

**Church Prayer Gathering**  
**Wednesday April 5, 2023**  
**6:30-7:30 PM**

“...how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.”  
~ 1 Thessalonians 1:9-10

“He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”  
~ Revelation 21:4

“Death, be not proud, though some have called thee // Mighty and dreadful, for thou art not so; For those whom thou think’st thou dost overthrow // Die not, poor Death, nor yet canst thou kill me... // One short sleep past, we wake eternally // And death shall be no more; Death, thou shalt die.”  
~ John Donne

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship:** (Psalm 130:1, 5-8)

**Leader: Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD! O LORD, hear my voice!**

People: I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.

**Leader: O Israel, hope in the LORD!**

All: For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption. And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

**Prayer**

**Song:** *Man of Sorrows*

**Bible Teaching** (*Isaiah 25:6-9*)

**Rev. Barr Overcast**

## **Group Prayer Time**

*(Take the liberty to move through these needs as you feel led.)*

### **Target Groups**

All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations... ~ Matthew 28:18-19a

~ Spend time praying for people in your target groups

- For God to help you move your relationships forward—toward the proclamation of Christ
- For God to draw near to those far from him
- For God to break down your fear and apathy so that you can enjoy your call to Gospel proclamation

### **Lament**

My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and appear before God? My tears have been my food day and night, while they say to me all the day long, “Where is your God?”

~ Psalm 42:2-3

~ Spend time lamenting the brokenness and loss in the world that comes because of sin and the fall

- death and loss
- pain and sickness
- your own sin and the sin of others
- broken relationships

## **Thanksgiving**

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever. ~ Psalm 136:1

~ Spend time thanking God for the many blessings we receive from Him (for His grace, love, sustenance, etc).

- For Easter and Christ’s death and resurrection
- For a wonderful turnout and a joyful time together at the Easter egg hunt last week

~ Feel free to share your personal reasons for thanksgiving.

### **Supplication**

Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you. ~ 1 Pet. 5:7

~ Pray for:

- Christ to come quickly and bring an end to the pain, loss, and suffering of this life
- Paula and Toby Blackwell
- Covenant School and Covenant Pres in Nashville and those who lost loved ones in the recent shooting
- For God to raise up two families at Westminster to go to the mission field

~ Feel free to share your needs.

## **(7:25) Concluding Corporate Prayer**

**(7:26 PM) Song:**     *He Will Hold Me Fast*

## **Benediction**

☞ 3/01 Hot Spot: *Chick-fil-A on Dawsonville Hwy*

(The next prayer gathering will be **May 3rd** at 6:30 pm)