

Finger Labyrinth

Trace the path to the heart of the labyrinth and reflect on what God might be saying.



The Lord's Prayer

Jesus teaches us that anyone can pray!

God wants to hear from us in our own words. If we find ourselves lacking the words, Jesus gave us a prayer to pray, we call it the Lord's Prayer. Take a moment to pray it together as a family:

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.

Amen.



Prayer Vigil

2022 Prayer Guide for Families & Children

NOVEMBER 8



As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord. —Joshua 24:15

But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

Jeremiah 29:7

Prayer Outline & Suggetions

THANKSGIVING

Everything we learn and experience can be turned into a thanksgiving prayer. Nothing is too big or too small for our God. We can begin with things we love - colors, animals, flowers, trees, the beach, Mom, Dad, siblings, pets, homes, food, restaurants, books, words, stories, games, etc. We can thank God for our country and for the people who run our cities and states and country. Through Jesus we receive the blessing of being in eternal relationship with God. God wants to be our friend always!

Using Legos, each person can count the holes on top thanking God for one person/situation/place/item per hole. Then as a family stack your Legos together and say a short prayer as a family together:

"Thank you, Lord, for all the blessings you have given to us."

CONFESSION

We have all fallen short, made mistakes, hurt others, and been forgetful of our blessings. God knows this. God wants us to draw near and come close even if we

have done something wrong or unkind. Using playdough ask God for forgiveness while molding the clay in your hands. Whatever you have done, smash it, squish it, bend it break it. Is it still here? It can still be made into something beautiful and useful. Make something beautiful for God and pray for God's forgiveness and rejoice in the fact that through Christ, God is making all things new!

MATTHEW 6:14-15

Read this Scripture together: *"For if you forgive others their sins, your heavenly Father will also forgive you; but if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your sins."*

ELECTION

On election day, adults vote for the people who will be in charge of making decisions for our cities and states and country. Pray for all the leaders you can think of - from teachers and coaches to presidents. Ask God to bless and help our leaders by praying this prayer:

*Dear God,
Bless our leaders today. Please help them in every way. Please guide them in what they say and do. Amen.*

LOVE AND ADORATION

God created all the good things. The water we drink, the food we eat, the people we love. God is love. God also created all things to show power, creativity, and love. God even uses us through the Holy Spirit to share his love around the world! God wants us to use our gifts to share his love and the story of his son Jesus with others.

Think of someone who is not with you, it could be a friend, a neighbor, a teacher, a coach, or someone you see and do not know that well (person who brings the mail, a store clerk, or person who you see who is asking for help on the street corner) fill their name or how you know them in these blanks: *"For God so loved _____ that he gave his only Son, so that if _____ believes in him, _____ may not perish but may have eternal life."* **John 3:16**

You may use these papers and markers to make a card, a poem, a picture, or to write a reminder to use your other gifts (cooking, music, caring for people and animals) to share the love of God with others. God loves you and he gave you such wonderful gifts!