

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. WELCOME

If this is your first time, please fill out a **Connection Card** to get connected.

2. FAMILY FORUM

August 30 after service

3. CHURCH NEW LOCATION (OCT 2026)

Please keep praying as we look for a new location to worship.



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August 16, 2026

ORDER OF SERVICE

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PRAISE*

SERMON*

PRAYER

BENEDICTION

*For praise and the reading of God's Word,
please stand if you are able.

OFFERING

Cash: Use the offering envelope

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E-transfer: **OFFICE@LPD-EFCC.CA**, and write down "**Sonflower**" in the memo along with your Legal name and address for tax receipts.

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Please pray for church's finance to continue ministry.

July core offerings: \$2,055.71

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Matthew 6:5-15

[5] “And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. [6] But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

[7] “And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. [8] Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. [9] Pray then like this:

“Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

[10] Your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

[11] Give us this day our daily bread,

[12] and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

[13] And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

[14] For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, [15] but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. (ESV)

Reflection Questions:

1. **The Father sees** — “The secret of praying is to pray in secret.” How much time do you spend praying alone? How does the sermon and the Lord’s prayer challenge you this week in terms of praying privately?
2. **The Father hears** — Do you pray with the conviction that God is genuinely listening, or does prayer sometimes feel like shouting into silence? What’s one prayer you’ve stopped praying because you doubted you’d be heard? Take a moment to pray that prayer to God.
3. **The Father cares** — If you truly believed God already knows what you need before you ask, how would that change the way you pray this week? How would that change the way you see your difficulties?

22. Citizens of the Kingdom: True Praying

Prayer

1. We can truly pray because the Father _____

2. We can truly pray because the Father _____

3. We can truly pray because the Father _____

“The secret of praying is praying in secret.” — Leonard Ravenhill