

Veritas Church Household Worship Guide

Week Beginning 18th August 2025

This is meant to be a help not a burden. Perhaps you could begin with just one or two elements of this, on one or two days of the week, and go from there. Better to start small than not at all!

Scripture Reading

This week's sermon was on Psalm 5. Read the text together. What points can you remember from the sermon on Sunday? How can you apply what you learned?

The Heidelberg Catechism

Question 116 - Why is prayer necessary for Christians? A - Because prayer is the most important part of the thankfulness which God requires of us. Moreover, God will give his grace and the Holy Spirit only to those who constantly and with heartfelt longing ask him for these gifts and thank him for them.

Question 117 - What belongs to a prayer which pleases God and is heard by him? A - First, we must from the heart call upon the one true God only, who has revealed himself in his Word, for all that he has commanded us to pray. Second, we must thoroughly know our need and misery, so that we may humble ourselves before God. Third, we must rest on this firm foundation that, although we do not deserve it, God will certainly hear our prayer for the sake of Christ our Lord, as he has promised us in his Word.

Question 118 - What has God commanded us to ask of him? A - All the things we need for body and soul, as included in the prayer which Christ our Lord himself taught us.

Question 119 - What is the Lord's prayer? A - Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever, Amen.

Prayer

For one another (James 5:16)

This week, please pray for **the Butterfields**

For kings and those in authority (1 Timothy 2:2)

This week, please pray for **Prime Minister Sir Keir Starmer**

For the work of the gospel beyond our church (Matthew 9:37-38)

This week, please pray for **Burton & Holme Churches (Graham Burrows)**

For those who feed, lead, and care for the flock (Colossians 4:3)

This week, please pray for **Andy Carter and family**

Song of The Month

This month's song is Psalm 5. We will be learning to sing this in parts on a Sunday morning soon! You can hear the tune on YouTube here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_Zy6UfrN4as&list=PLNujQ3c94hin8BpTnrbEBPwVN67mptEps&index=1

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Psalm 5

Joseph Parry
(1841-1903)

To the Chief Musician. With Flutes. A Psalm of David

O JE - HO - VAH hear my words; to my thoughts at - ten - tive be.
Tru - ly Thou art not a God that in sin doth take de - light;
But in Thine a - bun - dant grace to Thy house will I re - pair;
For they flat - ter with their tongue; in their mouth no truth is found;
But let all that trust Thy care ev - er glad and joy - ful be;

Hear my cry, my King, my God, for I make my prayer to Thee.
ev - il shall not dwell with Thee, nor the proud stand in Thy sight.
look - ing to Thy ho - ly place, in Thy fear I'll wor - ship there.
like an o - pen grave their throat; all their thoughts with sin a - bound.
let them joy who love Thy name, for they guard - ed are by Thee.

With the morn - ing light, O LORD, Thou shalt hear my voice and cry;
Ev - il do - ers Thou dost hate; li - ars Thou wilt bring to naught.
Since, O LORD, mine en - e - mies for my soul do lie in wait,
Hold them guilt - y, O my God; them for all their sins ex - pel;
And a bless - ing rich, O LORD, to the right - eous Thou wilt yield;

in the morn my prayer ar - range and keep con - stant watch will I.
God ab - hors the man who loves and deed of blood or ly - ing thought.
lead me in Thy right - eous - ness; make Thy way be - fore me straight.
let them fall by their own craft, for a - gainst Thee they re - bel.
Thou wilt com - pass him a - bout with Thy fav - our as a shield.

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