

Liturgical Expression

Types of Prayer

1. Written
2. Studied
3. Directed
4. Bidding
5. Extemporaneous

Covenant Church: Prayer Initiative (Spring 2022)

- Prior to that Spring, there was a desire to be faithful to Scripture and to our BCO.
- Previous efforts had been made for more robust intercessory prayer.
- Three models for the Prayer Initiative at Covenant (Spring 2022)
 - Bucer-based Model (5 Petitions)
 - Lectionary-based Model (4 Petitions)
 - Lord's Prayer Model (6 Petitions)

Covenant Church: Prayer Initiative (Spring 2022)

Bucer-based Model (5 Petitions)

We pray for...

Civil authorities (1 Timothy 2:1-2)

The ministry of the gospel (Ephesians 6:18-19)

The conversion of the lost (1 Timothy 2:3-8)

Those facing sickness and adversity (James 5:13-18)

The sanctification of God's people (Philippians 1:9-11)

Bucer-based Model (5 Petitions)

Almighty, heavenly Father, you have promised us through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, that whatsoever we ask in his name, you will grant unto us. You have commanded us to petition you for all people, and especially for those in authority: so we come before you, dear faithful Father, through your Son our Savior, to pray for our President and Governor, for all representatives and senators, judges and justices, and also for the magistrates of this city. Grant your Spirit and a godly fear to those whom you have set over us as rulers in your place, that they may administer their office to your honor and according to your will, in order that your children everywhere may lead calm and quiet lives, in all godliness and propriety.

Bucer-based Model (5 Petitions)

We pray for all whose duty it is to proclaim your holy Word and be pastors of your Church. Grant them your Word and Spirit that they may serve you in such a way that all of your elect may be gathered unto you, and that those who already bear your name and are counted as Christians may live agreeably to your call, to the glory and the edification of your Church.

We pray for those who do not yet apprehend the holy Gospel, but remain in error and depravity. Enlighten their eyes that they also may recognize you as their God and Creator, and be converted to your will.

Bucer-based Model (5 Petitions)

We pray also for those facing sickness and adversity. Enable them to perceive your gracious hand and accept discipline for their improvement, that in your grace you may impart to them comfort and help.

Heavenly Father, we pray also for those who are gathered here. Enable us to understand that we live and move and have our being in you. Draw our hearts and souls to your Son, so that we may receive his love with living faith and eternal gratitude, and therefore die to all evil more and more each day, grow and increase in all goodness, and lead our lives in all propriety, patience, and love toward our neighbor.

Lectionary-based Model (4 Petitions)

We pray for the church...

Help us to confess with our lips,
believe in our hearts, and show in our lives
that Christ Jesus is our risen Lord... (pause for silent prayer)
Have mercy, O God; **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the world...

Let the power of the gospel go forth to people in every nation of the
earth. Give your people boldness to share the good news of Christ in
word and deed that many may know the joy of your salvation...
Have mercy, O God; **hear our prayer.**

Lectionary-based Model (4 Petitions)

We pray for this community...

Let us be your hands and feet, bringing love and mercy to those in need and lifting up those who are falling...

Have mercy, O God; **hear our prayer.**

We pray for loved ones...

Deliver and protect them,
be with them in their trouble,
and satisfy them with long life...

Have mercy, O God; **hear our prayer.**

Lord's Prayer Model (6 Petitions)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name...

(prayers of adoration and thanksgiving)

Your kingdom come...

(prayers of longing for God's kingdom to come in power)

Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven...

(prayers for peace on earth)

Lord's Prayer Model (6 Petitions)

Give us today our daily bread...

(prayers for the needs of the community)

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us...

(prayers for interpersonal reconciliation)

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

(prayers for the world and personal struggles with temptation and evil)










For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.
Amen.

Covenant Church: Continued Evolution (Summer and Fall 2022)

- Placement in the service
 - End of the Gathering fold as a response to Community Life
- A Pivot into the Word
 - Prayer for Illumination

Covenant Church: Current Practice (January and February 2023)

- Typically led by a staff member or a church member without a congregational response (“Lord, in your mercy; hear our prayer.”)
- Typically uses the 4-petition model:
Church, World, Community, Loved Ones

PRE-SERVICE		
30:00	<i>Doors Open and Slides</i> Pre-Service slides and Music	
GATHERING		
1:29	Worship Intro "Shine Your Light" video	
0:20	Greeting Paxson	
1:00	Call to Worship Matthew 5:14-16 (ESV)	 1
5:25	Lay Me Down 	 6
4:29	Same God 	 5
2:00	Prayer of Confession Based on Isaiah 58:1-12	 1
3:51	Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery 	 6
2:00	Dismiss Children Greeting Time Paxson	

☰ COMMUNITY LIFE & PRAYER

Welcome & Announcements

Jonathan

- ☰ 3:00
 - Digital Connect Card
 - Giving online or in-person
 - Lord's Supper | Sunday, February 12
 - Game Night | Sunday, February 12 | 4:30-6pm | Adults 55 & Middle School youth
 - Transition to Lockmar ES, Sunday, Mar 5 | Last Sunday at PCCA, Sunday, Feb 26

Tomoka Food Pantry Video & Highlight

Jonathan

Prayer of Intercession

Jonathan



End of Gathering Fold, Response to Community Life

☰ WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Jonathan



Pivot into the Word

Scripture Reading (Sermon Text)

Jonathan | Joshua 7:1-6, 10-14, 16a, 18b-21, 24-25 (ESV)

Sermon

Jerry

☰ RESPONSE

Verbal Transition

Paxson

I Speak Jesus E

⋮ SENDING

⋮ 1:00 **Benediction**
Jerry | Care & Connect tables | Stack chairs

⋮ POST-SERVICE

⋮ 10:00 *Exit and Slides*
Post-Service Slides and Music

Lake Baldwin Church: Practical and Pastoral Considerations

- (1) Length and Leadership - How long will the prayer last and who will lead? Elders, staff, lay people?
- (2) Trial and Error - What works best in our context? Which models will we use? Are our prayers too rigid and liturgical? Are they too spontaneous, defaulting to the familiar words and categories?
- (3) Participation and Formation - How are we engaging and shaping our people? Is Scripture woven into our prayers?
- (4) Global and Local – Are we praying for current world events? Are we naming specific people and places; local, national, and global leaders?

Intercessory Prayer Resources

- *Book of Common Worship*, 1993, 2018
- *Book of Common Prayer*, 1979
- *The Worship Sourcebook*, 2004
- *Revised Common Lectionary Prayers*, 2002
- *Feasting on the Word: Worship Companion*, 2013
- *Intercessions for the Christian People*, Edited by Gail Ramshaw, 1988
- *Worship in the Shape of Scripture*, F. Russell Mitman, 2001
- *Shaping the Prayer of the People: The Art of Intercession*, 2014
- *When We Gather*, James Kirk, 2001
- *Leading in Prayer*, Hughes Oliphant Old, 1995