in a Year with KUMC

This plan is available at KUMC and on the church website. This plan can be started at any time.

Small Group or personal study

- What was your furthest moment from God this week?
- What was your closest moment to God this week?
- Read Acts 2:42-47.
- This Acts passage is a snapshot of life together in the early church. What behavior, practices, or habits are listed here?
 - What seems to be the frequency that people did those things (daily, weekly, monthly, etc.)?
 - How does our congregation or how do you share some of those habits?
 - What is the frequency with which our congregation or you practice Acts 2 activities?
 - Notice that in the midst of those Acts 2 practices “the LORD added to their number those who were being saved.” God is still adding people to the number of those in the people of God (the Church) today. Notice the addition here is not to something like a weekly worship service, such as Sunday morning 11:00 AM. The addition is to the lives of disciples who are following Jesus together in daily life as a community. How ready are we for God to add to the number of people in our congregation and life together?

Spend time in silence

Prayer for others and yourself

The Lord's Prayer

Share the Love of Jesus because It's All about Relationships

How will you or how did you share the love of Jesus with neighbor today with no strings attached?

Praying the Psalms: Psalm 23:4-6 (NRSV)

Even though I walk through the darkest valley,

I fear no evil;
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff—
they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD
my whole life long.