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What is prayer, and how does one pray? Prayer has been a part of every religion and is practiced differently by various different groups. According to the dictionary, prayer is "spiritual communion with God or an object of worship, as in supplication, thanksgiving, adoration, or confession." Christian prayer is, thus, prayer that is not *only* communication, but also communion/fellowship with GOD that involves asking, thanking, adoring, and confession. In addition, Christian prayer also involves *listening* for the still small voice of GOD.

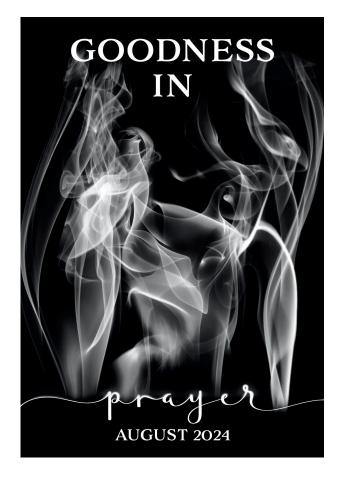
There was a time when Jesus' disciples asked Him to teach them how to pray, Just like John the Baptist had taught his disciples how to pray (Luke 11:1-13). Writing about the same instance, Matthew records Jesus' instruction to His disciples on prayer in the

great Sermon on the Mount. He instructs them to pray like this...

"Our Father in heaven,
may your name be kept holy.
May your Kingdom come soon.
May your will be done on earth,
as it is in heaven.
Give us today the food we need,
and forgive us our sins,
as we have forgiven those
who sin against us.
And don't let us yield to temptation,
but rescue us from the evil one.

Over the course of this month, we will be exploring each element in the LORD's Prayer and learning to pray as Jesus instructed His disciples to pray. Make sure to not miss a message.

In addition to learning how to pray, my prayer is that you will learn to also hear the voice of GOD in your time of communion and fellowship with Him. Looking forward to seeing you in August!



August Sermons

August 4 "Our Father" Matthew 6:9 (NLT)

Key Point "GOD is holy and the only One to whom we should pray."

August 11 "Kingdom Come" Matthew 6:10 (NLT) Key Point "GOD's Kingdom and will are perfect."

August 18 "Give and Forgive" Matthew 6:11-12 (NLT)
Key Point "Our trust in GOD is the means for provision from Him and forgiveness in Him."

August 25 "Rescue Us" Matthew 6:13 (NLT)

Key Point "GOD allows His people to be tested, but is always the way of deliverance."

If you would like to be baptized, please email info@northmaincog.org to sign up. There will also be a mandatory Baptism Class on the Sunday before, August 25th, at 9 am for anyone being baptized.

Join us for our Sunday Service starting at 10:30, feel free to come early to get coffee and donuts at our Gathering Place.



CONNECTION LUNCHEON

September 1, 2024

Pulled Pork, Nachos & Cheese, Salad, and Root Beer Floats.

Cost: \$6/Adult, \$4/child or maximum of \$20/household





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Family Hike & Picnic

10:00 AM



Everyone is welcome to join us for our annual family hike in Parker, PA. We'll start at 10:00 am and hike for an easy to moderate 3-4 hike along the creek. Meeting spot is Bartow Road in Parker PA 16049 which is about 40 minutes from the church. After our hike, we'll cook hotdogs on the fire & enjoy a picnic together. Kids can play in the creek along the way, so you might want to bring dry shoes.

Scan the QR code for the pin to the address

04

Annual Business Meeting

@12:30 PM

If you consider North Main your church home, please plan on staying after service as we will be going over our annual report, the new budget for the upcoming fiscal year, and ratifying new board members. The date was moved to August this year due to a conflict with WPA Camp Meeting dates. Typically it is held the last Sunday of July.

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Guatemala Info Meeting

@12:00pm

We're excited to offer you this opportunity to join us January 4-11, 2025 in Guatemala. Come learn more about where we're going, what we're doing, and how much the trip will cost. Please RSVP at the Welcome Center or by emailing info@northmaincog.org.



All Students in Grades 6-12 are welcome. Invite your friends!

August 1

6p-9p

Youth Movie Night @ North Main

August 10

1-5pm

Join us at Pastor Matt's house. Bring your swim suit! They have a Pond, Zipline, and will have outdoor games and activities for everyone.

555 Marwood Rd. Cabot, PA 16023

August 22nd

6p-9p

Gargoyle Night @ North Main

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Father's Table

@6:30 PM

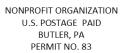
A monthly women's fellowship time that encourages holistic growth with Jesus and healthy connection with ourselves and others! Teens are welcome if present with an adult. Usually meets the second Wednesday of each month. Meet us at 6:30pm in the Parlor and bring a dish to share.

For questions or more info call the church office or Connie Gratzer at **ConnieG@northmaincog.org**



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North Main will order the books on Wednesday, August 14th. Please make sure to sign up before then.

If you're experiencing financial difficulties, please email MarylouP@northmaincog.org for scholarship information before ordering.

An Invitation to Solitude and Silence by Ruth Haley Barton