



Community Church of Douglas

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Person to person communication is an essential component of every relationship. And yet, there are thousands - may tens of thousands - of people who believe there is a God yet never for rarely have personal communication with Him.

Have you ever wanted to talk to God, but felt unsure of how to start? Many people long for a deeper connection with the God, but don't know the first step to take. Our summer sermon series, "Try Praying", is an invitation to do just that - to try praying and see what happens.

The foundation for this series will be the Lord's Prayer, perhaps the most well-known prayer in all of Christianity. In this simple but profound model for prayer, Jesus shows us how to approach God the Father and open up a conversation. From acknowledging God's greatness to asking for our daily needs, the Lord's Prayer covers the essential elements of meaningful prayer.

Too often, prayer can seem daunting or out of reach. We may feel unworthy, unsure of the "right" words to say, or worried that God isn't really listening. But the beauty of the Lord's Prayer is that it gives us a template to follow - a way to begin talking to our loving Heavenly Father without overthinking it.

Over the summer weeks, we'll unpack each section of the Lord's Prayer and discover how it can transform our prayer lives. We'll learn to worship God, seek His will, ask for His provision, and rely on His forgiveness. And as we practice these timeless principles of prayer, our hope is that you'll be surprised by the deep, lasting relationship with God that begins to take root. We'll follow an helpful prayer pattern: P.R.A.Y.S

- PRAISE:** God is worthy to be praised. Prayers of praise involve thanking God for who he is and what he's done.
- REPENT:** Repentance is the act of turning toward God and turning away from sin. We acknowledge how we have lived contrary to the way of God. Turning to him, we find healing, forgiveness of sins and transformation.
- ASK:** God, Our Father, wants us to bring our requests to Him and to trust that He will answer. When we ask God for help in our prayers, we reveal our dependence on Him and our faith in His ability to provide for our needs.
- YIELD:** Jesus is King, and we are called to surrender our will to his will. Yielding our will is an opportunity to recognize that Jesus is in control and that we can trust him to guide us. The Spirit helps us in our weaknesses.
- SPRITIUAL WARFARE:** Our struggle is not against flesh and blood but against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. The good news is that on cross Jesus defeated the enemy. Because of this we have authority.

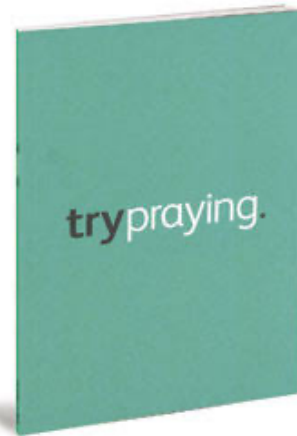
So we invite you - be bold and "try praying." Don't worry about getting it perfect. Simply come to God with an open heart, following the pattern Jesus provided. You may just find that talking to Him becomes the most meaningful conversation you'll ever have.

The trypraying. Booklet

The trypraying. booklet is a 7 day prayer guide for those who are not religious. It's been used by hundreds of thousands of people. It is often read and then passed on to friends, colleagues and neighbours. Get one for yourself and then pass it on to others.

Use it yourself, then pass it on to someone. Who knows how the Holy Spirit will use this simple book to reach someone and change thier life.

Do it together as a family - at home or on vacation. There is a version for younger children and older students.



Catch the Wave 40 Day Prayer Campaign



Can you sense that God is doing something unique in an through our church? Join us for a 40 day prayer/devotional campaign.

Catching the Wave is a 40-day prayer guide encouraging us to pray for our own big issue, three friends to become Christians, and for revival in the nation. It works through different weekly themes and gives ideas for prayer for six days with a break on Sunday.

We will see God bring renewa, revival, and salvation to our own lives, our church, and our neighborhoods.

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Summer Sermon Series 2024

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The Prayers of the Bible.

June - August 2024

Date	Text	Sermon Title	Themes
June 2, 2024 P. Brandon	Luke 11:1	Try Praying	Prayer, conversation with God, imitating Jesus, Holy Spirit intercession
June 9, 2024 P. Brandon	Matthew 6:9-13	Our Father	Father Heart of God, Provision, Protection, Abba, Children of God
June 16, 2024 P. Mike	Matthew 6:9-13	Holy Is Your Name	
June 23, 2024 P. Brandon	Matthew 6:9-13	Let Your Kingdom Come	Kingdom of God, Now and Not Yet, Naturally Supernatural living
June 30, 2024 P. Brandon Outdoors (musical guest)	Matthew 6:9-13	Heaven to Earth	God's plan of Redemption, Living from Heaven to Earth
July 7, 2024 P. Mike	Matthew 6:9-13	Daily Bread	
July 14, 2024 P. Mike	Matthew 6:9-13	Forgive & Forgiven	

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July 21, 2024 P. Brandon	Matthew 6:9-13	Warfare	Spiritual Warfare, The Battle is already won, authority in Christ, freedom from sin
July 28, 2024 P. Brandon Outdoors (musical guest)	Psalm 13	God, help me!	God's help, protection, God's faithfulness
August 4, 2024 P. Brandon	Psalm 130	Just Say It!	Confession, repentance, freedom and forgiveness
August 11, 2024 P. Mike	Psalm 98	Allelujah!	
August 18, 2024	SERVE SUNDAY!		
August 25, 2024 P. Brandon	Matthew 3:11-17	Beloved.	Baptism, re-brith, Father, Son, and Spirit, Children of God
September 1, 2024 P. Brandon (Labor Day Weekend)			